2020 International Housing Design Student Competition
Prizes Awarded to Students for Innovative Residential Designs

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Washington, D.C., September 3, 2020 – Winners are announced for the HERE+NOW: A House for the 21st Century: 2020 Student Design Competition, sponsored by Custom Residential Architects Network (AIA CRAN®)—an American Institute of Architects Knowledge Community—in partnership with the Association of Collegiate Schools of Architecture (ACSA). The competition drew over 800 participants and received nearly 300 submissions. The jury selected five exceptional student projects that challenged students to envision a house for the HERE & NOW: informed by context, culture, and vernacular, but fully embracing 21st century technology and ideas of domesticity.

The winning projects were chosen by a panel of distinguished jurors, including:
- Sekou Cooke, Syracuse University
- Gerry Cowart, Cowart Group Architects
- Mary Hardin, University of Arizona

The jurors chose First, Second, and Third place winners, along with two Honorable Mentions. Listed below are the names of the recipients, their project titles, and their faculty sponsor(s):

1st Place: Lubec Narrows
Student: Joseph Leaming
Faculty Sponsor: Frederick Biehle
Pratt Institute

2nd Place: FLOAT: A 21st Century Floating Home Post Sea Level Rise
Student: Helena Lecocq
Faculty Sponsor: Ashlie Latiolais
University of Louisiana - Lafayette

3rd Place: ShareBnB: Re-imagining the Gift Economy and Suburbia
Student: Emily Hu
Faculty Sponsor: Jiong Wu
Syracuse University

Honorable Mention: THE SKY HOUSE
Student: Carlos Soto Castellanos
Faculty Sponsor: Peter Zweig
University of Houston

Honorable Mention: A Modern Home
Student: Natalie Grimm
Faculty Sponsor: Matthew Knox
Kansas State University

For more information, and to see images of the projects, click HERE.
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