

Thornton of Thornton Tomasetti awarded 2008 Henry C. Turner Prize on Sept. 9th

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The National Building Museum presented the 2008 Henry C. Turner Prize for Innovation in Construction Technology to Charles Thornton, Ph.D., P.E., co-founder of Thornton Tomasetti, Inc., the international engineering design firm and founder of the Architecture, Construction and Engineering (ACE) Mentor Program of America, on September 9th at the National Building Museum. The Turner Prize, named after the founder of Turner Construction Co., recognizes an invention, an innovative methodology, and/or exceptional leadership by an individual or team of individuals in construction technology. The prize carries a cash award of \$25,000 from an endowment established by Turner Construction Co.

Through his inspirational work in founding the ACE Mentor Program, Thornton introduces high school students to careers in the building arts and sciences. ACE and Thornton have worked to connect students with mentors in the profession and provide college scholarships.

Thornton has helped grow the ACE Mentoring Program of America into a national program with affiliate organizations in 31 states, and involvement of 45,000 students nationwide.

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