



AIA New York selects winners of 2024 Design Awards

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Manhattan, NY On January 8, a jury of independent architects, educators, and planners from outside New York City convened to select the winners of the 2024 AIA New York Design Awards. Later that evening, the jurors publicly announced the 22 winning projects at a symposium, free and open to the public, hosted at the Center for Architecture and on Zoom.

The selected projects and the architecture firms that designed them represent the exceptional work by AIA New York members and architects practicing in New York City. Awards were conferred in four categories: architecture, interiors, projects, and urban design. Each winning project, granted either an “Honor”, “Merit”, or “Citation”, was chosen for its design quality, response to its context and community, program resolution, innovation, thoughtfulness, and technique. Submitted projects had to be completed by AIANY members or architects/designers practicing in New York, or be New York projects designed by architects/designers based elsewhere.

Selected from among nearly 200 project entries, the winners range from temporary installations and exhibitions to large-scale urban interventions. 13 of the 22 winners are projects located in New York State. One single winning project is outside the US in Quebec, Canada, while the remaining domestic awardees span Connecticut, Massachusetts, Michigan, New Jersey, South Carolina, Texas, and Virginia.

Collectively, the jury seemed to stress the importance of details at the human scale, as well as each project’s ability to improve our experience of the built environment, regardless of size.

Pointing to some of the smaller scale projects, juror Fuensanta Nieto, founder, Nieto Sobejano Architectos, said, “We loved projects like The Refreshing Waters and the benches at Newark as you have to see them for what they are. Rather than assessing them in relation to larger projects, you must think of them as making people’s lives better. We think that is the way that architecture and interior design should go.”

“The Refreshing Water projection in particular,” said juror David Darling, FAIA, founder, Aidlin Darling Design, “is not about eye candy, but rather the idea. We’re judging the concept and how it improves the human condition.”

Many large-scale projects are celebrated as winners, including Perelman Performing Arts Center, affordable housing at Bedford Green House I, the International African American Museum, and the Richard Gilder Center for Science, Education, and Innovation at the American Museum of Natural

History.

Of the latter, juror Andrew Thompson, AIA, NOMAC, LEED AP BD+C, county architect, Passaic County of New Jersey, said, "This is an accessible entrance. People come in and they get some sense of how the museum is organized. How many buildings do you come into that suggest right away how they are organized? I in particular thought this was a blessing... I'm pleased we found a way to give this extraordinary accomplishment an award."

Honors And Awards Luncheon

Winning projects will be recognized at the Honors and Awards Luncheon, scheduled for Thursday, April 12, at Cipriani Wall Street.

Exhibition

The Center for Architecture will host an exhibition of the winning projects, opening Thursday, May 2, 2024, at 6:00 pm, and on view through September 3, 2024.

2024 AIANY Design Awards Jury

Sofia Aspe, Founder, Sofia Aspe Interiorismo

David Darling, FAIA, Founder, Aidlin Darling Design

Frank Harmon, FAIA, Founder, Frank Harmon Architect Brian Johnsen, AIA, Founder, Johnsen Schmalig Architects Mark Lee, Founder, Johnston Marklee

Fuensanta Nieto, Founder, Nieto Sobejano Architectos

Andrew Thompson, AIA, NOMAC, LEED AP BD+C, County Architect, Passaic County of New Jersey

Award Recipients

Design Awards 2024 Statistics:

22 awards conferred

Architecture – 14 total (4 honors; 7 merits; 3 citations)

Interiors – 3 total (1 honor; 2 merits)

Projects – 4 total (2 honors; 2 citations) URBAN DESIGN – 1 total (1 merit)

Architecture

Honors

Saint Sarkis Church and Community Center Design Architect: David Hotson Architect Architect of Record: Calvert & Co./Architects, Inc. Associate Architect: Terzyan Design

Landscape Architect: Garden Transformations Location: Carrollton, TX

(Honor in Preservation) Trinity Church Wall Street Architect: MBB Architects

Restoration Architect: Building Conservation Associates Landscape Architect: MNLA

Location: New York, NY

Perelman Performing Arts Center Architect: REX

Executive Architect: Davis Brody Bond

Interior Design (Lobby, Restaurant): Rockwell Group Location: New York, NY

MIT Kendall Square Site 5 Architect: Weiss/Manfredi Architect of Record: Perkins+Will Location: Cambridge, MA

Merits

Lasting Joy Brewery Architect: Auver Architecture Location: Tivoli, NY

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Architect: TenBerke Location: New Haven, CT

Bedford Green House I Architect: ESKW/Architects

Landscape Architect: Billie Cohen, Ltd.

Location: Bronx, NY

m.o.r.e CLT Cabin Architect: Kariouk Architects

Location: Wakefield, Quebec, Canada

Brooklyn Public Library East Flatbush Branch Architect: LEVENBETTS

Location: Brooklyn, NY

Powerhouse Arts

Architect: PBDW Architects

Design Architect: Herzog & de Meuron Landscape Architect: Ken Smith Workshop Location: Brooklyn, NY

International African American Museum Architect: Pei Cobb Freed & Partners Associate Architect: Moody Nolan Landscape Architect: Hood Design Studio Location: Charleston, SC

Citation for Placement and Section

Robert Olnick Pavilion

Architects: Alberto Campo Baeza and MQ Architecture Location: Cold Spring, NY

Citation for Reimagining of Traditional Trellis Construction

Moody Amphitheater at Waterloo Park Architect: Thomas Phifer and Partners

Landscape Architect: Michael Van Valkenburgh Associates Location: Austin, TX

Citation for a Comprehensive Reorganization of Interior Space

Richard Gilder Center for Science, Education, and Innovation at the American Museum of Natural History

Architect: Studio Gang

Architect of Record: Davis Brody Bond Landscape Architect: Reed Hilderbrand Location: New York, NY

Interiors

Honors

Galerie56

Architect: SheltonMindel Location: New York, NY

Merits

Arts & Letters Creative Co. Architect: ARCHITECTUREFIRM Location: Richmond, VA

Schiff House Daycare Center at CCNY Architect: Michielli + Wyetzner Architects Location: New York, NY

Projects

Honors

Newark Liberty International Airport, Terminal C, Recomposure Benches Architect: HNTB

Location: Newark, NJ

The Refreshing Waters Architect: Interboro Location: Bronx, NY

Citation for Intention to Resolve an Urban Problem

NYCHA Waste Yard Redevelopment Landscape Architect: Grain Collective Architect of Record: NDNY PLLC

Waste Management: Center for Zero Waste Design Urban Design: architectureRED

Location: New York, NY

Citation for Innovation in Microarchitecture and Urban Planning

Mini Tower One Architect: MODU Location: Brooklyn, NY

Urban Design

Merit

After School Detroit: Detroit Vacant Historic Schools Disposition Strategy Architect: Interboro

Location: Detroit, MI

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