

AIA Connecticut

Business Architecture Awards 2017

Presented in association with business journals throughout the state

This statewide award honors architects for solving business problems for Connecticut clients, thereby demonstrating the power of architecture to shape business performance, improve people's lives and provide a value added service to clients. The award focuses on "Business to Business" projects but may include non-profit businesses. The award acknowledges those projects that both enhance the built environment and achieve business goals, such as growth, branding identity, or future positioning. Projects are submitted in two categories: under 50 employees and over 50 employees. Recipients of the 2017 awards will be recognized at the chapter's annual Award Reception.

ELIGIBILITY

Architects licensed and practicing in Connecticut may submit Connecticut design projects completed in the past five years (after January 2012). The Architect of Record must submit the project. AIA membership is not required.

JUDGING CRITERIA

- Evidence that design contributed to business success
- Design quality
- Client support for the submission

CATEGORIES

The judges will give two awards based on the number of people working in the space designed:

- Projects designed for businesses employing fewer than 50 people.
- Projects designed for businesses employing 50 or more people.

Clients need to occupy the premises as a place of business. Development or speculative and institutional, educational, and residential projects will not be considered.

JURORS

Greg Breitbart, Chief Marketing Officer

North American Power, Norwalk, Connecticut

Kent McCoy, AIA

Smith Edwards McCoy Architects, Hartford, Connecticut

Robert Swain, AIA

Amenta Emma Architects, Harford, Connecticut

SUBMISSION FORMAT

Submissions are electronic. After registration, you will receive an email with instructions for submission, including the submission portal URL link.

The electronic submission includes an online form and a PDF with project information and graphic materials (7 MB maximum file size).

Contact Jan Harris at jharris@aiact.org with submission questions.

PDF Instructions:

Project information

- Identification of project with name, client name, and location. Indicate firm size: fewer or more than 50 people.
- A support letter from the client, including: the reason for consideration of the project, overall client satisfaction with both project and design team, and any links between the project and client growth; and a one to two page summary (250–300 words) of the project program including a description of the design challenge, how the team addressed the design issues, and documentation of the success the business realized from the design. If possible, the support letter should NOT identify the architecture firm but should reference "the architect" or the "designer."

Graphic Materials

A maximum of eight (8) images which should include:

- Interior and exterior project photographs, drawings, plans, and elevations.
- Project name on images
- Images as JPEGs at 150 dpi, maximum size of 800 px X 750 px, placed a single image per page on landscape or portrait orientated pages as appropriate.

FEES

AIA Connecticut members: \$75 for each entry

Non members: \$150 for each entry

SCHEDULE

Entry form must be submitted by **March 17, 2017**.

Submissions must be completed by **April 17, 2017**.

The jury will meet on **May 5, 2017**.

We will endeavor to publish winning submissions and a selection of honorable mentions, if designated, in state business journals.

Online Entry Form: [Enter Now](#)