



Structural Engineers Association of Wisconsin
Excellence in Structural Engineering Awards 2014

Objective:

To recognize excellence and innovation in structural engineering projects designed by SEA-WI member firms.

Mission Statement:

The Structural Engineers Association of Wisconsin (SEA-WI) Excellence in Structural Engineering Awards will recognize projects demonstrating exceptional innovation, creativity and constructability.

Eligibility/Entry Fee:

- Construction of all projects must have been substantially completed after January 1, 2013. New buildings, renovations (including structural upgrades), and transportation structures are eligible for entry.
- Projects may be located both nationally and internationally.
- For firms with multiple offices, at least 80% of the structural design work must be completed by the firm's branch office located in Wisconsin.
- Entries are limited to one per firm per category. Previous entries may not be resubmitted.

Entry Fee (Due with Entry by October 10, 2014)

\$25 (For SEA-WI members and their firms)

Categories of Awards:

Awards will be presented in two project categories:

1. Project under \$5M in construction cost.
2. Project over \$5M in construction cost.

Construction Cost:

The stated construction cost of the entry shall be the approximate construction cost of the facility being entered, exclusive of site construction costs or the cost of other portions of the project.

Judges:

The selection of award recipients will be made by a Jury of Professionals. There will be a jury made up of three SEA-WI members. Judges and their firms are not eligible to submit projects.

Judging Criteria:

Projects will be judged on their overall structural engineering achievement based on the following five criteria:

1. Creativity of structural design
2. Technical innovations and their influence on design
3. Ingenuity of design for efficient use of material and labor
4. How the design solved unusual problems
5. Quality of execution

Point values will be assigned (1 to 10) in each criterion for a total of 50 points max. Entrants should consider all phases of the project, including the plan, design, and construction.

Preparation Guidelines:

- Project entries must submit their online application with entry fee prior to October 10, 2014.
- Entries will be limited to a maximum of (12) 8.5" x 11" sheets submitted via SEA-WI website as a PDF document. Entry form link is located under the Awards tab on the website.

Presentation of Awards:

Awards will be announced at the SEA-WI – Fall Conference to be held in early November 2014.

The Awards Coordinator will notify winners by email prior to the meeting. Finalists will be requested to make a 15 to 20 minute presentation about their project at the Fall Conference.

Ownerships and Publication of Entries:

All entries become the property of SEA-WI and will not be returned. SEA-WI reserves the right to use or publish some or the entire material in publications. By entering, the entrant grants a royalty-free license to SEA-WI to use any copyrighted material submitted. Such right includes publication of photographs and names of award winners without compensation to entrants.

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