

2011-2012 ACSA Awards Program

Call for Nominations & Submissions

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AIA/ACSA Topaz Medallion

Deadline: October 21, 2011

Description

The AIA/ACSA Topaz Medallion for Excellence in Architectural Education is awarded jointly by the American Institute of Architects (AIA) and the Association of Collegiate Schools of Architecture (ACSA) to an individual, who must be living at the time of nomination, who has spent at least a decade primarily involved in architectural education, and whose primary contribution to architectural education has been on the North American continent.

Criteria

- The candidate shall have evidenced great depth, having a cumulative effect on a long line of students.
- The candidate shall have evidenced great breadth, having influenced a wide range of students.
- The candidate shall be a person whose activities have consistently directed themselves toward the future as well as the past.
- The candidate shall have evidenced the ability to transcend specific areas of expertise or shall have made connections between areas, in the event that the candidate's areas of focus might be considered circumscribed.
- The candidate shall be widely known by the quality of his or her products: by those who also taught, by those who practiced architecture, and by those who perhaps did neither.

Submissions

The entire submission must be submitted on a disk to the AIA Honors and Awards Department and received by October 21, 2011. For detailed submission requirements please refer to the main AIA Honors and Awards webpage at <http://www.aia.org/practicing/awards/index.htm>.

Each submission shall contain the following information:

- A one page nomination letter by the sponsor
- A biography of the candidate not exceeding two pages
- A statement of contributions not exceeding four pages
- A roster of distinguished students
- Supporting material (i.e., clippings, articles, etc.) relating to the purpose of the award not exceeding four pages
- A maximum of 10 letters of support by those who know the quality of the nominee's products: by those who also taught, by those who practiced architecture, and by those who perhaps did neither. Letters should be one page in length and explicit in their recommendation and contain specific reasons for support.

Schedule

The completed submission must be submitted on a disk and received by October 21, 2011:

Honors and Awards Department
AIA/ACSA Topaz Award
The American Institute of Architects
1735 New York Avenue, NW
Washington, DC 20006-5292

Selection & Presentation

A five-member committee consisting of two persons representing ACSA, two persons representing AIA, and a student representative from AIAS shall make the selection from among the candidates nominated. The ACSA representatives shall be appointed by the ACSA Board of Directors for a one-year term. The recipient shall receive a Topaz Medallion and certificate to be presented at the 100th ACSA Annual Meeting by the Presidents of ACSA and AIA, and at the AIA National Convention and Expo. The recipient may use the title "Topaz Medallion, DPACSA" in perpetuity.

Recent Topaz Medallion Recipients

2011	Lawrence W. Speck, FAIA	2008	Stanley Tigerman, FAIA	2005	Edward Allen, FAIA
2010	Michael Graves, FAIA	2007	Lance Jay Brown, FAIA	2004	Stanford Anderson, AIA
2009	Adèle Santos, FAIA	2006	William G. McMinn, FAIA	2003	Marvin J. Malecha, FAIA

ACSA Distinguished Professor

Online Submission Deadline: September 14, 2011

Description

To recognize sustained creative achievement in the advancement of architectural education through teaching, design, scholarship, research, or service.

Criteria

Candidates in the area of teaching shall have had a positive, stimulating, and nurturing influence upon students over an extended period of time and/or teaching which inspired a generation of students who themselves have contributed to the advancement of architecture. Candidates in the areas of design, scholarship, or research shall have produced a body of work that provides significant insight into the understanding and advancement of architecture and architectural education. Candidates in the area of service shall have significant impact fostering and sustaining excellent teaching and a healthy environment for learning and/or instituted measures leading to an understanding and appreciation of architectural education in the community at large. Submissions should convey how they address ideas of cultural, social, economical, or environmental sustainability.

Eligibility

Full-time faculty members or persons whose activities have clearly been identified with architectural education in ACSA full-member schools for a minimum of 10 years are eligible. The achievements must have occurred during the period of appointment. No postmortem awards will be made. A candidate may be considered for this award and the AIA/ACSA Topaz Medallion simultaneously. In such cases, the nomination must be submitted for each award separately, according to the conditions of required documentation. Any faculty member, administrator, or student at an ACSA full-member school may nominate a candidate for the ACSA Distinguished Professor Award.

Nomination Documentation

All materials are to be submitted through the online system by the nominator or nominee; once the nomination is finalized all parties will receive a confirmation email. The résumé and supporting letters are best uploaded as PDF documents. The supporting material (portfolio) must not exceed a total of 20, 8.5x11 pages and be submitted in PDF format. All materials must be submitted by September 14, 2011 at 5:00 pm ET, online at www.acsa-arch.org and the submitter will need to log into the ACSA website in order to submit.

Each submission shall contain the following information:

- Nomination Information, completed online during submission (www.acsa-arch.org);
- A letter explaining the reasons for the nomination according to the established criteria, not to exceed one page (PDF format);
- A résumé summarizing the career and achievements of the candidate (PDF format);
- No more than three supporting letters from persons qualified to comment upon the significance of the specific achievements of the candidate (each in separate PDF format);
- Supporting material or documents illustrating or describing the candidate's achievements (not to exceed a total of 20, 8.5x11 pages, in PDF format).

Selection & Presentation

The ACSA Awards Committee shall recommend to the ACSA board for approval no more than five individuals for this award per year. The committee, in any year, may choose not to bestow the Distinguished Professor Award. Nominations for the Distinguished Professor Award will remain active in consideration for three years and may be updated in subsequent years. A medallion and certificate shall be presented by the presidents at an Architectural Education Awards Ceremony during the 100th ACSA Annual Meeting in Boston, MA 2012. The recipient may use the title "ACSA Distinguished Professor, DPACSA" in perpetuity.

ACSA/AIAS New Faculty Teaching Award

Online Submission Deadline: September 14, 2011

Description

To recognize demonstrated excellence in teaching performance during the formative years of an architectural teaching career.

Criteria

ACSA and AIAS are jointly sponsoring the award to recognize outstanding teaching abilities exhibited by faculty with a maximum of 10 academic semesters or 15 quarters of full-time teaching experience. Submissions should convey how they address ideas of cultural, social, economical, or environmental sustainability.

Eligibility

Faculty must teach at an ACSA full-member school, candidate school, affiliate school, or at an institution with an associated program. The candidate must also be a faculty member at an institution with an established AIAS or CASA chapter in good standing. Faculty members who have already received tenure are not eligible for this award. Any faculty member, administrator, AIAS or CASA member at an ACSA full-member school, candidate school, affiliate school, or at an institution with an associated program may nominate a candidate for the ACSA/AIAS New Faculty Teaching Award.

Nomination Documentation

All materials are to be submitted through the online system by the nominator or nominee; once the nomination is finalized all parties will receive a confirmation email. The résumé and supporting letters are best uploaded as PDF documents. The supporting material (portfolio) must not exceed a total of 20, 8.5x11 pages and be submitted in PDF format. All material must be submitted by September 14, 2011 at 5:00 pm ET, online at www.acsa-arch.org and the submitter will need to log into the ACSA website in order to submit. Previous recipients are ineligible for this award.

Each submission shall contain the following information:

- Nomination Information, completed online during submission (www.acsa-arch.org);
- A letter explaining the reasons for the nomination according to the established criteria, not to exceed one page (PDF format);
- A résumé of the candidate summarizing his or her career (PDF format);
- No more than three supporting letters (in addition to the letter of nomination) from colleagues and/or students commenting upon the significance of the specific achievements of the candidate (each in separate PDF format);
- A letter from the dean/chair of the nominee's university, verifying the nominee has a maximum of 10 academic semesters or 15 quarters of full-time teaching experience (PDF format);
- Supporting material illustrating or describing the candidates achievements, which would include teaching evaluations, syllabi, or student work (not to exceed a total of 20, 8.5x11 pages, in PDF format).

Selection & Presentation

Applications will be assessed by a jury composed of two members of the AIAS national leadership and two members of the ACSA Board of Directors, none of whom shall be associated with any of the nominations. A maximum of three nominees will receive this award. The jury, in any year, may choose not to bestow the New Faculty Teaching Award. Winners will be announced at an Architecture Education Awards Ceremony during the 100th ACSA Annual Meeting in Boston, MA 2012. The ACSA president and AIAS vice-president will present winners with a certificate at the ACSA Annual Meeting.

ACSA Creative Achievement Award

Online Submission Deadline: September 14, 2011

Description

To recognize a specific creative achievement in teaching, design, scholarship, research, or service that advances architectural education.

Criteria

Candidates in the area of teaching shall have had a positive stimulating influence upon students through a full course, course project, or course module. Candidates in areas of design, scholarship, or research shall have created a work or a project that provides significant insight into the understanding and advancement of architecture and architectural education. Candidates in the area of service shall have significant impact fostering and creating a work or project that provides a healthy environment for learning led to an understanding and appreciation of architectural education in the community at large. Submissions should convey how they address ideas of cultural, social, economical, or environmental sustainability.

Eligibility

Full-time faculty or persons whose activities have clearly been identified with architectural education in ACSA full-member schools are eligible. The achievement must have been accomplished during the period of appointment. Any faculty member, administrator, or student at an ACSA full-member school may nominate a candidate for the ACSA Creative Achievement Award. Projects that have previously been recognized by ACSA will not be considered.

Nomination Documentation

All materials are to be submitted through the online system by the nominator or nominee; once the nomination is finalized all parties will receive a confirmation email. The résumé and supporting letters are best uploaded as PDF documents. The supporting material (portfolio) must not exceed a total of 20, 8.5x11 pages and be submitted in PDF format. All material must be submitted by September 14, 2011 at 5:00 pm ET, online at www.acsa-arch.org and the submitter will need to login the ACSA website in order to submit.

Each submission shall contain the following information:

- Nomination Information, completed online during submission (www.acsa-arch.org);
- A letter explaining the reasons for the nomination according to the established criteria, not to exceed one page (PDF format);
- A résumé for the candidate summarizing his or her career (PDF Format);
- No more than three supporting letters from persons qualified to comment upon the significance of the specific achievements of the candidate (each in separate PDF format);
- Supporting material or documents illustrating or describing the candidate's achievements (not to exceed a total of 20, 8.5x11 pages, in PDF format).

Selection & Presentation

The ACSA Awards Committee shall recommend to the ACSA board for approval no more than three individuals for this award per year. The committee, in any year, may choose not to bestow the Creative Achievement Award. The ACSA president shall present recipients with a certificate at an Architectural Education Awards Ceremony during the 100th ACSA Annual Meeting in Boston, MA 2012.

ACSA Diversity Achievement Award

Online Submission Deadline: September 14, 2011

Description

Certificate of Recognition: To recognize the work of faculty, administrators, or students in creating effective methods and models to achieve greater diversity in curricula, school personnel, and student bodies, specifically to incorporate the participation and contributions of historically under-represented groups or contexts.

Criteria

Nominees shall have had a positive stimulating influence on diversity within architecture education, schools, and/or the community at large. Submissions should convey how the nominee(s) address the ideals of diversity through meaningful and effective activities.

Eligibility

Individuals or groups in ACSA member schools whose activities have clearly been identified with architectural education in ACSA full-member schools are eligible. The achievement must have been accomplished during the period of appointment. Any faculty member, administrator, or student at an ACSA full-member school may nominate a candidate for the ACSA Diversity Achievement Award. Projects that have previously been recognized by ACSA will not be considered.

Nomination Documentation

All materials are to be submitted through the online system by the nominator or nominee; once the nomination is finalized all parties will receive a confirmation email. The résumé and supporting letters are best uploaded as PDF documents. The supporting material (portfolio) must not exceed a total of 20, 8.5x11 pages and be submitted in PDF format. All material must be submitted by September 14, 2011 at 5:00 pm ET, online at www.acsa-arch.org and the submitter will need to log into the ACSA website in order to submit. Previous recipients are ineligible for this award.

Each submission shall contain the following information:

- Nomination Information, completed online during submission (www.acsa-arch.org);
- A letter explaining the reasons for the nomination according to the established criteria, not to exceed one page (PDF format);
- A résumé of the candidate summarizing his or her career (PDF format);
- No more than three supporting letters (in addition to the letter of nomination) from colleagues and/or students commenting upon the significance of the specific achievements of the candidate (each in separate PDF format);
- Supporting material illustrating or describing the nominee's achievements, which would include teaching evaluations, syllabi, or student work (not to exceed a total of 20, 8.5x11 pages, in PDF format).

Selection & Presentation

The ACSA Awards Committee shall select no more than three individuals for awards per year. The committee, in any year, may choose not to bestow the Diversity Achievement Award. Winners will be announced at an Architecture Education Awards Ceremony during the 100th ACSA Annual Meeting in Boston, MA 2012.

ACSA Faculty Design Award

Online Submission Deadline: September 14, 2011

Description

To provide a venue for work that advances the reflective nature of practice and teaching by recognizing and encouraging outstanding work in architecture and related environmental design fields as a critical endeavor

Criteria

Submissions that represent critical investigations advancing the general understanding of the discipline of architecture are invited. This program will recognize built and unbuilt work and carefully consider critical efforts that reflect upon practice and research. Submissions should convey how they address ideas of cultural, social, economical, or environmental sustainability.

Eligibility

Persons in ACSA member schools who are primarily engaged in teaching may enter one or more submissions on different subject matters relevant to their educational activities. Prior publication does not affect eligibility. Projects must have been completed after January 1, 2004, to be eligible for consideration. Projects that have previously been recognized by ACSA will not be considered.

Submission Documentation

Entries must consist of high-quality digital graphic material and text, maximum of 1,000 words, submitted through the online system by the nominee in PDF format with up to 20, 8.5x11 pages. No models, slides, or films will be accepted. All material must be submitted by September 14, 2011 at 5:00 pm ET, online at www.acsa-arch.org and the submitter will need to log into the ACSA website in order to submit.

Each submissions shall contain the following information:

- Submission information, completed online during submission (www.acsa-arch.org);
- Abstract (not to exceed 300 words) describing the project (copy/paste text box).
- Supporting material or documents illustrating or describing the candidate's design (not to exceed a total of 20, 8.5x11 pages, in PDF format).

To maintain anonymity, no names of entrants or collaborating parties may appear on any part of the submission. Credits may be concealed by any simple means. Do not conceal identity and location of project.

Selection & Presentation

One jury will review all submissions, selecting designs for presentation at the 100th Annual Meeting. Up to four submissions will receive an ACSA Faculty Design Award. The jury, in any year, may choose not to bestow the Faculty Design Award. Award recipients will present and display their projects at the 100th ACSA Annual Meeting in Boston, MA 2012. Projects not selected as award winners may be selected as presenters at a session for the meeting. The ACSA president shall present recipients with a certificate at an Architectural Education Awards Ceremony during the 100th ACSA Annual Meeting.

ACSA Collaborative Practice Award

Online Submission Deadline: September 14, 2011

Description

To honor the best practices in school-based community outreach programs

Criteria

This ACSA award recognizes programs that demonstrate how faculty, students, and community/civic clients work to realize common objectives. Participation by professional practitioners and colleagues from other academic disciplines is encouraged.

•Architecture •Landscape •Interior •Planning •Industrial •Urban

Collaborative projects and practice can encompass a variety of endeavors, including but not limited to: design/build, new construction, rehabilitation, open space planning, zoning and regulatory reform, and the development of new institutions or social processes. Submissions should convey how they address ideas of cultural, social, economical, or environmental sustainability.

Eligibility

Persons in ACSA member schools who are primarily engaged in teaching may enter one or more submissions relevant to their educational activities. Projects that have previously been recognized by ACSA will not be considered.

Submission Documentation

Submissions must explain the nature of the collaboration and demonstrate what students learned and how the community benefited. Entries must consist of high-quality digital graphic material and text, maximum of 1,000 words, submitted through the online system by the nominee in PDF format with up to 20, 8.5x11 pages. No models, slides, or films will be accepted. All material must be submitted by September 14, 2011 at 5:00 pm ET, online at www.acsa-arch.org and the submitter will need to log into the ACSA website in order to submit.

Each submission shall contain the following:

- Submission Information, completed online during submission (www.acsa-arch.org);
- Abstract (not to exceed 300 words) describing the nature of the collaboration including what students learned and how the community benefited (copy/paste text box);
- Supporting material or documents illustrating or describing the candidate's design (not to exceed a total of 20, 8.5x11 pages, in PDF format).

To maintain anonymity, no names of entrants or collaborating parties may appear on any part of the submission. Credits may be concealed by any simple means. Do not conceal identity and location of the project.

Selection & Presentation

The ACSA Awards Committee shall recommend to the ACSA board for approval no more than four projects for this award per year. The Committee, in any year, may choose not to bestow the Collaborative Practice Award. Award recipients will present and display their projects as part of the 100th ACSA Annual Meeting in Boston, MA 2012. The ACSA president shall present recipients with a certificate at an Architectural Education Awards Ceremony during the 100th ACSA Annual Meeting.

ACSA/AIA Housing Design Education Award

Online Submission Deadline: September 14, 2011

Description

The ACSA/AIA Housing Design Education Award is granted jointly by the Association of Collegiate Schools of Architecture (ACSA) and the American Institute of Architects (AIA) to recognize the importance of good education in housing design to produce architects ready for practice in a wide range of areas and able to be capable leaders and contributors to their communities.

Categories

Submissions are invited for two award categories:

1. Excellence in *Housing Design Curriculum*— for an architecture program offering an exemplary program-wide Housing Design Curriculum that provides students with a comprehensive grounding in the theory and practice of housing design through a number of coordinated curricular activities, courses, topics, and programs. Generally, multiple faculty and administrative staff are involved in the implementation and coordination of such programs.
2. Excellence in *Housing Education Course or Activity*— for an architecture program (such as a single studio or seminar course, research activity, or exhibition) that supports housing design pedagogy.

Eligibility

Persons in ACSA member schools who are engaged in teaching may enter one or more submissions relevant to their educational activities. Previous winners in the *Housing Design Curriculum Award* category must wait two years and make substantial changes to reapply in this award category. Previous winners in the *Housing Education Course or Activity Award* category may apply each year with new program components. Projects that have previously been recognized by ACSA will not be considered.

Criteria

1. Judging Criteria for the *Housing Design Curriculum Award* will be evaluated on the basis of the comprehensiveness, thoughtfulness, and innovativeness of the curriculum approach to education in housing design theory and practice, including the range and quality of learning opportunities provided to students as represented in the submissions. It is anticipated that such a curriculum could address one or more of the following elements:

History; Theory and studio pedagogy; Policy, including affordability issues; Community analysis; Site design and selection; Participatory techniques for working with communities and residents; Culturally responsive design; Finance – including proformas, subsidy, underwriting, and tax preference; Codes, zoning and regulatory frameworks; Site, unit, and shared space design; Housing as a component of comprehensive community design; Design for special populations; Social, environmental and economic impacts; Production methods; Building systems; Specifications; Cost estimating; Information resources for designers; Research, including action research; Sustainability; Universal design; Health design.

Submissions should not be limited to descriptions of the sequence of courses, but should document the program's multiple learning opportunities, such as lecture series, service learning programs, community design centers, and certificate programs. Submissions should convey how they address ideas of cultural, social, economical, or environmental sustainability.

2. Judging Criteria for the *Housing Education Course or Activity Award* will be evaluated on the basis of the positive impact of the course or activity on students, the university, or the community. This impact may be found in areas such as the creation of a stimulating environment for learning about housing issues or for stimulating positive outcomes related to housing issues between and among university and community members. Submissions should convey how they address ideas of cultural, social, economical, or environmental sustainability.

Selection & Presentation

Applications will be assessed by a jury composed of two individuals from AIA and two individuals from ACSA, none of who shall be associated with any of submissions. One program will be awarded the Excellence in *Housing Design Curriculum* and a maximum of three programs will receive the Excellence in *Housing Education Course or Activity*. The jury, in any year, may choose not to bestow the ACSA/AIA Housing Design Award. Winners will be announced at an Architectural Education Awards Ceremony during the 100th ACSA Annual Meeting in Boston, MA 2012.

Submission Documentation

1. *Housing Design Curriculum Award*— entries must be submitted through the online system in PDF format with a maximum of 15, 8.5x11 pages, including images and appendices, of detailed program description and evaluative material (such as community feedback, documented student outcomes, publicity, etc.). An abstract (not to exceed 300 words) describing the curriculum. A separate PDF file shall include a signed statement/letter from the program's administrative head verifying all identifying information. All material should remain anonymous (i.e., do not identify the school or any of the participants by name in the written and graphic program material).
2. *Housing Education Course or Activity Award*— entries should be submitted through the online system, up to 20, 8.5x11 pages in PDF format. An abstract (not to exceed 300 words) describing the course or activity. All material should remain anonymous (i.e., do not identify the school or any of the participants by name in the written and graphic program material).

All material must be submitted by September 14, 2011 at 5:00 pm ET, online at www.acsa-arch.org and the submitter will need to login the ACSA website in order to submit.

- Submission Information, completed online during submission (www.acsa-arch.org);
 - Abstract (not to exceed 300 words);
 - Supporting material or documents illustrating and describing the candidate's curricular and/or activity. (not to exceed a total of 20, 8.5x11 pages, in PDF format).
- To maintain anonymity, no names of entrants or collaborating parties may appear on any part of the submission. Do not conceal identity and location of the project.

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Nominated Awards

AIA/ACSA Topaz Medallion

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please see specific AIA instructions for this award nomination

ACSA Distinguished Professor Award

[deadline: September 14, 2011]

ACSA/AIAS New Faculty Teaching Award

[deadline: September 14, 2011]

ACSA Creative Achievement Award

[deadline: September 14, 2011]

ACSA Diversity Achievement Award

[deadline: September 14, 2011]

Required Nomination Information to be uploaded/completed online at www.acsa-arch.org/awards

- Online Nomination Information
 - Name of Candidate(s): Affiliation, Mailing Address, Email, Phone, Fax
 - Name of Nominator(s): Affiliation, Mailing Address, Email, Phone, Fax
- Letter of Nomination (PDF format)
- Curriculum Vitae (PDF format)
- Supporting Letter(s) of Nomination (each in separate PDF format)
- Supporting Materials (not to exceed a total of 20, 8.5x11 pages, in PDF format)

Submitted Awards

ACSA Faculty Design Award

[deadline: September 14, 2011]

ACSA Collaborative Practice Award

[deadline: September 14, 2011]

ACSA/AIA Housing Design Education Award

[deadline: September 14, 2011]

Excellence in Housing Design Curriculum

Excellence in Housing Education Course or Activity

Required Submission Information to be uploaded/completed online at www.acsa-arch.org/awards

- Online Submission Information
 - Name of Candidate(s): Affiliation, Mailing Address, Email, Phone, Fax
- Title of Project/Program
- Abstract (not to exceed 300 words)
- Supporting Materials (not to exceed a total of 20, 8.5x11 pages, in PDF format)

To maintain anonymity, no names of entrants or collaborating parties may appear on any part of the submission. Credits may be concealed by any simple means. Do not conceal identity and location of the project.

NOTICES

- All materials for nominations and submissions must be uploaded online in one complete package. Any incomplete documentation will not be accepted.
- Projects that have previously been recognized by ACSA will not be considered.
- In support of the American Institute of Architecture Students' (AIAS) resolution on unpaid interns, ACSA does not allow partners of firms who do not pay their interns, in accordance with all applicable laws, to submit work for ACSA publications or to receive ACSA awards. (Intern refers to those individuals participating in IDP or equivalent required training and includes working students.) Nomination or submission to the ACSA Awards Program constitutes your understanding of this agreement.
- Current ACSA Board of Directors members may not submit nominating or supporting letters.
- Award winners are expected to register and attend the Awards Ceremony at the 100th ACSA Annual Meeting in Boston, MA 2012.
- By submitting your project, you certify that you have granted ACSA permission to use all graphics included.

Contact Information

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