AIAS Design Review Competition

Win $250 in cash prizes!

The AIAS is proud to announce the eighth annual Design Review Competition. The goal of the Design Review is to incorporate design/research peer reviews into FORUM. This provides an opportunity to see student work from across the country and helps promote FORUM as a scholarly venue. The Design Review competition welcomes submissions to two defined categories with final awards determined by a peer jury (including students, faculty and professionals) at FORUM.

There are two divisions in the competition. The first is for first and second year students, as well as those enrolled in two year Associate degree programs. The second division is open to students in their third year of a program through the graduate level.

There is no entry fee required to participate in the competition. All information and materials needed to successfully participate in the competition to be showcased at the FORUM Design Review are contained in this program document and available online.

ELIGIBILITY
The competition is open to all students of architecture worldwide. Entries will be accepted for individual as well as team solutions in one of two defined categories. Submissions should be principally the product of work in a design studio or related class. Projects must have been completed in the past two years to be eligible for the competition.

CATEGORIES
1. Architecture/Urban Design
2. Open Plan (photography, graphic art, stage design, furniture, etc.)

DIVISIONS
1. First and second year students, two year Associate degree programs
2. Third year through the graduate level students

EVALUATION
Award-winning entries will be selected from the submitted entries presented at FORUM 2007 in Milwaukee, December 29, 2007-January 1, 2008. A peer jury (including students, faculty and professionals) at FORUM will determine the award winners and honorable mentions.

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS
Tier One – A submission form for each project must be submitted via email to webmaster@aias.org by Monday, December 3, 2007.

Tier Two - Projects must then be submitted on *no more than four* 20" x 20" (50 cm x 50 cm) illustration, foamcore, or other stiff lightweight mounting boards. Any other type of presentation (un-mounted, three-dimensional, or mounted on wood, metal or glass) will be disqualified. The ultimate goal for a submission should be an aesthetically pleasing design combined with a thoughtful presentation of its building and/or technical information.

Entries chosen for review at FORUM must be hand-delivered or shipped to the host hotel. Shipped entries should be packed in cardboard boxes or sturdy wrapping. Wood crates and other excessive packaging materials are **not** permitted; *do not* tape trace paper or any other type or protective materials to individual boards; *do not* use excessive bubble wrap or shipping materials, such as packing "peanuts"; do **not** use excessive amounts of tape on interior or exterior wrappings. These requirements are designed specifically to reduce waste and energy and must be adhered to strictly.

The names of student participants, their schools, or faculty sponsors must **not** appear on the front of any board. An **unsealed** envelope holding a copy of the completed project submission form (see below) and design essay must be affixed to the back of each board. All boards should be numbered on the back in the order in which they should be viewed (e.g., 1 of 4, 2 of 4, etc.).

All presentations must be suitable for black-and-white reproduction. Students may use color if desired, but must ensure that distinct colors will be readily distinguishable tones when photographed in black-and-white. Entries may be either originals or high-quality reproductions (if original drawings are submitted, please make sure that adequate reproductions are made before submission).

Participants should make adequate photographic and/or digital (300 dpi) reproductions of their presentation drawings prior to submissions. Winning entries will be required to submit photographic and/or digital reproductions for use in publications and exhibit materials.

All entries must be *received* at the FORUM host hotel by 5:00 P.M., December 29, 2007.

DESIGN ESSAY
A 500-word essay (in English) should appear as part of the presentation boards describing the most important concepts of the design project. Keep in mind that the presentation should graphically convey the design solution and context as much as possible, and therefore should not rely upon the design essay for a basic understanding of the project.

SUBMISSION FORM
Each project **must** be accompanied by a completed project submission form (see below). A copy of the completed form must be enclosed in an **unsealed** envelope firmly affixed to the back of each board. A copy of the design essay must also be included with the project submission form.

SCHEDULE
December 3, 2007
Deadline for receipt of submissions via email
December 29, 2007
Presentation boards must be submitted at FORUM by 5pm
December 30, 2007-January 1, 2008
Peer jury and display of projects throughout FORUM
January 1, 2008
Announcement of winners and awarding of prizes
Spring 2008
Winners published in *Crit*

AWARDS
Submitted projects will be displayed at FORUM 2007. Winners will be notified of the competition results on January 1, 2008. Winning entries in each division receive a cash prize of $250. A press release listing all winning projects will be posted on the AIAS Web site at www.aias.org, as well as in *AIASinfo*, the bi-monthly electronic newsletter of the AIAS. Winning submissions will be published in the spring issue of *Crit*.

IMPORTANT NOTES
The AIAS reserves the right to publish drawings, written descriptions, and photographs of entries, and the names of student entrants, without compensation. Winning entries will be required to submit photographic and/or digital reproductions for use in publications and exhibit materials.

FOR MORE INFORMATION
Program updates may be found on the AIAS Web site or by contacting:
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SUBMISSION FORM

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A separate copy of this form must be completed for each project submitted for review. Be sure to complete this form in its entirety.

Name and University/College

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Title of project submission

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Project submission category

Division One - Architecture/Urban Design ❏   Division One - Open Plan ❏

Division Two - Architecture/Urban Design ❏   Division Two - Open Plan ❏

Level of study (year and degree program)

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Student(s) contact information – mailing address, phone, fax, and e-mail

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Date submitted

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Please note that due to the means and number of entries, AIAS is not able to otherwise acknowledge receipt of registrations; please keep a copy of your submission form for your records as verification.