

Coastal Custom Residential Architects Network Launches the First-Ever "Living on the Edge – Coastal Residential Design Awards"

February 1, 2024

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

LONG BEACH / SOUTH BAY, CA – The Coastal Custom Residential Architects Network (C-CRAN®) of the American Institute of Architects, Long Beach / South Bay Chapter, is proud to announce the inauguration of the "Living on the Edge – Coastal Residential Design Awards." This groundbreaking awards program is dedicated to celebrating the unique and innovative designs of residential architecture along the Southern California coast. Aimed at highlighting the extraordinary talents of smaller architecture firms and solo practitioners, this initiative seeks to bring well-deserved recognition to those who shape our coastal living experiences.

Understanding the challenges and opportunities of designing for the coastal climate, the "Living on the Edge – Coastal Residential Design Awards" emphasizes the importance of blending indoor and outdoor environments. This approach not only enhances the living experience by merging natural elements with architectural design but also encourages a reevaluation of our interaction with our surroundings.

Eligibility and Categories

The awards program is open to both AIA members and non-members, provided the project is located within a city on the Southern California coast, with its borders extending to the Pacific Ocean. Eligible projects must have been completed after January 1, 2019. Entries can range from new constructions to remodels, including single-family residences and accessory dwelling units (ADUs), across various size categories.

Submissions are welcomed in the following categories:

- Single-family new construction residence (divided by structure size)
- Single-family remodel construction residence (divided by structure size)
- Accessory Dwelling Unit (ADU)
- Outdoor Space (divided by lot size)

This initiative not only celebrates architectural excellence but also encourages a broader participation in recognizing the impact of coastal residential design. The "Living on the Edge – Coastal Residential Design Awards" is set to become a prestigious platform for showcasing the innovation and creativity of architects who contribute to the enhancement of coastal living.

CONTACT

Kristne Hammond, Executive Director
(562) 989-1399
kristine@aialb-sb.org
@aialbsb

The American Institute of Architects

Long Beach / South Bay
6444 E. Spring St., #269
Long Beach, CA 90815

<https://aialb-sb.org/>

Entry Submission and Recognition

The awards program invites submissions that embody the spirit of coastal living, with an emphasis on those projects that seamlessly integrate interior and exterior spaces. It provides a unique opportunity for architects to showcase their work, gain recognition, and engage with a community of like-minded professionals dedicated to excellence in coastal residential design.

Winners of the "Living on the Edge – Coastal Residential Design Awards" will receive extensive recognition through various media outlets and promotional materials, along with an awards ceremony dedicated to celebrating their achievements.

For more information on submission guidelines, eligibility, and categories, please visit the C-CRAN® section of the AIA Long Beach / South Bay website. Registration closes March 31 with project submitted by April 5, 2024.

About Coastal Custom Residential Architects Network (C-CRAN®)

The Coastal Custom Residential Architects Network (C-CRAN®) is a collective within the American Institute of Architects, Long Beach / South Bay chapter, focusing on the specific challenges and opportunities presented by coastal residential design and the processes of building on the coast. C-CRAN supports architects through resources, networking, and advocacy, promoting excellence in coastal living architecture.

Contact

Kristine Hammond
Executive Director
(562) 989-1399

kristine@aialb-sb.org

<https://aialb-sb.org/living-on-the-edge-coastal-residential-design-awards/>

###