DEADLINES
Registration Deadline: September 10, 2020 by 11:59pm Pacific Time
Submission Form Sent Out by AIA California: September 11, 2020
Submission Deadline: September 25, 2020 by 11:59pm Pacific Time

FEES
There is a non-refundable entry fee of $250 per each Residential Design Awards entry. This fee must be paid online at the time of registration. No refunds will be given for entries that are disqualified, late, or incomplete. No credits will be given for future submissions.

ELIGIBILITY
- Must be an AIA Member
- Architects with a California license may submit built projects located anywhere in the world
- Architects licensed in other states may only submit built projects located in California
- Submissions must be built projects completed on or after January 1, 2012
- Cannot be a 2020 AIA California Design Awards recipient

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS
Each completed submission package must follow these guidelines. Your entry will be disqualified if it does not contain the required elements.
- Project Portfolio
- Housing Common App

CATEGORIES
You will select which category your project falls under. While a Residential Design Award is not given based on category, projects with the same category will be looked at together.
- Single Family Residential: Any residential space intended for one family
- Multi-Family Residential: Any residential space intended for two or more families. This category should not include university dorms, hotels, or any other commercial, institutional or education project
- Affordable: Affordable to those with a median household income or below as rated by the national government or local government by a recognized housing affordability index
- Accessory Dwelling Unit: A second small dwelling right on the same grounds (or attached to) a regular single-family house, such as: an apartment over the garage, a tiny house (on a foundation) in the backyard, or a basement apartment
- Unbuilt: Any unbuilt residential project. This category can include design concepts with no intention of being built
PORTFOLIO GUIDELINES

- Submitted in PDF format
- Landscape orientation
- No more than 8MB and 10 pages
- Must include a readable site plan, with North arrow indicated clearly
- Must include at least one floor plan
- Must include sections and elevations
- Must include at least one sustainable design strategies diagram
- No text should be included within the portfolio, however, picture captions are acceptable
- Photos must be clear and concise, with a high resolution
- Recommended to include at least one picture of the project within the surrounding area for context
- Can include more than one picture to a page
- Do not reveal the firm name or architect of record
- For unbuilt projects renderings are accepted

When filling out the Common App, pay particular attention to Measure 6, Design for Energy. Make sure you are providing the correct EUI information. If energy modeling or LEED (or similar) documentation was implemented, you should be able to get the correct EUI from that documentation. If only Title 24 Compliance documentation was completed, see the instructions and calculator for calculating site EUI from Title 24 compliance documentation. Missing or incorrect information will result in lower technical review scores.

TECHNICAL REVIEW

Based on the performance metrics listed in the Common App, all entries will undergo a technical review by a panel of architects and engineers for how well each project succeeds in achieving sustainability and building decarbonization goals. Each project will be reviewed independently by 3 panelists and the average score will be given to the jury. Providing incorrect information or failing to provide information will lead to lower technical scores.

ADDITIONAL TIPS

- Project ID numbers are not required
- Please keep your project title to a minimum and list the name as you would want it shown in a winner announcement, should your project be selected
- Include the correct name and spelling of the Firm and architect of record in Submittable with how you want it reflected on the award certificate, should your project be selected
- If you list the firm name or do not meet all the requirements, your project will be disqualified
- No submission deadline extensions will be given

QUESTIONS

Visit https://aiacalifornia.org/residential-design-awards/ or contact Debbie Salindo at dsalindo@aiacalifornia.org.