

AIA Minnesota Announces Six 2015 AIA Minnesota Special Award Recipients



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(Left top to right bottom: Paul Crosby, Roger Cummings, Doreen Frost, Leon Satkowski, Lorelee Wederstrom, and Stephen Weeks.)

MINNEAPOLIS, MN AIA Minnesota announces **six 2015 AIA Minnesota Special Award recipients: Paul Crosby, Roger Cummings, Doreen Frost, Leon Satkowski, Lorelee Wederstrom, and Stephen Weeks.** *(Biographies on second page.)*

Through its Special Award – AIA Minnesota seeks to encourage, stimulate, and recognize exceptional contributions that improve the quality of our physical environment made by individuals and organizations that operate outside of the architectural profession. Architecture is a collaborative effort that relies on the talents and commitment of many individuals working together to achieve common goals.

Learn more about the award at <http://www.aia-mn.org/get-involved/aia-minnesota-awards/special-awards/>.

This 2015 Special Awards will be given at AIA Minnesota's Awards Dinner on Friday, December 5, at the Minnesota History Center. Learn more about the awards dinner at <http://www.aia-mn.org/get-involved/aia-minnesota-awards/awards-celebration/>.

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The 2015 AIA Minnesota Special Award recipients (*pictured on the first page*) are:

Paul Crosby, an **architectural photographer**, realized the opportunity to make photography a career while he was a student at the Minneapolis College of Art and Design and Brooks Institute in Santa Barbara. After years as a commercial studio photographer, he opted to close his studio to pursue his lifelong interest in the built environment and architectural photography. <http://www.pcrosby.com/>

Roger Cummings, is **founding principal and artistic director** of Juxtaposition Arts, a nonprofit visual art and cultural center that mentors and works with youth and community members from inner-city Minneapolis. Roger creates public and private murals, customized textiles, as well as carved stone, metal, and mixed-medium relief sculpture. <http://www.juxtaposition.org/>

Doreen Frost, is **executive director** of Minnesota Board of Architecture, Engineering, Land Surveying, Landscape Architecture, Geoscience, and Interior Design (AELSLAGID), and serves as executive director of the Minnesota Board of Accountancy. She is passionate about the value of regulated professions and the enforcement of licensure statutes and rules in the protection of the public welfare. <http://mn.gov/aelslagid/staff.html>

Leon Satkowski, PhD, is a **professor emeritus** in the School of Architecture, University of Minnesota. Trained as both an architect at Cornell and art historian at Harvard, he taught at Syracuse University from 1977 to 1986 and as a visiting professor at Cornell in 1980. He is currently involved in the preparation of a new guide to the architecture and landscapes of Minnesota, under contract with University of Minnesota Press. <http://arch.design.umn.edu/directory/satkowskil/>

Lorelee Wederstrom, has been the **director of facilities and capital planning** for the University of Minnesota's Academic Health Center since 1997. She oversees planning and development of facilities used in the teaching, research, service/outreach, and administrative programs of the AHC - currently some 4.5 million square feet in 59 buildings on three campuses. <http://hub.ahc.umn.edu/facilities/staff>

Stephen Weeks, is a **retired architect and an associate professor emeritus** in the School of Architecture, University of Minnesota. He served as co-department head from 2001 to 2004, as the director of Undergraduate Studies, and at retirement in 2010 had been the director of Graduate Studies for eight years. He continues work for the University producing time-lapse documentation of the construction of three designs as interactive, technology-enhanced, web-learning tools. <http://arch.design.umn.edu/directory/weekss/>

Congratulations to all our 2015 Special Award recipients.

*The American Institute of Architects Minnesota, founded in 1892, is dedicated to strengthening our communities, improving our built environment and providing exceptional design. For more information on the organization and Minnesota architectural firms, reference our Web site at <http://www.aia-mn.org>. Pick up a copy of *Architecture Minnesota*, the award-winning architectural magazine of the Midwest.*