

2023 APA Awards for Excellence Entry Form

Projects may be submitted for the Design and Manufacturing Awards and/or the Craftsmanship Awards. Please check one or both of the boxes below.

DESIGN & MANUFACTURING AWARDS

CRAFTSMANSHIP AWARDS

To complete this form, click on each shaded area and type in your information. Each shaded area must be complete unless otherwise noted. Areas marked with an asterisk (*) are only required if entering into the Craftsmanship Awards. Please also answer the three questions for APA's Precaster on page 5.

Project Name: _____

Location: _____

Architect: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____

* General Contractor: _____

Completion Date: _____

Precast Producer: _____

SUBMITTED BY

Name: _____

Company: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Telephone: _____ Fax: _____

AWARDS CATEGORIES & DESCRIPTIONS

Projects may be submitted for the Design and Manufacturing Awards and/or the Craftsmanship Awards. Multiple project entries per Producer are allowed and will require a separate entry form for each.

• DESIGN & MANUFACTURING AWARDS •

AWARDS CATEGORIES

Each project may only be entered into one (1) of the following categories PLUS the *Building Green* category, if applicable. If submitting a project only in the *Building Green* category, all questions must be completed under the Entry Description portion of this form. In addition, each project may also be entered into the Craftsmanship Awards if eligible below.

- Commercial** – Office, corporate headquarters, retail outlet, bank
- Educational/Spiritual** – School, university, church, synagogue, etc.
- Medical/Government** – Military, post office, courthouse, hospital, doctor office, outpatient facility
- Hospitality/Entertainment** – Retail, mall, hotel, casino, movie theater, theater
- Residential** – Housing, apartment, condo, single family, dorm, retirement home
- Manufacturing/Industrial** – Warehouse, office-warehouse, parking garage, manufacturing facility
- Trim/Landscape** – Masonry units, cast stone, fountain, ornamental, streetscape
- GFRC** – All GFRC

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- Building Green**– This award distinguishes those architectural precast/cast stone structures that contribute substantially to obtaining LEED points.
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ENTRY DESCRIPTION

Judging Criteria will be based as outlined in the Entry Procedures & FAQ document. You are encouraged to provide brief commentary and descriptions in each of the areas below. This will help showcase the specific use of the architectural precast/cast stone as it pertains to Design and Manufacturing Excellence.

Description of Construction:

1. Include the particulars of construction, any special considerations of note and the extent of precast used in the project.

Designing Excellence:

2. Discuss how the relationship of individual precast elements relates to the whole.

3. How is the project compatible with its natural surroundings?

Concept Excellence:

4. Explain any functional and innovative uses of architectural precast concrete/cast stone.

5. List any unique detailing of precast elements.

Manufacturing Excellence:

6. Review how color and texture consistency was achieved.

7. Describe the degree of difficulty for this project.

Building Green: (Complete only if entering into the Building Green Category. Questions 1-7 should also be completed.)

8. What steps did the Producer or designer take to make the precast structure Green?

9. How did the precast components of the project directly lead to LEED points?

Photos will not be used to determine winner(s) for the Building Green category. Judges will determine winner(s) solely on verbiage above. Please be as detailed and elaborate as possible regarding what makes this project Green.

• CRAFTSMANSHIP AWARDS •

AWARDS CATEGORIES

Check the box below if the precast components of your project are eligible for the Craftsmanship Awards.

- Craftsmanship** – These awards recognize architectural excellence in crafting individual precast units. The Craftsmanship Awards competition focuses on issues such as forming, overcoming obstacles to production and quality of individual components rather than architectural design or finished structures.
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Description of Construction:

1. Describe all aspects of the job such as square feet, number of pieces and mix design.

Noteworthy Craftsmanship:

2. What was unique, special, difficult or unusual about the products or applications?

Gather the following documents for your award submittal:

- Applicable Shop Drawings/Tickets for Design and Manufacturing (PDF)
 - Maximum of Ten (10) High Resolution Individual Photos per entry and per award category. No photo collages accepted.
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Please complete the last page to potentially be included in an article for APA's Precaster.

• PRECASTER QUESTIONS •

1. In your view, what made this project worthy of consideration for an APA award?

2. What was or were the most challenging aspect(s) of this project?

3. What did you learn on this project that should be a best practice or shared with others?

4. On a complex project, there is often an “if we only knew ” moment. Was there any such moment in this project?

5. Is there any individual or team (mold shop/finishers, etc.) that you would like to recognize?

6. Share one fun fact (like miles of moldings or acres of veneer) that made this project unique.

7. Please include anything else you would like to share about this project.

Don't forget to send any additional documents or photos to info@archprecast.org or if the files are too large you can send it through Drop Box, Google Drive, or another cloud storage/transfer processor.