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2021 Architectural Awards Recipients

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14 Projects were Awarded from among a Record-Breaking 56 Entries

On Saturday evening, October 16, 2021, The American Institute of Architects (AIA), Memphis Chapter, awarded firms and individuals from its 18-county territory for their work and accomplishments over the past year. An oversold crowd filled the Grand Hall at [Central Station Hotel](#), a 2020 Merit Award Winner by Bounds & Gillespie in association with LRK. A record-breaking 56 entries were received, each vying for the coveted cover shot of [folio 2022](#), *The Annual of AIA Memphis*, due out in early 2022.

The awards were juried by a panel of 5 professionals from AIA Grand Rapids including:

- Jury Chair - Dan Tyrer, AIA; GMB Architecture + Engineering
- Andrew Queenan, AIA; Pure Architects
- Anna Pettinga, RA; GMB Architecture + Engineering
- Charlie O'Geen, Assoc. AIA; Kendall College of Art and Design of Ferris State University (MARCH Faculty Member)
- Matthew Christie, AIA; Ghafari Associates

The evening's winners were as follows (highest honor first; projects are in alphabetical order; jury comments included):

- Architectural Design Awards
 - Honor & Sustainability Awards
 - [663 South Cooper](#) by archimania (renovation/restoration category)
"A well-organized planning strategy, connecting indoors and out, that is reinforced by the simple and honest material palette. I appreciate the rigor in achieving a high bar for efficient energy usage." - Dan Tyrer, AIA; Lead Juror
"The authenticity of the design approach here is clear. A simple, yet clever strategy for repurposing the

existing building transformed the site while carefully considering energy usage and achieving a high standard in performance. Excellent daylighting improvements!" - Anna Pettinga, RA

- [Collage Dance](#) by archimania (new construction category)
"A poetic connection of program and community, utilizing intentionally designed indoor and outdoor space. The architecture offers a clean backdrop to celebrate the beauty of dance." - Dan Tyrer, AIA; Lead Juror
"This is the kind of community based project that could bring people back together after being apart through the pandemic. Beautiful, serene, and celebratory all at once." - Anna Pettinga, RA

○ Honor Awards

- [Girls Inc. South Park + LDT Centers](#) by archimania (renovation/restoration category)
"A clear concept for a stronger integration of the building with its context. The design solution elevates the existing building and spaces without erasing the history of what existed before the renovation, creating a new experience that also feels that it would be familiar." - Dan Tyrer, AIA; Lead Juror
"The designers were thoughtful stewards of the client's needs: carefully crafting a transformative design, acknowledging the existing building, and respecting the program by setting an appropriately playful standard for Girls, Inc." - Anna Pettinga, RA
- [Idlewild Presbyterian Church](#) by brg3s architects (renovation/restoration category)
"A clever use of materials and details that creates a contemporary expression while at the same time respecting the historical character of the existing church and mid-century addition." - Dan Tyrer, AIA; Lead Juror
"Smart site moves, considerate interpretation of the existing elevation, and a beautiful transformation of a basement into a bright, airy, ground level learning environment." - Anna Pettinga, RA

○ Merit Awards

- [East Memphis House](#) by archimania (new construction category)
"Purposeful planning of public and private spaces organized in a way that capitalizes on the natural surroundings. Familiar residential forms are employed in a dynamic way." - Dan Tyrer, AIA; Lead Juror
- [James D. Eason Transplant Institute at Methodist University Hospital](#) by archimania (interiors category)
"Clean and clear design concept and detailing. The constraints for healthcare work can be demanding, and this project embraces these to provide a design solutions that is both beautiful and practical." - Dan Tyrer, AIA; Lead Juror
"This project is a fantastic example of how to juggle a tricky program yet put the primary focus on the occupant. The surfaces and material transitions are well designed and considered." - Charlie O'Green, Assoc. AIA
- [Wiseacre Brewery](#) by LRK (new construction category)
"Rather than disparate spaces each with their own feel, the "production" function of the program provides an overall aesthetic that ties the entire project together in a cohesive way. The experience is continually connected to the art of brewing. The manipulation of the pre-engineered building shell creates an artistic community asset both day and night." - Dan Tyrer, AIA; Lead Juror
"A fun beacon of beer in the city, elevating a pre engineered strategy to one worthy of attention at an urban scale." - Anna Pettinga, RA

○ Citation Awards

- [Fossett Paving Co. Headquarters](#) by LRK (new construction category)
"I commend the investment by both the client and architect to transgress what might traditionally be a more nondescript industrial building solution. The project embraces a steel building typology and exploits it to provide a truly unique experience throughout." - Dan Tyrer, AIA; Lead Juror
- [Nash Tiny House](#) by archimania (new construction category)
"A simple yet sophisticated house that offers something new using familiar residential wood construction

techniques. The economy of interior space reinforces the experience of the outdoor natural surroundings.”

- Dan Tyrer, AIA; Lead Juror

- [nexAir Corporate Headquarters](#) by LRK (interiors category)

“A sensitive intervention into the existing building, coupling new, modern elements with a more traditional building shell in a harmonious way. I also appreciate the playful integration of the air tanks to represent the client's organization.” - Dan Tyrer, AIA; Lead Juror

“The simple, subtractive cuts to the existing building add a beautifully lit central space from the material at hand. The addition of white paint brings together old and new creating a lovely backdrop for light and art.”

- Charlie O'Green, Assoc. AIA

- [West Memphis Public Library and Innovation Center](#) by Allen and Hoshall (new construction category)

“A welcoming and fun community feel. The design solution speaks well to the urban and community revitalization goals stated in the project narrative.” - Dan Tyrer, AIA; Lead Juror

- People's Choice Awards
 - Interiors Category: [Gray Canary](#) by LRK
 - New Construction: [Wiseacre Brewery](#) by LRK
 - Restoration & Renovation: [Tennessee Brewery](#) by LRK
- Membership & Service Awards
 - Firm Service Award: Pickering Firm, Inc.
 - Member Service Award: Joyce Selina Love, AIA, NOMA
 - President's Award: Amber Lombardo
 - Past President's Award: Timothy Charles Ogburn, AIA
 - 50 Year Firm Anniversary & Retirement: The Horrell Group
 - 50 Year Retirement: Andrew L. Smith, AIA
 - Elevation to Emeritus: Hugh D. Garrigan, AIA Emeritus, and James H. Murray, AIA Emeritus
 - Newly Licensed:
 - Mark Albert Isinger
 - Eric George Ivers
 - Renee Christine Lartigue
 - John Edward Storms
 - John William Welcher, AIA
 - Takudzwa Lesley Zhou
- University of Memphis Department of Architecture Awards
 - Academic Scholarship 2020: Thắng Nguyễn (Master of Architecture)
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 - Henry Adams Medal: Brock Terwilleger (Master of Architecture)
 - Department of Architecture / AIAS Merit Scholarship: Mason Long (BFA Architecture + BFA Interior Architecture)
 - Jonathan King Medal: Brock Terwilleger (Master of Architecture)

A moment of silence was observed for our members who have passed:

- J. Granville Taylor, AIA Emeritus
- Joseph Townsend Barnett, AIA Emeritus
- Martin E. Gorman, AIA Emeritus
- Terry Eugene DeWitt, AIA Emeritus

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