



"**AIA Michigan** is proud to announce its Annual Awards Program to encourage and promote excellence in architecture. Awards will be presented to recognize individual accomplishments and bring to public attention outstanding examples of architectural services rendered by Michigan firms."

"**Masonry Institute of Michigan** is proud to announce its Annual M-Award for Excellence in Masonry Design. Through this program, the MIM seeks to honor works of distinction by members of AIA Michigan and to bring to public attention outstanding buildings and projects designed by AIA Michigan architects."

AIA Michigan Eligibility

- All built entries shall be architectural projects substantially designed by Licensed Architects within the state of Michigan who satisfy section 2010(1) of the state licensing act. Un-built projects and student projects do not need to be completed by a licensed architect.
- The projects may be located anywhere in the world. Projects completed outside of Michigan must be substantially designed, developed and completed by the AIA Michigan firm. All built projects within each category are eligible for consideration for up to five consecutive years from the year of completion. There can be more than winner in each category. Each year the jury changes so we encourage you to submit projects that have not been awarded in the past to resubmit.
- Projects that have won awards in other programs are eligible for submission. Projects that have been submitted in prior years in this program are eligible. Prior award winners in one category of this program are ineligible for submission in any other categories. When one architect is not the sole author, all other participants substantially contributing to the design of the project must be given credit as part of the submission. Failure to communicate this process and requirements to other associated firms will result in disqualification and there are no refunds. All entries shall be submitted in the manner herein specified by **July 1st (no exceptions)**.
- The AIA Michigan building awards encourages participation in the **AIA 2030 Commitment** is to support the **2030 Challenge** and transform the practice of architecture in a way that is holistic, firm-wide, project based, and data-driven. By prioritizing energy performance, participating firms can more easily work toward carbon neutral buildings, developments, and major renovations by 2030. Joining the 2030 Commitment gives you access to the **Design Data Exchange (DDx)**, a national framework created by AIA with simple metrics and a standardized reporting format for measuring progress. The confidential, easy-to-use DDx lets you pinpoint best practices and anonymously compare project performance in your firm and beyond. The research tool allows you to compare projects of similar type, size, climate, and a host of other attributes across the 2030 portfolio. Through the 2030 Commitment, you can elevate your practice,



save clients' money, and combat the effects of global climate change. Explore the resources and articles below to navigate the program.

Masonry Institute of Michigan Eligibility

- All entries shall be executed architectural projects designed by members of AIA Michigan. The projects must be located in Michigan and must have been completed since **January 1, 2020**.
- Projects which have been entered in other programs are eligible for submission. AIA Michigan Award submission format is accepted. Past award recipients in this program may not be submitted in future years. All other entries may be resubmitted if building completion was prior to the prescribed date of **January 1, 2020**.
- Buildings must use masonry as the primary exterior material and the architect must show masonry was important in the solution of the design problem. Projects will be judged based on the appropriate and innovative use of unit masonry construction as well as excellence in design. Unit masonry includes brick, block, stone, and glass block masonry construction laid in the traditional manner bedded in mortar by masons.

Classifications

The program is open to architectural projects of all classifications, including *renovations, restorations, and interiors*. **It is necessary to designate the entry by category**. Check the appropriate box on the Descriptive Data (visit website to download form).

The Honor Awards committee allows the jury to award a project in another category if they determine it is more appropriate for recognition e.g. a project submitted in a Building Category could be recognized as an Interior Architecture, M-Award, Sheet Metal or Small Project Award.

AIA Michigan & Masonry Institute of Michigan

Building Award An entry may be one building or a related group of buildings including new construction, renovations, and historic preservation projects.

Housing Award

Recognizes residential projects which range in size and purpose with a budget under two million dollars. Temporary, single-family, multifamily, affordable housing, and universal/specialized housing residences are encouraged submission. All projects must demonstrate design excellence via new construction or significant renovations.

Interior Architecture Award

This category is open to an Interior Designer that works with an AIA Architect.

Projects that are submitted for a Building Award during the same year or have previously received an award are not eligible.



Low Budget/Small Project Award

Final construction cost must be submitted. Small projects **must be under 3,500 square feet and up to two million dollars.** (If you have a project that has unique constraints please call the AIA Michigan for clarification.) Submissions must have been executed for a client and may include interior projects.

Sustainability Award

(ALL entries for Building Award, Interior Architecture Award, and Low Budget/Small Project Award will be dually considered by the jury for this category. No additional submission fee required. Include the sustainability narrative in the Honor Awards Descriptive Data.)

Projects will be judged utilizing the adopted **AIA Framework for Design Excellence**, formerly known as the COTE (Committee on the Environment) Top Ten Measures, all with sustainability being on the forefront. As part of the Design Awards project submissions, entrants are required to provide a Sustainability Narrative that explains how the project addresses the ‘Designing for one of the 10 Principles’- Framework for Design Excellence. Project submissions with a focus on Wellness, as well as any additional areas listed in the Framework, will have an opportunity to be selected to receive an exclusive honorary Jurors’ award. Projects entered for the Sustainability Award may fall into any of the available categories listed in the **AIA Framework**. You will receive a PDF form in the awards packet where you will submit your Sustainability Narrative.

Community Impact Through Design Award

(ALL entries for Building Award, Interior Architecture Award, and Low Budget/Small Project Award will be dually considered by the jury for this category. No additional submission fee required. Include impact statement narrative in the Honor Awards Descriptive Data.)

Projects will be judged through the impact making a lasting effect upon bringing together a Michigan community and making its residents stronger.

Evaluation Criteria is based on three categories [entrant’s choice] as outlined in the AIA Framework for Design Excellence. Projects wishing to submit shall demonstrate via a single sheet supplement supporting the submission’s worthiness. Entrants are reminded that the project should engage with the community, show stewardship of place and resources, and finally empower and uplift stakeholders.

Eligibility

All submissions for the AIA Michigan Honor Awards shall be evaluated on the evaluation criteria and considered for eligibility.

1. The format is flexible and is to be determined by the entrant to best communicate how the project embodies the award description and evaluation criteria.
2. Up to 1 additional page may be included with entrant submission to highlight community impact.



Unbuilt Project Award

Projects including those commissioned for compensation or research, design competitions, and non-compensated that are **deemed unbuilt into the future, not merely on hold are eligible for submission.** (Please call the AIA Michigan if you need clarification of a project that you would like to submission)

25 Year Award

For a distinguished project, executed prior to 1998, and **used for at least 25 years for the same purpose for which it was designed.**

Sheet Metal Award

(All entries that use sheet metal and list a union sheet metal contractor in the descriptive data sheet will be considered for the Sheet Metal Award. No additional submission fee required.) This award recognizes design excellence through state-of-the-art climate control/system design, fabrication of duct work, metal architectural roofing, ornamental metal visually/historically (applicable) complimentary and will encompass the sheet metal industry and hires a union sheet metal contractor.

M-Award

This award is given to encourage and recognize excellence in masonry design.

To qualify for entry building must use masonry as the primary exterior material and the architect must show masonry was important in the solution of the design problem. Projects will be judged on the basis of the appropriate and innovative use of unit masonry construction as well as excellence in design.

Submission Requirements & Instructions

AIA MI & MIM Entries in the design award program will be in landscape PDF format and submitted via instructions below. Entrants shall provide **one PDF file per submission.** The first page is to be a title page with the name of the project and the project type. Include a site plan and/or floor plan, and any additional drawings to give the jury a thorough and comprehensive understanding of the entry.

Images - A minimum of eight [8] and maximum of fifteen [15] images included in PDF submission. For preservation/restoration projects, include at least one “before” image. **You cannot use more than one image on a page.**

It is recommended that images are professionally taken. **AIA Michigan & M-Award combined submission entries please include a separate Image folder** that includes **eight [8] images** that clearly show masonry elements and describe the essence and character of the projects. The selection of images shall be comprehensive enough in combination with the information on the Descriptive Data sheet to allow the jury to adequately visualize the design challenge and its solution. If the design solution incorporates masonry as a structural element (i.e. loadbearing, shear wall, lateral load



resistance (out-of-plane), etc.) or elements, it should be stated on the Descriptive Data sheet with cross sections included taking care in masking out company identification. Within the submitted images, the following shall be included: Exterior – in the case of a single building, there shall be a minimum of two [2] images which together show all sides of the building. In the case of a group of buildings, a minimum of one [1] image of the whole group is requested, with necessary supporting images showing the principal buildings in the group. Interior – Minimum of one [1] image showing masonry. In the event masonry is the principal interior material, additional images should be submitted to demonstrate the design. Miscellaneous – All additional images are at the discretion of the submitter. Particularly encouraged are special masonry details and views showing the relationship of the project to its surroundings, before and after views in case of restoration.

Descriptive Data sheet filled out completely and concisely for each submission, with as much information as necessary to explain the solution and to allow the jury to fully comprehend the project. The project description for the **M-Award** shall include an overview and scope of project, and how masonry helped achieve the design objectives both aesthetically and structurally. A description of the wall make-up and whether or not it is load bearing masonry and/or structural masonry should be included in the description.

Five [5] Digital Images name each image with a short title of the project, numbered in the sequence that you would like to see projected, followed by MI23 (i.e., Countryside MI23). Images should not exceed 1024x768 pixel resolution and 96 dots per inch. JPEG (.jpg) format.

Twenty-five Year Award Category Submissions must include 'year built' and current images for comparison by the jury.

For each submission, please include the following in one folder the following items:

Firm name should not be listed anywhere in the presentation.

1. PDF submission file with 20 pages containing images and the submission requirements. **Limited to one image or supporting graphic per page.**
2. 1 (One) Descriptive Data (see webpage for editable PDF)
3. 1 (One) Concealed Identification Form (see webpage for editable PDF)
4. Five [5] Digital images named following the file name protocol for print/publication purposes only.
5. 1 (One) Title Slide (see webpage for editable PDF)
6. Firm Logo identification image in digital format (jpeg or tif preferred).

Visit the AIA Michigan website to upload your presentations: <http://aiami.com/Honor-Awards-Submissions>

All submissions which do not meet these requirements will be returned to the entrant without a refund.



AIA Michigan

2024 BUILDING & M-AWARD SUBMISSION REQUIREMENTS



Only those entries which receive awards will be subsequently presented on 24" square board and .pdf for exhibition. All entries will be kept electronically by AIA Michigan.

Publicity & Ownership

Rights to photos, electronic images and plans must be cleared for publication by the entrant. Entrants are responsible for any royalties or copyright photography fees. The Entrant further agrees that it shall indemnify and hold harmless The American Institute of Architects Michigan, the Masonry Institute of Michigan, and *The Smart Dynamics of Masonry* magazine against all claims or damages arising out of the use of any information or other materials supplied by the entrant. AIA Michigan and Masonry Institute of Michigan will give wide publicity to the award-winning entries. Publicity will also be sought by the MIM for non-winning entries in national and local trade publications looking for specific project samples. Additionally, all entries may be included in *The Smart Dynamics of Masonry* magazine. By participating in this program, the entrant agrees there will be no claim against the jury, MIM, AIAMI, or its individual members. The MIM and AIAMI reserve the privilege of retaining possession of all entries including submissions, for reproduction and subsequent exhibits.

Jury

The jury for the awards will be composed of at least three prominent architects from outside of Michigan.

Awards

The entrant should bear in mind that a project will not be judged in competition with other entries, but on the basis of the solution to the problems presented and its worthiness for an award for excellence in design. There will be only one quality-category of award, to be called "Honor Award" or "M-Award". Suitable awards will be presented to the architect. MIM projects (entry or non-entry) in the State of Michigan, when applicable, will be selected by MIM to receive the "Presidents Award and the Masonry Award".

Exhibition

Entrants whose projects have been selected for honor will be notified immediately following the judging. Instructions for the preparation of an exhibit and directions for its delivery will be emailed. The AIA Michigan awards will be exhibited and presented at the 59th Annual AIA Michigan Annual Awards Presentation in 2024 at a location to be determined. The 48th Annual Masonry Institute of Michigan M-Awards will be presented in 2024 at the Crowne Plaza hotel in Lansing, in conjunction with ArchiFusion.

If you have any questions, please call AIA Michigan at 313-965-4100 or email elizabeth@aiami.com



Schedule

May 6	Entry slip and fees are due accepted until submission deadline.
July 1	Deadline for receipt of submissions via website
Aug/Sept	Jury convenes.
October 1 or sooner	Notification to winners with specifications
November 8	AIA Michigan Honor Awards Ceremony