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AIA MICHIGAN DESIGN AWARDS ANNOUNCED

May 31, 2018 – Detroit, Michigan – The American Institute of Architects Michigan announced 12 buildings singled out for design excellence and will receive their awards at its annual Design Awards Celebration on June 8 at The Roostertail in Detroit, Michigan. Dozens of projects were entered in the competition and they were judged by an esteemed jury from New York, NY, chaired by Katherine Chia, FAIA, Desai Chia Architecture.

The following is a list of the winning projects by category:

BUILDING CATEGORY:

Biosciences Building

Mt. Pleasant, MI

Architect: Stantec Architecture Inc

Contractor: Clark Construction

Photos: Justin Maconochie

Jury Comment: A finely detailed façade, generous technical spaces and student-centered details and spaces, such as its 'living wall' make for a science building that focuses more on its inhabitants than its equipment. The main auditorium, with its sawtooth roof, epitomizes this projects attention to experience and place at every scale.

Genesee Career Institute

Flint, MI

Architect: Stantec Architecture Inc

Contractor: Barton Malow Company

Photos: Justin Maconochie

Jury Comment: This project is to be commended not only for taking a banal building and creating a wonderful new presence to the neighborhood, but for also extending that transparency to its very noble goals for the residents of the neighborhood and a city that is long overdue for positive transformations.

Foundation Hotel

Detroit, MI

Architect: McIntosh Poris Associates

Contractor: Sachse Construction

Photos: Jason Keen, Joe Vaughn, Chris & Michelle Gerard

Jury Comment: Beautifully restored, finely detailed, this is a great example of adaptive reuse.

Pleasant Street Residence

Saugatuck, MI

Architect: Lucid Architecture

Contractor: Zahn Builders, Inc.

Photos: Eric De Witt

Jury Comment: This project channels the 1950's with surgical precision and extraordinary detail, lovingly recreating proportions, materials and details with contemporary technology and approaches to create something that is both homage and groundbreaking.

Phyllis Fratzke Early Childhood Learning Laboratory

Grand Rapids, MI

Architect: Stantec Architecture Inc

Contractor: Rockford Construction

Photos: Justin Maconochie

Jury Comment: This assemblage elevates architecture for children, offering a wealth of space and finely detailed learning environments.

Ariens Hill Sledding Hill Pavilion

Green Bay, WI

Architect: ROSSETTI

Contractor: Miron Construction

Photos: Rafael Gamo

Jury Comment: The building demonstrates a great combination of program and form that undoubtedly provide a memorably experience.

A. Alfred Taubman Wing

Ann Arbor, MI

Architect: Integrated Design Solutions

Contractor: The Christman Company

Photos: James Halfner

Jury Comment: A building designed to inspire the next generation of architects is a prime example of how contemporary architecture can bridge the gap between theory and practice – a building that is at once both formally rigorous and programmatically generous.

INTERIOR CATEGORY:

University of Michigan South Quadrangle Renovation

Ann Arbor, MI

SmithGroupJJR

Contractor: Clark Construction

Photos: Liam Frederick, Scott Soderberg, Austin Thomason, Eric Bronson

Jury Comment: This interior is the best student dining facility we've seen, and raises the bar for creating a series of unique and varied environments for students to gather, eat, and study.

Prime + Proper

Detroit, MI

Architect: McIntosh Poris Associates

Contractor: Milo Building Company Inc.

Photos: Chris and Michelle Gerard & Aly Berman

Jury Comment: As textured and marbled as an exquisite cut of meat, the rich interiors of this restaurant elevate the dining experience to new levels of comfort and extravagance.

LOW BUDGET/SMALL PROJECT CATEGORY:

Airport Viewing Pavilion

Grand Rapids, MI

Architect: Mathison|Mathsion

Contractor: Owen Ames Kimball Company

Photos: Jason Keen Photography

Jury Comment: This simple and expressive pavilion provides a provides a serene viewing platform beneath a soaring dynamic form.

STEEL AWARD CATEGORY; Presented by GLFEA:

Hinterland Brewery

Green Bay, WI

Architect: ROSSETTI

Contractor: Schuh Construction

Photos: Rafael Gamo

Jury Comment: This striking use of metal, inside and out, illustrates the many imaginative ways steel can be used, and creates a fabulous environment and a strong exterior statement.

SHEET METAL AWARD CATEGORY; Presented by SMACNA:

Capital Area Multimodal Gateway

East Lansing, MI

Architect: DLZ Michigan, Inc.

Contractor: Laux Construction

Photos: DLZ Michigan, Inc: Eric Beaulieu

Jury Comment: This project combines a common building material, sheet metal, with an often overlooked building component, the soffit, to create a pleasurable experience for travelers. It elevates an important piece of public transportation infrastructure to create true public space.

The American Institute of Architects Michigan also announced the contributors to the design and built environment communities who have been singled out to receive prestigious recognition awards at the award ceremony.

There are 10 recognition categories and 13 award winners this year.

Gold Medal Award: Michael Neville, FAIA, Neville Design Group formerly with Ghafari Associates

Associate Member Award: Crystal Tocco, Associate AIA, WTA Architects

Firm of the Year: Progressive|AE, Grand Rapids

President's Award: Jack Bullo, AIA, HED

Balthazar Korab Award: Michael Hodges, The Detroit News

Robert Hastings Award: Stephen Smith, AIA, TMP Architecture, Inc.

Young Architect Award: Katy Litwin, AIA, Integrated Design Solutions

Honorary Affiliate Award: Damian Hill, Hon. Aff. AIAMI, Associated General Contractors of Michigan

Michigan Architectural Foundation Leadership Award: Jeanne & Ralph Graham

College of Fellows: Craig Borum, FAIA, PLY Architecture

Cynthia Hayward, FAIA, Hayward & Associates, LLC

James Nicolow, FAIA, Lord Aeck & Sargent Architecture

Dawn Zuber, FAIA, Studio Z Architecture