



AIA Arizona

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AIA Arizona 2015 Architecture Student Project Review Competition

AIA Arizona is celebrating the academic achievements of architecture students at each of the three professional schools in Arizona, offering the students a connection to all of the AIA Arizona members, and cash prizes for outstanding submissions.

All students in the architecture programs at the *Frank Lloyd Wright School of Architecture at Taliesin West*, *The Design School at Arizona State University in the Herberger Institute for Design and the Arts*, and the *University of Arizona College of Architecture + Landscape Architecture* are encouraged to post a brief resume and graphic example of your best school project(s) on one color 11" x 17" page, in PDF format, which will be provided. Refer to the required format below.

Submissions are due **Friday, April 17, 2015 at 4:00 pm**. Email the completed PDF file to the coordinator at each respective school of architecture. The 1,200 members of AIA Arizona will have access to the web site that will feature all of the student entries. Past years' entries can be viewed here:

http://issuu.com/aiaarizona/docs/2014_aia_student_projects_competiti

The topic is open to any architectural project or group of projects developed or completed during your college career. It should express ideas of design excellence: conceptual appropriateness, technical viability, creative problem solving, aesthetic delight, stylistic integrity, cultural poignancy, and clear, concise communication of graphics and presentation. As a student project, perfection is not expected, but brilliant insight is anticipated! Judges will take into consideration the respondent's class, academic level, and program complexity. Please include a brief summary of the project(s) background, class or studio, date, proposed location, and design program.

The AIA presents this Competition as an opportunity for students to gain exposure in their chosen field. Think of it as a resume, a portfolio, and a publication to advertise yourself and your philosophy (not to mention a chance to win some money!). Many eyes in the architectural community will be peering at your work, so put your best foot forward, and make a great impression on the profession!

AIA Arizona encourages participation in AIAS and the free 18 month membership in the AIA for all graduates. All currently enrolled students that are members of AIAS will be eligible to win a monetary reward for the most exemplary projects, courtesy of the Rio Salado Architecture Foundation. **Cash prizes of \$400 (1st Place/Gold), \$200 (2nd Place/Silver), and \$100 (3rd Place/Bronze) will be awarded** to the most outstanding AIAS student presentation from each of the three schools, for a total of 9 available prizes. Judging will be provided by a panel of professional AIA Arizona members. Only current AIAS members are eligible for prizes, but all acceptable entries will be featured on the web site. The AIA reserves the right to disqualify any entry for any reason.

For additional information please contact Charnissa Moore at AIA Arizona charnissa@aia-arizona.org or Chuck Kottka at kottka.c@owp.com.

Submittal Requirements:

11" x 17" landscape format. Project graphics can be full bleed. Include captions, north arrows and graphic scale if appropriate. Remove the instruction text. Convert InDesign file to an 11" x 17" **PDF file** for submittal. Alternate software may be utilized, but the final product must be in the prescribed layout. PDF file size to not exceed 4 MB. Save the PDF file, **named with your personal information** as indicated below:

last name. first initial.name of school (asu, ua, or taliesin).year of graduation.aias number (if applicable, if not leave blank).pdf.

For example: *comacho.e.asu.2014.12345.pdf*

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The Design School at Arizona State University in the Herberger Institute for Design and the Arts:

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Frank Lloyd Wright School of Architecture at Taliesin West:

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The University of Arizona College of Architecture + Landscape Architecture:

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Frequently Asked Questions

We would also like to clarify a couple of rules, as we have received some questions:

Q: Can non-AIAS members enter the competition, and what would be the benefit.

A: As this competition is being sponsored by the AIA, we would like to encourage membership in the AIAS chapters. Therefore, only AIAS members are eligible to win cash prizes. However, non-members are welcome to submit an exhibit. All entries will be posted to the issuu.com web site, and if recommended by the judges, non-AIAS entries may be eligible to win an Honorable Mention award, with no prize.

Q: Can a group project be submitted?

A: To be as fair as possible, we can only allow submission of a group project if ALL members of the group are equally represented on the exhibit. The file should be submitted by one member, with their name in the filename, but the body of the layout must include all names with pictures and critical information. If the entry wins a prize, it will be split equally among all members of the group. To be eligible for a cash prize, ALL group members must be AIAS members. Non-member submissions are only eligible for posting to the web site, and perhaps an Honorable Mention award, with no prize.

Q: We have several graduate students that started recently and they are wondering if the project they submit needs to be during their time here, or do designs in their undergraduate count as well?

A: We will allow submissions from other schools, as long as the student is **currently** enrolled at an AZ school. It should list details as to the school, location, date, and description of the class it was done for.

*Q: Do the projects need to be **building** design? Students have designed furniture for an assignment and are wondering if they can submit that design into the competition.*

A: Topics could extend beyond building design into furniture, as well as interior design, urban design/planning, engineering systems design, architectural theory, and possibly even sculpture, but they would be judged on the same criteria.