



2021 Architectural Excellence Design & COTE Awards

CALL FOR SUBMISSIONS

Each year, AIA Pennsylvania celebrates the great work that Pennsylvania's architects are doing to affect positive social, environmental, and economic outcomes for their clients and communities. The AIA Pennsylvania Architectural Excellence Design Awards celebrate the exemplary design achievements of members and the impact of architecture regardless of budget, size, style, or type. Projects selected for COTE honors will have exhibited excellence in the AIA Framework for Design Excellence measures that indicate how buildings perform for the health and wellness of the occupants, communities, and the environment they serve.

All entries will be featured in the 2021 Architectural Excellence Design & COTE Award Submissions Gallery. Finalists will be tagged in the submissions gallery and featured in the Year in Review & Architectural Excellence Showcase publication.

Recipients will be recognized in the recipients' gallery housed on aiapa.org, in a nationally distributed press release recapping the awards broadcast highlights, local market press releases, and in the Year in Review & Architectural Excellence Showcase publication.

The 2021 AIA Pennsylvania Architectural Excellence Design & COTE Awards program is accepting eligible project submissions through 11:59 pm Thursday, September 9, 2021.

The 2021 Architectural Excellence Design & COTE Awards will be celebrated during the 2021 Architectural Excellence Awards Broadcast on Thursday, November 18, 2021.

ELIGIBILITY

A project, located in any geographical location, may be submitted to the AIA Pennsylvania Architectural Excellence Design Awards program provided it adheres to the following criteria:

1. The project's "Architect of Record"* is a current member of AIA Pennsylvania or;
2. the architecture firm recorded as the project's "Architect of Record" has at least one principal owner that is a current AIA Pennsylvania architect member and the respective firm can demonstrate substantial design authorship of the project;
3. in the case of multi-office firms, eligible projects are limited to work done primarily by the Pennsylvania based firm, and;
4. all eligible projects must have been completed (occupied) or commissioned (unbuilt category) within the last five (5) years.

* The AIA National Ethics Council typically views the Architect of Record as the legal entity that has contracted for and completed the work in question. It can be a corporation, partnership or an individual architect.

ENTRY FEES

The cost per design awards project entry for 2021 is \$225. Projects entered in the Design Awards program are eligible to compete in the 2021 Architectural Excellence COTE Awards program at no additional fee.

JURORS

The jury evaluates all entries based on how projects have met their respective program requirements with consideration of design achievement and impact regardless of budget, size, style, or type.

In 2021, the jurors are based in New York City and have been confirmed to include:

Kim Yao, AIA | Principal, Architecture Research Office

Mark Gardner, AIA, NOMA | Principal, Jaklitsch/Gardner Architects

Elaine Molinar, AIA | Partner and Managing Director, Snøhetta

This year's COTE Awards jury will be made up of a panel of AIA COTE (Committee on the Environment) peer experts from New York City.

PROJECT CATEGORIES

Projects may only be submitted in one Architectural Excellence Design Awards category. Please use your discretion to submit the project in the category that you feel best represents the project. The jury has the discretion to recategorize projects if they deem the project more worthy of assessment or recognition in another category.

ARCHITECTURE

Built projects including new buildings of all types including additions and alterations to existing buildings including but not limited to commercial, institutional, mixed-use, multi-family, and educational projects.

IMPACT DESIGN

Projects that exemplify the power of design to create a better world. Impact Design Projects will be evaluated for their service to the public good, especially in disadvantaged communities. Examples include initiatives and products specifically designed to positively impact the social, environmental and economic fabric of communities.

INTERIOR ARCHITECTURE

Interiors, large or small in scope, and may involve new construction, renovation, and preservation or restoration projects.

PRESERVATION ARCHITECTURE

Projects including historic preservation, historic restoration, historic rehabilitation, reconstruction, and adaptive reuse.

REGIONAL AND URBAN DESIGN

Recognizes the best in urban design, regional and city planning, and community development.

SINGLE FAMILY RESIDENTIAL DESIGN

Single-family residences, accessory buildings or Accessory Dwelling Unit (ADUs), and additions.

SMALL PROJECT

Project submissions in the small projects category are limited to small firms of nine (9) or fewer full-time or full-time equivalent employees at the time of the project's completion.*

Additionally, projects must meet the following criteria:

- Small project construction up to \$1.5 million in construction cost and/or
- Small project construction, object, work of environmental art or architectural design under 5,000 square feet

*If your firm does not fit the small firm criteria for this category, please consider entering it in the Architecture, Impact Design, or Residential project categories.

UN-BUILT

Projects yet to be realized or canceled. A client must have commissioned these projects within the last five years.

ARCHITECTURAL EXCELLENCE COTE AWARDS

COTE AWARDS ELIGIBILITY

In order to be eligible for this year's Architectural Excellence COTE Awards, a project(s) must meet the eligibility criteria for the 2021 Architectural Excellence Design Awards and must be submitted to the 2021 Architectural Excellence Design Awards program in one of the following categories: Architecture, Impact Design, Interior Architecture, Preservation Architecture, Regional and Urban Design, Single Family Residential, Small Project, or Un-Built. Projects will now have two opportunities for recognition – a Design Award and a COTE award.

With this eligibility requirement, AIA Pennsylvania aims to emphasize that the highest standards of design excellence go beyond aesthetics and programming to include building performance measures that indicate community connection, resilience, and stewardship of the natural environment.

COTE AWARDS OPT-IN PROCESS

If you intend to submit your project to the Architectural Excellence COTE Awards, you must opt to do so simultaneously with your submission to the Architectural Excellence Design Awards. Complete the fields on the “Submitter Information” page and advance to the “Project Information” page where you will be prompted to select a dropdown item under the “Award Program and Project Category Selection” field.

Please select the “2021 Architectural Excellence DESIGN AWARDS” program and project category in the next dropdown field. There will be a link that appears under the project category description that reads “Add Another Award Program and Project Category Selection.” Please select the “2021 Architectural Excellence COTE AWARDS” dropdown and proceed with the submission.

SUBMITTER & PROJECT INFORMATION

After creating an account and logging in, you may view the entire submission site, and save your submission as you work to complete it. You may log back in at any time to finalize your submission before the submission cutoff date. You will not be asked to process payment until your submission is complete.

Please note; all submission materials must be blind including file names for jury review material uploads. Please double-check your materials. Submissions whose materials indicate a firm affiliation will be disqualified.

Preview the required and optional fields for the submitter information, project information, and project images in the table below. Asterisks in the table below denote a required field.

SUBMITTER INFORMATION	
Submitter Contact	The submitter contact will be the primary contact for questions about the project submission. This contact also linked to this submission site's user profile to allow for starting, pausing, and saving the submission as the applicant works to complete it.
	If you participated in the 2020 Architectural Excellence Design, COTE, or Special Awards, the account you created is still on file and retains your previous submissions/nominations. If you cannot recall your password, there is a self-service “lost password” feature in the submission/nomination portal. If you cannot recall which e-mail address you used to register an account and manage your submissions/nominations last year, please reach out to Olivia at operry@aiapa.org or 717.265.3443.
	A “manage collaborators” button is located in the top left corner of the submission site. The primary submitter may add collaborators to view and edit an application. Only one user can edit a submission at a time. The primary submitter can submit or finalize the application.
	First Name*
	Last Name*

	Firm Name*
	Title*
	Phone #*
	Email Address*
PROJECT INFORMATION	
PLEASE NOTE	<p>If you intend to submit your project to the Architectural Excellence COTE Awards, you must opt to do so simultaneously with your submission to the Architectural Excellence Design Awards.</p> <p>From the dropdown in the field below, please select the “2021 Architectural Excellence DESIGN AWARDS” program and project category in the sub-dropdown field. After you have selected the project's design awards category, a link in blue text will appear under the project category description that reads “Add Another Award Program and Project Category Selection.” Please select the “2021 Architectural Excellence COTE AWARDS” dropdown and proceed with the submission.</p>
Award Program and Project Category Selection*	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ 2021 Architectural Excellence DESIGN AWARDS <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Select project category: Architecture, Impact Design, Interior Architecture, Preservation Architecture, Regional and Urban Design, Single Family Residential, Small Project, or Un-built ○ 2021 Architectural Excellence COTE AWARDS (OPTIONAL)
Project Title*	This is the name that will be included in all publications should this project be an award recipient. Project titles that credit a firm/architect will be disqualified.
Project Stats / Project Location*	Street Address Line 2 City Country State Zip
Project Stats / Conditioned Project Area*	What is the gross conditioned floor area (sq. ft.) of the project? (express as sq. ft. in number only)
Project Stats / Project Size Range*	Select the projects' size category based on the conditioned project area entered above. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Small (< 5,000 sq. ft) ○ Medium (5,000 – 50,000 sq. ft) ○ Large (> 50,000 sq. ft) ○ N/A - Regional and Urban Design
Project Stats / Unconditioned Project Area*	What is the gross unconditioned floor area (sq. ft.) of the project? (express as sq. ft. in number only)
Project Stats / Total Project Area*	What is the total area (sq. ft.) of the project? (express as sq. ft. in number only)

Project Stats / Number of Stories*	
Project Stats / Total Site Area*	What is the total site area (sq. ft.) of the project? (express as sq. ft. in number only)
Project Stats / Project Budget	Enter in numerical dollar format. \$1.5 million should be expressed as \$1,500,000. This field is required if the project is being entered in the "Small Project" category.
Project Stats / Completion Date*	For the Un-Built category, please indicate the date of project commission.
Project Stats / What is the primary use/type of the project?*	Bank/Financial Institution Courtthouse Data Center Education - College/University (campus-level) Education - General Education - K-12 School Food Sales - Convenience Store (w/ or w/out gas station) Food Sales - General Food Sales - Supermarket/Grocery Food Service - Fast Food Food Service - General Food Service - Restaurant/Cafeteria Health Care - Clinic Health Care - Hospital Inpatient Health Care - Medical Office Health Care - Nursing/Assisted Living Health Care - Outpatient - General Laboratory - recommend use of Labs21 Lodging - General Lodging - Hotel/Motel Lodging - Residence Hall/Dormitory Mixed-Use Office - Small (< 10,000 sf) Office - Medium (< 100,000 sf) Office - Large Other Parking Public Assembly - Entertainment/Culture Public Assembly - General Public Assembly - Library Public Assembly - Recreation Public Assembly - Social/Meeting Public Safety - Fire/Police Station Public Safety - General Religious Worship Residential - Mobile Homes Residential - Multi-Family, 2 to 4 units Residential - Multi-Family, 5 or more units Residential - Single-Family Attached

	Residential - Single-Family Detached Residential - Mid-Rise/HIgh-Rise Retail - Mall Retail - Non-mall, Vehicle Dealerships, misc. Retail Store Service (vehicle repair/service, postal service) Storage - Distribution/Shipping Center Storage - General Storage - Non-refrigerated warehouse Storage - Refrigerated warehouse Warehouse - Self-storage
Project Stats / Which of the following best describes your project site?*	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Brownfield ○ Not previously developed ○ Previously developed
Project Narratives / Project Overview *	Please describe the project emphasizing where applicable, elements of design achievement including project intentions and programming requirements. It is recommended that the main points of this overview be reflected on Digital Project Binder's (PDF) Project Information Page, a narrative summary of the project and the inspiration/intent behind the project. All projects' overview copy will be featured in the submissions gallery. Word Limit: 350
Project Narratives / Project Synopsis *	Please condense your project overview to a synopsis not to exceed 70 words. Recipients' and finalists' synopsis will be featured in the year in review publication. Recipients' synopsis will be pulled for the broadcast production voiceover. Word Limit: 70
Project Narratives / Project Background & Impact*	Provide a summary of how the project came to be including the client's perspective from the start and what impact the project has made on the clients and/or the community. It is recommended that the highlights of this narrative be reflected in Digital Project Binder's (PDF) Project Information Page, a narrative summary of the project and the inspiration/intent behind the project. Word Limit: 350
PROJECT TEAM & COLLABORATOR INFORMATION	
Submitting Architect	Submitting Architect Identification Please identify the "submitting architect." The identified contact must fit either of the following criteria to be eligible for submission.

	<p>The submitting architect must be the project's "Architect of Record" * and a current member of AIA Pennsylvania</p> <p>OR</p> <p>Must be a principal owner in the architecture firm recorded as the project's "Architect of Record" and a current member of AIA Pennsylvania. The respective firm should be able to demonstrate substantial design authorship of the project.</p> <p>In the case of multi-office firms with Pennsylvania locations, eligible projects are limited to work done primarily by the Pennsylvania based firm.</p> <p><u>Please note</u> The submitting architect will be the contact on file to be notified of submission status.</p> <p>* The AIA National Ethics Council typically views the Architect of Record as the legal entity that has contracted for and completed the work in question. It can be a corporation, partnership or an individual architect.</p>
Submitting Architect / Submitting Architect Status*	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Project's "Architect of Record" o Principal Owner in Architecture Firm recorded as the project's "Architect of Record"
Submitting Architect / Submitting Architect First Name*	
Submitting Architect / Submitting Architect Last Name*	
Submitting Architect / Submitting Architect Title*	
Submitting Architect / Submitting Architect Firm*	
Submitting Architect / Submitting Architect Email Address*	
Submitting Architect / Submitting Architect Phone #*	
Submitting Architect / Submitting Architect Address*	<p>Street Address</p> <p>Line 2</p> <p>City</p>

	Country State Zip
Submitting Architect AIA Member ID#*	
Submitting Architect Local AIA PA Chapter*	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ AIA Bucks County ○ AIA Central Pennsylvania ○ AIA Eastern Pennsylvania ○ AIA Middle Pennsylvania ○ AIA Northeastern Pennsylvania ○ AIA Northwestern Pennsylvania ○ AIA Philadelphia ○ AIA Pittsburgh
Submitting Firm Information	All demographic counts provided are confidential, and only used for statistical purposes.
Submitting Firm Architecture Staff	Please input the # of architecture staff currently employed by the submitting firm. Please include all principals/partners, licensed architects, emerging professionals pursuing licensure, and non-licensed architecture staff not on the licensure path.
Submitting Firm Other Staff	Please input the # of other staff currently employed by the submitting firm. 0 is acceptable here.
Please indicate the categorical size of the submitting firm.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Small (1-9 employees/total staff) ○ Midsize (10-49 employees/total staff) ○ Large (50+ employees/total staff)
Firm Marketing Contact	
Firm Marketing Contact First Name	
Firm Marketing Contact Last Name	
Firm Marketing Contact Title	
Firm Marketing Contact Email Address	
Firm Marketing Contact Phone #	
Project Team and Credits*	<p>Please identify all firms involved in the project.</p> <p>The submitting architect must accurately and completely list all other parties (firms) including, but not limited to other Architects, Engineers, Interior Designers, Landscape Architects, Planners, and Programmers who were part of the project team, as well as the developer and Client/Owner (which may be an individual).</p> <p>In the event a project receives recognition, AIA Pennsylvania may contact collaborators to solicit support for the project's honor.</p>
Project Team and Credits / Type of Service*	Please note the type of service or project partner i.e. Associate Architect, Consultant, Engineer - Civil, Engineer - MEP, Engineer - Structural, General Contractor, Landscape Architect, etc.

	MAX 20 PROJECT PARTNERS MAY BE LISTED
Project Team and Credits / Firm/Company Name*	
Project Team and Credits / Contact First Name*	
Project Team and Credits / Contact Last Name*	
Project Team and Credits / Contact Title*	
Project Team and Credits / Contact Email*	
Project Team and Credits / Contact Phone	
Client/Owner Information	
Would the client/owner like to remain anonymous?*	<input type="radio"/> No, the client/owner information may be made be published <input type="radio"/> Yes, the client/owner information is CONFIDENTIAL - NOT FOR PUBLICATION
Client/ Owner Company/Organization*	
Client/ Owner Contact First Name	
Client/ Owner Contact Last Name	
Client/ Owner Contact Email	
PROJECT PHOTOS & ARCHITECTURAL PLANS	
Project Photographs	<p>Four (4) photographs of each project or digital renderings for unbuilt project categories are required. These photos/renderings will be used for digital promotion and the awards celebration. Entrants are encouraged to include these photos/renderings in the required DIGITAL PROJECT BINDER (PDF).</p> <p>Please indicate the priority of photos in each file name and by priority upload designated here; 1 being the preferred photo, 2 the next, etc. (for example DoeResidence_1). Photo #1 will be the default first choice used in all AIA publications, promotions, etc.</p> <p>The project image file uploads must be blind including file names and captions. Credits should/may reveal the firm or photographer.</p> <p>Images of each winning project will be used for unrestricted publicity by AIA Pennsylvania.</p>
Photo #1 Upload/Caption*	<p>Acceptable upload formats include jpg, jpeg, png Max 25 MB upload file size Caption field should not include credit.</p>
Photo #1 Credit*	

Photo #2 Upload/Caption*	Acceptable upload formats include jpg, jpeg, png Max 25 MB upload file size Caption field should not include credit.
Photo #2 Credit*	
Photo #3 Upload/Caption*	Acceptable upload formats include jpg, jpeg, png Max 25 MB upload file size Caption field should not include credit.
Photo #3 Credit*	
Photo #4 Upload/Caption*	Acceptable upload formats include jpg, jpeg, png Max 25 MB upload file size Caption field should not include credit.
Photo #4 Credit*	
Supplemental Project Photos	<p>A maximum of five (5) supplemental photos/renderings may be uploaded.</p> <p>Entrants are encouraged to include these photos/renderings in the required DIGITAL PROJECT BINDER (PDF).</p> <p>These photos/renderings may be included in the winning projects' features during the awards celebration/broadcast.</p> <p>Please indicate the priority order of review of supplemental photos/renderings in each file name as uploaded by field #; 1 being the preferred photo etc. (for example DoeResidence_supp_1).</p>
Supplemental Photo Upload/Caption #1	Acceptable upload formats include jpg, jpeg, png Max 25 MB upload file size. Caption field should not include credit.
Supplemental Photo Credit #1	
Supplemental Photo Upload/Caption #2	
Supplemental Photo Credit #2	
Supplemental Photo Upload/Caption #3	
Supplemental Photo Credit #3	
Supplemental Photo Upload/Caption #4	
Supplemental Photo Credit #4	
Supplemental Photo Upload/Caption #5	
Supplemental Photo Credit #5	
Architectural Plans*	A site plan and floor plan are required uploads. Please mark off the north arrow and provide a key.

<p>Acceptable upload formats include jpg, jpeg, png</p> <p>Max 25 MB upload file size.</p> <p>Caption field should not include credit.</p>	
<p>Floor Plan Upload*</p>	<p>Upload the project's floor plan(s) in one image file (jpg,jpeg,png). Floor plans are not required for projects entered in the "Regional & Urban Design" category.</p> <p>Entrants are encouraged to include the floorplan in the required DIGITAL PROJECT BINDER (PDF).</p> <p>File name should be formatted as "projectname_floorplan"</p>
<p>Site Plan Upload*</p>	<p>Upload the project's site plan in one image file (jpg,jpeg,png).</p> <p>Entrants are encouraged to include the siteplan in the required DIGITAL PROJECT BINDER (PDF).</p> <p>File name should be formatted as "projectname_siteplan"</p>
<p>Supplemental Architectural Plans</p>	<p>A maximum of four (4) supplemental plans may be uploaded.</p> <p>Entrants are encouraged to include these plans in the required DIGITAL PROJECT BINDER (PDF). These plans may be included in the winning projects' features during the awards celebration/broadcast.</p> <p>Please indicate the priority order of review of supplemental plans in each file name as uploaded by field #; 1 being the preferred plan etc. (for example DoeResidence_supp-plan_1).</p> <p>Supplemental conceptual diagrams, elevations, floor plans, sections, and site plans (including North arrow) that enhance the understanding of the project are encouraged. These illustrative supporting uploads may be grouped on one canvas to convey an achievement/concept. Also encouraged are concept sketches that communicate the development of the project and or its method of construction.</p>
<p>Supplemental Plan Upload/Caption #1</p>	<p>Acceptable upload formats include jpg, jpeg, png</p> <p>Max 25 MB upload file size.</p> <p>Caption field should not include credit.</p>
<p>Supplemental Plan Upload/Caption #2</p>	
<p>Supplemental Plan Upload/Caption #3</p>	
<p>Supplemental Plan Upload/Caption #4</p>	

JURY REVIEW MATERIALS | COTE AWARDS

The goal of the opt-in COTE Awards program is to recognize projects that demonstrate aesthetic excellence, programmatic appeal and quantitative and qualitative sustainability measures. Your design awards “Digital Project Binder” submission should reflect these achievements.

In addition to your Architectural Excellence Design Awards submission materials, the jury will review the following required an assessment spreadsheet developed for the Architectural Excellence COTE Awards located on the “Jury Review Materials | COTE AWARDS” page of the submission form.

Please take note; all submission materials must be blind including file names for file uploads. Double-check your materials. Submissions whose materials indicate a firm affiliation will be disqualified.

Preview the required fields for entry in the table below. Asterisks in the table below denote a required field.

Jury Review Materials COTE AWARDS	
AIA Framework for Design Excellence Assessment*	<p>DOWNLOAD the Framework for Design Excellence Assessment* (identical to the AIA Philadelphia Awards assessment), fill in spreadsheet cell fields according to the instructions specified on the sheet, proceed to save and save/print as a .PDF in order to upload your completed assessment in the required .PDF format to the file upload field below. The file name should follow the naming convention, "Project Title_2021COTE."</p> <p>This self-calculating assessment spreadsheet is based on AIA's Framework for Design Excellence measures generating scores for each of the 10 measures upon completion. It is intended to be used as a comparative tool, so applicants can identify measures within the framework that demonstrate project highlights and strengths, at the same time identifying opportunities for growth and improvement in other measures.</p> <p>*Assessment download will be prompted once the link is clicked. The download will not load in the Safari browser. Please open the link to proceed with download in Chrome, Edge, or Firefox browser.</p>
AIA Framework for Design Excellence Assessment Upload*	.PDF is the only acceptable upload format Max 25 MB upload file size

JURY REVIEW MATERIALS | DESIGN AWARDS

Preview the required and optional fields for the jury review material upload fields as they will appear in the submission site. Asterisks in the table below denote a required field that will appear within the submission site.

JURY REVIEW MATERIALS DESIGN AWARDS	
Digital Project Binder	<p>The Digital Project Binder (PDF) must include a minimum of nine (9) pages and a maximum of twenty (20) pages (8.5 x 11; landscape orientation) at 25 MB max. Entries in the "Small Project" category are the exception and may include a minimum of (5) pages.</p> <p>The first page of the binder must identify the project by name. The first or second page of the binder must include the "Project Information Page." The Project Information Page is defined as a one (1) page narrative summary of the project and the inspiration behind the project. The project narrative highlights from the "Project Information" portion of this submission may be repeated on the "Project Information Page."</p> <p>You are encouraged to include repeats of any of the photos/rendering or architectural plans uploaded to the "Project Photos & Architectural Plans" portion of the submission. The remaining pages of the binder may include any combination of text and images that best illustrates the project's story and accomplishments.</p> <p>When possible for built category entries, images should include the building in use and the following in any order to best tell the jury the project's complete story:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ preservation/restoration projects (if applicable) should provide the jury with sufficient information to differentiate between the original architects' work and the newly altered, preserved, or restored work ○ one image showing each exposed side of the building or environment ○ one additional image showing the context of each exposed side of the building (may be omitted if the project's relationship to its context is defined clearly in other prints) ○ for a group of buildings, one image of the project is sufficient to illustrate the complete project, including its relationship to its environs ○ for projects involving exterior alterations, one image of each altered, exposed side together with one image of the same side before alteration (unless evidence is submitted on the unavailability of the latter) ○ at least one interior image for each major functional space

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ conceptual diagrams, elevations, floor plans, sections, and site plan (including North arrow) <p>Please note these suggestions are intended to provide guidance and best practice but are not a rigid requirement.</p> <p>All submission materials must be blind including file names for all file uploads. Double-check your Digital Project Binder (PDF). Submissions whose materials indicate a firm affiliation will be disqualified.</p> <p>COTE Awards Participants</p> <p>If you intend to submit your project to the Architectural Excellence COTE Awards, your design awards “Digital Project Binder” submission should reflect achievements in the applicable measure(s) of the AIA’s Framework for Design Excellence. Review the 2021 Architectural Excellence COTE Awards Call for Submissions for more details.</p> <p>If the project is being entered in the opt-in COTE Awards program, please add the framework assessment completed and uploaded for the COTE Awards program on the previous form as the final pages to the uploaded Digital Project Binder (PDF). This will give the Design Awards jury the opportunity to review the additional information and framework context for the project. The assessment pages do not count towards the maximum page count.</p>
Digital Project Binder Upload*	.PDF is the only acceptable upload format Max 25 MB upload file size
Audio Project Narrative	Here is your chance to pitch your project to the jury! Project entries may include a narrative summary mp3 or mp4 audio file no more than 60 seconds long. This audio file will be played as the jury reviews your PDF binder and project images. Please be conscious of audio quality.
Audio Project Narrative Upload	Acceptable upload formats mp3, mp4 Max 25 MB upload file size

ACCURACY & LIABILITY AGREEMENT

Please be sure that all information is correct on all submitted materials. Verification of information is not guaranteed. Any errors or omissions are the responsibility of the entrant. The submitting firm may be required to indicate the substantial nature of their design role on project and identify and describe respective design contributions by other architectural firm(s) involved on project. Preview the agreement checkoff required in the submission site to complete the submission below.

LIABILITY AGREEMENT	
Liability Agreement	AIA Pennsylvania assumes no liability for submission materials or loss or damage to any part of the submission. AIA Pennsylvania retains the right to reproduce any of the submission materials in its publications, educational programs, and website.

	<p>Please check all information for correct spelling and accuracy since it will be used for publication. By making a submission, the entrant agrees that the information contained in this form is correct and complete, and that the entrant will hold harmless AIA Pennsylvania for any and all damage arising out of the use of the information contained herein. Any errors or omissions are the complete responsibility of the entrant.</p> <p>The entrant further certifies that permission has been obtained from the owner, developer, and photographer of the project to publish photographs, images, drawings, and other information included in the submission (and releases and authorizes AIA Pennsylvania to use all such materials).</p>
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DESIGN AWARD HONORS

The jury will have sole discretion to determine whether to select a recipient for an award and how many awards to present. All projects that reach the final round of jurying will be considered for the following awards.

SILVER MEDAL

May be granted, at the jury's discretion to the project that distinguishes itself from the rest of the submissions representing the highest level of achievement.

HONOR AWARD

May be granted, at the jury's discretion to projects that exemplify distinguished achievement in any category.

MERIT AWARD

May be granted, at the jury's discretion to any project that either lies outside of the other categories or bears an exceptional aspect that the jury feels represents excellence which deserves recognition.

COTE AWARD HONORS

The jury will have sole discretion to determine whether to select a recipient for an award and how many awards to present. All projects that reach the final round of jurying will be considered for the following awards.

COTE AWARD OF EXCELLENCE

Jurors may select one entry among the COTE submissions that demonstrates excellence across all measures of the AIA Framework for Design Excellence.

COTE CITATION

Represents achievement in one or more AIA Framework for Design Excellence measures.

QUESTIONS

Email or call Olivia at operry@aiapa.org or 717.265.3443