

2010 MBA BUILDING EXCELLENCE AWARDS PROGRAM CALL FOR ENTRIES

*Improving our region,
One building at a time!*

Award Categories

- Best New Construction Over \$10 Million
- Best New Construction Under \$10 Million
- Best Renovation Construction Over \$10 Million
- Best Renovation Construction Under \$10 Million
- Excellence In Craftsmanship–Interior
- Excellence In Craftsmanship–Exterior



The Building Excellence Awards are the highest and most sought-after commercial construction industry awards in Western Pennsylvania. Since its inception in 1994, the Building Excellence Awards program has portrayed the positive impact of the construction industry in our region. Past winning projects include educational buildings on our country's finest campuses; healthcare facilities for our globally-recognized medical industry; recreational and religious structures for the spirit, soul and mind; plus sports stadiums suitable for world champions. Does your firm build Excellence? If so, prove it by submitting in this year's **Building Excellence Awards** Program.



DEADLINE TO SUBMIT: FRIDAY, OCTOBER 1, 2010 AT 4:00 PM

Entry Rules

The MBA Building Excellence Awards competition is open to all Regular & Associate members of the MBA & MICA. Projects must have been completed between Jan. 1, 2007 and Sept. 1, 2010 and located within 300 miles of Pittsburgh.

Award Categories

Projects can be entered in the following six (6) categories:

- Best New Construction Over \$10M
- Best New Construction Under \$10M
- Best Renovation Construction Over \$10M
- Best Renovation Construction Under \$10M
- Excellence in Craftsmanship—Interior
- Excellence in Craftsmanship—Exterior

General Rules

For New & Renovation projects, submitting contractor must have a General Contractor, Construction Management-At-Risk or Design-Build contractual relationship with the owner.

** Agency Construction Management delivery system does not qualify for this awards program. **

New Construction—Traditional building construction projects such as office buildings, hospitals, schools, industrial, etc. Note: existing buildings with significant shell modifications will be considered new construction.

Renovation—Interior renovations, restorations, adaptive reuse, etc., with no major shell alteration.

Excellence in Craftsmanship Categories—To submit the contractor must self-perform and specify which trade is being considered. Contractor submitting project must have direct contract with owner or MBA Regular Member.

Interior—Submitted work to include finishes inside the building's shell (millwork, flooring, cabinetry, etc.).

Exterior—Submitted work to include work on the building's shell or area outside the building (masonry/concrete walkways, structural concrete, foundation, site excavation, etc).

Associate Members are encouraged to submit in the Excellence in Craftsmanship categories.

Should a question arise as to the eligibility or category of a project, the MBA Marketing Committee shall make the final determination.

Project Criteria

The following criteria should be used as headings for the written narrative:

- **Customer Satisfaction**—example: innovative ways to interface with client; client relationship before, during and after project; substantial savings; etc.
- **Excellence in Project Teamwork & Management**—coordination; strong management to develop cohesiveness, safety, building trade union relationships, project delivery method; etc.
- **Meeting the Challenge of a Difficult Job**—how did project overcome difficult terrain, restricted work space, adverse elements or conditions, unforeseen circumstances; etc.
- **Innovation in Construction Techniques/Materials**—state of the art technique; utilize new material or material in a new application; etc.
- **Design & Craftsmanship**—unique features, quality of craftsmanship, self-performed; etc.
- **Integration of Green Building Practices**—sustainable design; LEED certification; energy efficiency; etc.

Pictures and letters of testimony from owners, design professionals, sub-contractors and other project team members will enhance the quality of project submittals.

Required Entry Materials

All entries must be assembled in the standard three-ring binder provided by the MBA. **Entries submitted in other binders will be disqualified.** Information in the binders shall include:

- Completed Entry Form found on page 3 of this publication. Please assure accuracy as this information is published in the Building Excellence Awards Brochure.

- A written narrative explaining how the entry meets the criteria. While not mandatory, letters of testimony from a satisfied owner are recommended.

- Entries must include color photos. At least one photo of the finished project is required. It is highly recommended that photos be submitted on a CD in jpeg format in high-resolution. Please label all submitted materials (CDs, photos, etc.) with company name and project title.

- Submitters may also include any additional information (floor plans, site plans, etc.) to illustrate addressing a project criteria item or to express the story of the project.

All submissions will be listed in the Building Excellence Awards Brochure. If a submitted photo may not be used for copyright infringement reasons, it is the entrant's responsibility to alert the MBA as to which photos cannot be used.

DUE DATE

All submissions must be received by the MBA office no later than 4:00 p.m., Friday, October 1, 2010.

A jury will use the criteria listed in this entry form as a guideline in evaluating overall excellence. An interview process will ensue after the submitted projects have been reviewed. Finalists for each category will be named and Finalist projects will be visited (time permitting) and an individual award winner will be determined.

The Construction Industry Evening of Excellence

Award winners will be recognized at the Fourth Annual Construction Industry Evening of Excellence scheduled for Thursday, February 24, 2011, at the Heinz Field East Club.

The Evening of Excellence is our region's most anticipated construction industry event, attracting over 700 professionals for an evening of networking and recognizing the MBA Building Excellence Award Winners!



Master Builders' Association
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**Celebrating Our
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Category

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Company Information

Company: _____

Contact Person: _____ Title: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Project Information

Project Title: _____

Project Location: _____

Type of Contract (GC, CM-at-Risk, Design-Build, Subcontract, etc.): _____

Contract Amount \$: _____ Start-Completion Date: _____

Owner Contact: _____ Phone: _____

Architectural Firm: _____

Architect of Record: _____ Phone: _____

MBA Contractors on Project:

I have read, understand and agree to abide by the rules of the MBA Building Excellence Awards Program. I certify that the information is accurate and I authorize the MBA to use the information and photos.

Entry Submitted By: _____ Date: _____

Entry Fee: \$100 per project (Checks made payable to Master Builders' Association)

Entry Deadline: **4:00 PM, Friday, October 1, 2010**

Direct Entries & Questions to: Jon O'Brien, Director of Communications
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Western Pennsylvania's entire commercial construction industry unites one evening a year in late February to socialize and recognize the contributions that our region's contractors, developers, owners, architects, and craftspeople make to our region. It is the **building** industry that creates our city's skylines, builds and maintains our region's infrastructure, producing **excellence** in our industrial, commercial and residential structures that have the rest of the country envious, but not all of our structures are worthy of the crystal **award**...

The symbol to strive for...



The Construction Industry Evening of Excellence
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