

## 2024 DEADLINES & FEES

Early registration: January 29 – February 29

\$200 AIA Members

\$300 Non-AIA Members

Standard registration: March 1 – March 31

\$250 AIA Members

\$350 Non-AIA Members

Last day to submit: April 5

Fees are paid online at the time of registration.

Refunds will not be given for entries that are disqualified, late, or incomplete.

## ELIGIBILITY

The Living on the Edge – Coastal Residential Design Awards program is open to AIA and non-AIA members.

### Projects entered:

- Projects must be located within a city on the Southern California Coast, which is defined as the city's border extending to the Pacific Ocean.
- Must be completed / built after January 1, 2019. (Theoretical, unbuilt, or partially constructed projects are not allowed.)
- Projects that previously won another AIA or other organization's design awards program are eligible.

### Categories:

Projects may be submitted in one of the following categories:

1. Single-family new construction residence
  - A. Structure under 2,000 sq ft
  - B. Structure 2,001 – 5,000 sq ft
  - C. Structure over 5,001 sq ft
2. Single-family remodel construction residence
  - A. Structure under 2,000 sq ft
  - B. Structure 2,001 – 5,000 sq ft
  - C. Structure over 5,001 sq ft
3. Accessory Dwelling Unit (ADU)
4. Outdoor Space
  - A. Lot size under 5,000 sq ft



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AIA Long Beach / South Bay*

- B. Lot size 5,001 – 10,000 sq ft
- C. Lot size over 10,001 sq ft

## REQUIREMENTS SUMMARY

### 1. Project Submission *(see below for Project Submission Guidelines)*

One (1) PDF upload, landscape layout, 11 inches wide by 8.5 inches high, maximum of 12 pages or 8MB **(PDFs that exceed 8MB will be excluded)**. **Do not include any reference to the firm name. Do not include the firm logo.** The PDF shall include:

- Narrative (up to 500 words)
- Scaled Plan / Plans
- Scaled Site Plan / Plans
- Minimum 6 and maximum of 12 Photos / Diagrams

### 2. Project Representation Image – Social Media (Hero Shot) (separate upload)

One (1) JPG of the submitted project with firm name / logo 1080 x 1080 px. Representation images will be exhibited on AIA LBSB and Coastal CRAN social media platforms for marketing purposes after the jury deliberates. The upload image should be named after the project and may also include the firm name / logo. It is not advised to include any project description text in this image.

### 3. Project Representation Image – Landscape Format (Hero Shot) (separate upload)

One (1) JPG of the submitted project with firm name / logo 1920 x 1080 px. Representation images may be exhibited on AIA LBSB website, Coastal CRAN webpage, and in a slideshow at a future organization event after the jury deliberates. The upload image should be named after the project and may also include the firm name / logo. It is not advised to include any project description text in this image.

### 4. Additional Photos (separate uploads)

Two (2) additional JPGs that were included in the Project Submission, sized 1080 x 1080 px. These additional photos may be used for marketing purposes after the jury deliberates. The upload images should be named after the project and may also include the firm name / logo. It is not advised to include any project description text on this image.

### 5. Common Application for Design Excellence from the AIA COTE Top Ten Toolkit (optional)

The Common Application is based on the [AIA's Framework for Design Excellence](#) which seeks to inform progress toward a zero-carbon, equitable, resilient, and healthy built environment. These are to be thoughtfully considered by designer and client at the initiation of every project and incorporated into the work as appropriate to the project scope. The Framework is intended to be accessible and relevant for every architect, every client, and every project, regardless of size, typology, or aspiration.

Note: This form should be completed to the best of your ability. It does not need to be completed in full. The Excel file is a separate upload and does not count against the total pages of your submission. [Click here to download the Common Application.](#)

### 6. Legal Disclaimer (separate upload)

Each Submission must include a signed and dated [Legal Disclaimer](#).

## PROJECT SUBMISSION GUIDELINES

Each completed submission package must follow these guidelines:

- Submitted in PDF format.
- PDFs in landscape layout, 11 inches wide by 8.5 inches high.
- Not to exceed 8MB and 12 pages (not including Required Forms upload or Project Representation Images).
- Font 11 point or larger.
- Do not reveal firm/project name on Project Submission - only on Project Representation Images and Additional Images.
- Optional Common Application for Design Excellence from the AIA COTE Top Ten Toolkit submitted as an Excel spreadsheet.

### Layout

#### Pages 1 - 2

A narrative of the project (up to approx. 500 words) which illustrates a concise picture through imaginative verbiage. Follow the summary with one clear graphic that best represents the project. Include the type of project, completion date, and city in which the project is located. This is basic information provided to the jury about your project and should not exceed two pages.

- Describe your project as succinctly as possible.
- Incorporate information about project intentions, program requirements, and design goals, if any. Include the context, program/scope, special challenges/unusual characteristics, and the solution/design of the project.
- Explain all design achievements that demonstrate exemplary skill and creativity in the resolution and integration of formal, functional, and technical requirements.
- Projects should reflect a strong sense of place, ecology, resource efficiency, history, and purpose as an integral part of demonstrated design excellence.
- For remodel projects, provide the jury with pertinent information to differentiate between the original design work and the newly altered, preserved, or restored work.

#### Subsequent pages (up to a max. of 12 total pages)

These pages should include images, photos, diagrams, site plans, floor plans, and elevations. Photos must be clear with a suggested image resolution of 125 to 150 DPI.

- Include both interior and exterior photographs that illustrate the complete project, including its relationship to its surroundings.
- You may include composite images.
- Site Plans may be drawn at any scale in any medium, but the scale and north arrow must be indicated clearly.
- Floor Plans must clearly explain the solution.
- Remodel Projects must include a side-by-side before and after photo.

## **AWARDS**

The jury will review the entries and will select projects for Honor, Merit, or Citation award recognition. The jury shall have the sole authority to determine which and how many awards are justified in each category. Each entry is considered individually and is judged on the success with which it has met its individual requirements – not in competition with other entries. Jury decisions will be based solely on the materials submitted. There will be no site visits. The jury’s decisions shall be final and not subject to review. No minimum or maximum number of awards has been established. Entered projects may also be eligible for additional accolades including excellence in sustainability. [Learn more about our jury.](#)

## **SUBMIT**