



# 2021 AIA|MS Design Awards CALL FOR ENTRIES

**Registrations Due** • Monday, June 28, 2021, 11:59pm

**Submissions Due** • Monday, July 12, 2021, 11:59pm

**Late Submissions** • Friday, July 16, 2021, 11:59pm (+\$25)

The Late Submission deadline is the only extension.

**Popular Vote** • Monday, July 26 – Monday, August 9, 2020, 11:59pm

**Awards Ceremony** • October 15, 2021, 12pm – 1pm, Video Conference  
Annual Business Meeting to follow Awards Ceremony

## STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

The AIA Mississippi Design Awards program seeks to encourage excellence and elevate the quality of architecture by recognizing and honoring works of distinction by its members and bringing to public attention outstanding examples of architecture and design.

## ELIGIBILITY

The AIA Mississippi Design Awards Program is open to any completed architectural project or un-built project executed between January 2015 and May 2021, which has been produced by, or in collaboration with, any member of AIA Mississippi. Firms and individuals are encouraged to submit previously submitted non-winning projects, or projects which have won awards in other venues. If the project is a joint venture, please indicate all of the associated architectural firms involved with the project.

## AWARDS

Each project will be evaluated on its individual merits, i.e., how it solves the design problem including issues of sustainability.

Awards can be given in three categories: Honor Awards, Honor Citations, and Merit Awards. Honor awards will be given for overall design excellence. Honor Citations will be awarded to projects worthy of recognition because of design quality. Merit Awards will be granted at the discretion of the design jury.

These awards will be designated by a jury of architects whose work and reputations have been established at the highest level of the profession.

The awards will be divided into general classifications and judged by category. Entries may be entered into more than one category at no additional cost. All categories may not receive awards. The categories include:

- Architecture | New Construction
- Renovation | Restoration
- Architectural Interiors
- Master Planning Urban Design
- Residential
- Un-built
- Sustainability

Awards will be delivered to each recipient in both certificate form and a crystal obelisk following the Awards Ceremony.

## AWARD CATEGORIES BY POPULAR VOTE

Details about online voting will be communicated to AIA|MS members and the general public on the home page of the AIA Mississippi website ([www.aiamississippi.org](http://www.aiamississippi.org)) as well as through e-mail and social media campaigns.

### SAMUEL MOCKBEE MEMBERSHIP AWARD

Samuel Mockbee was a noted architect born in Meridian, Mississippi, whose outspoken approach advocated for elevated standards of living among the South's rural populations. Recipients of this award demonstrate a sensitivity to that spirit and are selected by their peers. The family of Samuel Mockbee will select a shortlist of entries to be eligible for AIA|MS members to cast their vote.

### PEOPLE'S CHOICE AWARD

While our jurors are reviewing entries for certain criteria, there are favorites among the public for merit based on a broad variety of unmeasurable characteristics. All entries will be eligible for the public to cast their vote.

## HOW TO ENTER

There are three steps to the entry process:

1. Submit a completed registration form with payment.
2. The PowerPoint presentation template, digital board template, entry number, and entry form will be e-mailed to the contact person. Numbers are assigned in the order received.
3. Compile the entry and submit digital files by the above dates.

## ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

To submit a completed entry, assemble the following files:  
(Note: Replace XX with the assigned two digit entry number)

### a. POWERPOINT PRESENTATION

One PowerPoint presentation in the template provided. Short explanatory notes may be included in the sidebar to help communicate intent to the jury members. The template provides for these notes. Do not condense your presentation file size.  
Naming convention: XX-Presentation.pdf

b. **DIGITAL BOARD**

One 20" x 30" PDF presentation board in the template provided. Include the Project Title & Statement along with supporting images. Place the firm logo in the upper left corner, confined within a 6" wide x 4" tall area on the front of the board (will be concealed for judging). Firms must not be identified on the front of the board in any location other than the top 6" x 4", upper left corner. AIA MS will professionally print and mount each board for future exhibits as needed and printed boards will remain the property of AIA MS. Include a 1/4" bleed margin in your digital file to allow for trimming. All critical elements must be at least 1/2" from the trim line.  
Naming Convention: XX-Board.pdf

d. **ENTRY FORM**

One electronically completed form with all required information, including Project Title, Project Statement, and basic project information.  
Naming Convention: XX-Entryform.pdf

c. **5 HIGH RESOLUTION PROJECT IMAGES**

Project photos (eg. exterior, interior, special details, etc.) 9.5" x 12.5" horizontal layout with a minimum of 300 dpi in jpeg format. Do not include any watermarks or logos.  
Naming Convention: XX-Image1.jpeg, XX-Image2.jpeg, etc.

d. **1 HIGH RESOLUTION CELEBRATORY IMAGE**

One humorous, celebratory photo of the project team (to be shown following the announcement of an awarded project). A prize will be given for the best picture. 9.5" x 12.5" horizontal layout with a minimum of 300 dpi in jpeg format. Do not include any watermarks or logos.  
Naming Convention: XX-Celebratory.jpeg

**GUIDELINES**

- The Project Statement should include the architect's intent or concept and convey salient information about the project addressing what the architect sees as meritorious from a design standpoint. Issues of sustainable design and construction are of particular interest to the design jurors
- All images and supplemental text shall support the Project Statement and help explain the project to the jurors
- Label plans clearly. Include a site plan with compass rose indicating north and establish the context of the project.
- "Before" images are especially important in the Renovation/Restoration category.
- Images may be layered within any given PowerPoint slide.

**SUBMISSIONS**

**REGISTRATION & PAYMENT:**

<https://form.jotform.com/aiamississippi/2021designawards>

**ENTRY SUBMISSION:**

Once you have compiled the required files, email a zip file to [steve@aiamississippi.org](mailto:steve@aiamississippi.org)  
Naming Convention: XX.zip  
If your entry number is 09, you will submit a zip file named 09.zip that contains the following files:  
09-Presentation.pdf  
09-Board.pdf  
09-Entryform.pdf  
09-Image1.jpeg  
09-Image2.jpeg  
09-Image3.jpeg  
09-Image4.jpeg  
09-Image5.jpeg  
09-Celebratory.jpeg

**QUESTIONS**

Contact Steve Pickering by email at [steve@aiamississippi.org](mailto:steve@aiamississippi.org).

THANK YOU  
FOR YOUR  
PARTICIPATION  
IN THE  
AIA|MS DESIGN AWARDS  
AND  
BEST OF LUCK!