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## **The Minnesota Architectural Foundation Announces Winner of 2010 Ralph Rapson Traveling Study Fellowship**

*Minneapolis, Minnesota* – The Minnesota Architectural Foundation is pleased to announce Laura Cayere-King, Assoc. AIA, as the winner of the 2010 Ralph Rapson Traveling Study Fellowship. The purpose of the competition is to provide young architects the opportunity to advance their education in architecture by pursuing foreign or domestic travel-study. To assist in their education, \$10,000 is awarded to the winner.

This year's program, held March 4-9, 2010, was to design a Ralph Rapson Center for Twentieth-Century Design and Architecture, located at the University of Minnesota Twin Cities Campus. The intent of the competition is not to build the winning design, but to see how the competition entrants approach and think about complex programs, ultimately resolving challenging problems through a clear and thoughtful design.

The first jury chose four finalists from among the 44 entrants including: Andrew Campbell, Associate AIA, SMS Builders, Inc., Minneapolis, MN; Laura Cayere-King, Associate AIA, Albertsson Hansen Architecture, Ltd, Minneapolis, MN; Steven Dwyer, AIA, Hammel Green and Abrahamson, Inc., Minneapolis, MN; and James Howarth, AIA, Perkins+Will, Minneapolis, MN. The jury members were Peter Goelzer, Nathan Knutson, AIA, Ellen Luken, AIA and Joan MacLeod, ASLA. Each of the four finalists presented their design schemes to the jury.

Laura, this year's competition winner, graduated from the University of Minnesota with a Masters in Architecture in 2000 and currently is an Associate at Albertsson Hansen Architecture, Ltd. She has plans to travel to Germany to study passive solar housing and energy efficient building technology.

All of the submissions will be displayed at the 76<sup>th</sup> Annual AIA Minnesota Convention and Products Exposition November 2-5, 2010, at the Minneapolis Convention Center.

Generous financial support helps to make this program possible. If you would like to make a donation to the Ralph Rapson Traveling Study Fellowship Fund please visit the Minnesota Architectural Foundation's web page at <http://www.aia-mn.org/foundation>

The competition is open to individuals under the age of forty-one who are AIA members; and have either graduated from the University of Minnesota College of Architecture and worked anywhere for at least one year; or graduated from any accredited architectural school and have worked in Minnesota for at least one year.

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