

2002



IDP Outstanding Firm Award *Call for Entries*

Deadline for Submissions: February 28, 2003

Purpose

The IDP Outstanding Firm Award recognizes firms for exemplary commitment and contributions to the professional development of interns.

Criteria

Firms will be judged for the success of their programs in support of interns, including training opportunities, mentoring, continuing education programs, and commitment to the Intern Development Program.

Nominations

State and local IDP and education coordinators, students, interns participating in IDP, licensed architects, and AIA components may make nominations.

Firms that have previously received this award must demonstrate ongoing, continuous improvement to their intern programs.

Categories

- Small Firm—7 or fewer employees
- Medium Firm—8 to 49 employees
- Large Firm—50 or more employees

One finalist will be selected from each category. An overall winner will be selected from the three finalists.

Submission Materials

The submission package must include all of the following:

- Completed Firm Identification form
The four Firm Statements described on the Firm Identification form should be sent in hard copy and as an electronic file on a disk.

- Completed Nominator's Statement of Support form
- Three letters of recommendation, one of which must be from an active IDP intern

Support materials (e.g., program announcements, innovative ways of recording IDP activities) are optional. All submission materials must arrive together in the same package.

Deadline

Submission packages must be postmarked on or before February 28, 2003.

Award

Winning firms will receive an IDP Outstanding Firm certificate and will be profiled in the AIA's *AIArchitect* and NCARB's *Direct Connection*. The certificate will be presented at the AIA 2003 National Convention and Expo in San Diego.

Mailing Information

Mail submission packages to:

Suzanna Wight, Assoc. AIA
Emerging Professionals Director
The American Institute of Architects
1735 New York Avenue, NW
Washington, DC 20006-5292

Questions may be addressed to:

Sylvie Etitane at setitane@aia.org
or 202-626-7456.



The Intern Development Program Coordinating Committee is a unique cross-collateral committee. It includes three representatives from both the AIA and NCARB and one member each from the National Associates Committee (NAC), AIAS, and ACSA. It also includes a nonvoting member from the Council of Architectural Component Executives (CACE) and the Society of Design Administrators (SDA). The committee monitors and makes recommendations on IDP policy.

Firm Identification Form

Firm name _____

Address _____

City/State/Zip _____

Phone _____

Fax _____

E-mail _____

Web site address _____

Contact person _____

Firm Size

- Small firm (7 or fewer employees)
- Medium firm (8–49 employees)
- Large firm (50 employees or more)

Number of interns at the firm _____

Number of interns participating in IDP _____

Number of years the firm has participated in IDP _____

Firm Statement

Provide specific examples of the firm's commitment to providing quality intern programs through IDP in each of the following areas:

1. Comprehensive training opportunities
2. Mentoring/IDP advisory system
3. IDP implementation
4. Supplementary education

Include a single-page statement for each of the four components of the Firm Statement. Statements should be typed (double-spaced, in a font size no smaller than 10 points) on *one side* of an 8½-by-11-inch sheet. Inclusion of support materials is optional.

Past Award Winners

Payette Associates, Boston

Flad Associates, Raleigh, NC (Honorable Mention)

Albert Kahn Associates, Detroit

Askew Nixon Ferguson, Memphis

BSW International, Tulsa

BWBR Architects, St. Paul (Honorable Mention)

Caldwell Architects, Marina del Rey, CA (Honorable Mention)

Clark Nexsen, Norfolk, VA

Collins Rimer & Gordon, Cleveland

CUH2A, Princeton

Cynthia Easton, Sacramento

Earl Swanson Associates, Nashville

Einhorn Yaffee Prescott, Washington, DC

Everton Ogleby Askew, Nashville

HKS Architects, Dallas

Loebl Schlossman & Hack/Hague Richards, Chicago

Luey Architects, Tigard, OR

Giattina Fisher Aycock Architects, Birmingham, AL

Gilley – Hinkel Architects, Bristol, CT

Jeffrey S. Conrad, Architect, Oxnard, CA

Johnson, Laffen, Meland, Grand Forks, ND

Kekst Architecture, Cleveland

Klipp Colussy Jenks DuBois, Denver

Naval Facilities, Engineering Command, Alexandria, VA

RTKL Associates, Baltimore

Schmidt Associates, Inc., Indianapolis

Watkins Hamilton Ross Architects, Bellaire, TX

Western Michigan University, Kalamazoo, MI

Statement of Support

Nominator's name _____

Nominator's firm/organization/school _____

Address _____

City/State/Zip _____

Phone _____

Fax _____

E-mail _____

Please indicate your role/position (*check all that apply*).

- Intern participating in IDP
- IDP state coordinator
- IDP education coordinator
- IDP local coordinator
- AIA local component staff
- Architect
- AIAS chapter leader

Nominator's Statement

Include a single-page statement explaining why this firm should receive the IDP Outstanding Firm Award. Type your statement (double-spaced, in a font size no smaller than 10 points) on *one side* of an 8½-by-11-inch sheet.