



AIA California’s Academy for Emerging Professionals Awards Program strives to advance local and regional excellence which recognizes and celebrates those who contribute to assisting Emerging Professionals and their colleagues in pursuing their personal and professional goals.

DEADLINES

Call for Nominations Opens: November 1, 2021

Submittal Deadline: January 9, 2022

AWARDS

Firm Mentorship Award: The highest award given by the AIA CA AEP to an AIA firm that has made an extraordinary effort to mentor Emerging Professionals in their firm through the implementation of specific programs.

Chapter Award: The highest award given by the AIA CA AEP to an AIA chapter in California for the development of superb programming and fostering the highest qualities of leadership within the emerging professional membership.

Associates Award: The highest award given by the AIA CA AEP to an individual Associate AIA member in California, who best exemplifies the highest qualities of leadership and has demonstrated unparalleled commitment to their chapter or region’s membership, the community, professional organizations, and/or design and construction industries.

Young Architects Award: The highest award given by the AIA CA AEP to an individual Young Architect in California who has shown exceptional leadership and made significant contributions to the profession in the early stage of their architectural career.

Student Leader Award: The highest award given by the AIA CA AEP to an individual student in California, for their outstanding leadership, dedication, and commitment to the consistent growth and development of their AIAS chapter, school and/or community.

Educator Award: The highest award given by the AIA CA AEP to an Educator in California, for their outstanding contribution to the formal education of architecture students.

ELIGIBILITY

- Must be nominated by a chapter president, member of AIA California’s Board of Directors, an Educator or a member of the College of Fellows.

- Exhibits exceptional skill and leadership
- Cannot be a recipient of an Academy for Emerging Professionals Award within the last five years
- Student Leader Award: Student members of AIAS or AIA who are currently enrolled in an architectural program in California.
- Educator Award: AIA members who are educators at a post-secondary Architectural Program in California.
- Firm Mentorship Award: AIA member led firms located in California that actively support interns in the pursuit of licensure and provide professional opportunities for emerging professionals.
- Chapter Award: Local AIA chapters in California that have developed creative programs for its Emerging Professionals to enhance active and consistent chapter participation at local, state and national levels.

SUBMISSION REQUIREMENTS

Submitted in a single PDF document in portrait orientation, 8 ½ x 11 paper size. Submission is not to exceed 10 pages and 8MB.

Page 1: Statement of contribution.

Page(s) 2 - 3: Biography and/or resume.

Page 4 - 5: Two letters of support that are explicit in their recommendation.

Pages 6 - 10: Supporting documentation, which can include summaries of mentorship materials, program involvement, additional letters of support, materials that exhibit the character of the nominee or chapter, copies of marketing materials or newspaper clippings. Educator Award only: titles of courses taught, and programs administered by the nominee with brief descriptions of each.