



2017 Architect of Distinction

An AIA Minnesota & Midwest Home Award
DEADLINE: Monday, February 6, 2017, by 5 p.m. CDT

Each year AIA Minnesota, in partnership with *Midwest Home* magazine, honors one Architect of Distinction in the field of residential architecture.

This award is bestowed upon an architect who has demonstrated a mastery of architecture through design, craft, and materials, and who has made significant contributions to the advancement of residential design.

The award recipient receives a citation and is profiled in an article published in the April/May 2017 issue of *Midwest Home* magazine. In addition, a gift will be made in the name of the recipient to the College of Design at the University of Minnesota to be used for scholarship purposes. The citation is presented during an awards program recognizing the Architect of Distinction and Emerging Talent of the Year award recipients.

PAST AWARD RECIPIENTS

The 2017 Architect of Distinction Award recipient joins an esteemed group of past recipients:

2004 David Salmela, FAIA	2011 Julie Snow, FAIA
2005 Charles Stinson, AIA	2012 Sarah Nettleton, AIA
2006 Kelly Davis, AIA	2013 Rosemary McMonigal, AIA
2007 Tom Meyer, FAIA	2014 Katherine Hillbrand, AIA
2008 Dan Nepp, AIA	2015 Dale Mulfinger, FAIA
2009 Tim Alt, AIA	2016 Mark Larson, AIA
2010 Tom Ellison, AIA	

ENTRY FEE

\$60 per submission. Payment can be made at the conclusion of the submission process by credit card.

ELIGIBILITY

AIA members who are in good standing and have been licensed to practice architecture for at least 15 years by the submission deadline are eligible.

JURY

Chris Lee, editor of *Midwest Home* magazine

Bob Ganser, AIA, MSR Design

Mark Larson, AIA, Rehkamp Larson Architects

Juror to be named from the University of Minnesota College of Design

All submissions will be considered and reviewed via a blind jury process that is monitored by an AIA Minnesota staff member. Each juror's opinions will carry equal weight in the process.



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SUBMISSION DETAILS

New for 2017: All materials must be submitted using [AIA Minnesota's online awards platform](#). The electronic submission process will allow for ease of providing the required materials and a more efficient review process for jurors.

A candidate may self-submit or any current AIA member may nominate another eligible individual.

Each submission must include the following materials:

- Description of the candidate's unique design philosophy and approach to architecture (300 words or less)
- Brief list of candidate's professional and/or personal achievements
- Visual examples of five built, single-family residential projects that illustrate the candidate's design philosophy (up to 10 images per project are allowed, including floor plans; file size limit is 5 MB per image)
- Project descriptions (100 words or less per project)
- Optional: additional documentation that may demonstrate the candidate's qualification to receive the award, such as honors, articles, or letters of recommendation
- Letter of nomination (only for candidates nominated by a colleague or professional peer)

At least one of the submitted projects must have been completed within the last five years (as of January 1, 2017). Candidates must have designed each of the submitted projects as owner or partner of a firm.

All submissions must remain anonymous; no mention of architect's name or firm may appear in images or descriptions. Candidate's name and personal information will not be visible to jurors during the review process.

QUESTIONS

For questions about the submission process or other concerns, contact Angie McKinley, 612-338-6763 or mckinley@aia-mn.org.

ONLINE SUBMISSION LINK

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