



AEC SHOW ME AWARDS

This award is dedicated to an owner, designer, contractor or subcontractor for the institutional sector. This includes all education and healthcare facilities. The project could be a new building or renovation. The SLC3 recognizes an Exceptional Institutional Facility project submitted by an Owner, Designer or Contractor. Key Team Members will also be honored but the submitting firm will receive the official award along with the owner of the project.

“Exceptional Institutional Facility”

Please complete the nomination form for this award below. This Form **MUST** accompany your submission.

SUBMISSION INFORMATION

Name of Nominee	Organization	Phone/Email
Nominee Submitted by:	Company	Phone/Email

CRITERIA DEADLINE FOR ENTRY: MONDAY, JANUARY 13, 2025 @ NOON

Please provide the Awards Selection Committee with a response to the following criteria to be considered. Note, that we will determine finalists, which will be announced before the event. The winner is to be announced at the Awards Gala. Responses need to match the criteria. Provide examples and supporting information to criteria requests. All criteria are weighted, and the highest-scoring submission will be the winner. Finalists will be announced and honored.

Criteria:

1. Functional Excellence (15)

Purpose Fulfillment: Demonstrates how the facility meets or exceeds the functional needs of its users, such as students, patients, or staff.

Flexibility and Adaptability: Incorporates designs that allow for future modifications or multi-purpose uses.

Operational Efficiency: Includes efficient layouts for ease of use and smooth operations (e.g., workflow in hospitals or flow of students in schools).

2. User-Centric Design (15)

Comfort and Well-Being: Prioritizes natural lighting, acoustics, ventilation, and ergonomic considerations to enhance user experience.

Accessibility: Meets or exceeds ADA compliance standards and provides inclusive spaces for all users, regardless of ability.

User Engagement: Involves end users in the design process to ensure their needs and preferences are addressed.

3. Architectural and Aesthetic Quality (10)

Design Excellence: Combines aesthetic appeal with functionality, creating a visually inspiring yet practical facility.

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Contextual Integration: Reflects and complements the surrounding environment, community, or cultural heritage.

Iconic or Signature Features: Includes unique design elements that distinguish the facility.

4. Sustainability and Environmental Impact (10)

Green Building Practices: Incorporates sustainable materials, energy-efficient systems, and renewable energy sources.

Certifications: Achieves LEED, WELL, or other recognized green building certifications.

Environmental Stewardship: Minimizes waste, conserves water, and enhances the surrounding ecosystem during and after construction.

5. Safety and Compliance (5)

Safety Standards: Adheres to or exceeds safety requirements for the type of institution (e.g., fire safety, patient safety in healthcare, or student safety in schools).

Risk Mitigation: Implements strategies to address risks such as natural disasters or public health emergencies.

Security Features: Includes robust measures to ensure the safety and security of users.

6. Innovation and Technology Integration (5)

Technology Utilization: Incorporates advanced technology, such as smart systems, digital learning tools, or telemedicine capabilities.

Design Innovations: Employs creative approaches to solve complex challenges, such as space optimization or patient flow.

Future-Ready Features: Ensures the facility is equipped for technological upgrades or shifts in institutional needs.

7. Project Execution and Delivery (10)

On-Time Delivery: Completes the project on or ahead of schedule while maintaining quality standards.

Budget Management: Stays within budget while achieving project goals and quality expectations.

Collaboration and Leadership: Demonstrates strong teamwork among architects, engineers, contractors, and stakeholders.

8. Community and Cultural Impact (10)

Community Benefits: Addresses broader societal needs, such as serving underserved populations or enhancing community access.

Cultural Relevance: Reflects or preserves local traditions, values, or history in the design.

Educational or Healing Environment: Creates spaces that inspire learning, promote wellness, or facilitate recovery.

9. Measurable Outcomes (10)

Post-Occupancy Performance: Provides evidence of the facility's effectiveness, such as patient recovery rates, student achievement metrics, or energy savings.

Operational Success: Demonstrates how the facility has improved institutional operations or services.

10. Stakeholder and User Testimonials (10)

End-User Satisfaction: Collects feedback from students, patients, staff, or other users to validate success.

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Stakeholder Approval: Includes positive feedback from project stakeholders, such as administrators or governing bodies.

Evaluation Process

By using these criteria, the award will honor institutional facilities that excel in design, construction, and their transformative impact on users and communities.

Evaluation:

Scoring and Evaluation Process

Weighted Criteria: We will assign weight to each criterion based on its importance to our organization.

Panel Review: A diverse panel of judges representing different industry perspectives will be used to complete impartial evaluations. Highest score will win the award. Nominees will likely be finalists.

Award nominations **MUST** be submitted by **MONDAY, JANUARY 13, 2025**. Please submit your nomination form and response to info@slc3.org. For questions regarding this nomination or the event, call the SLC3 office at 636.394.6200.

SPONSORSHIP: If interested in sponsoring this Award, please contact Lydia Meyer at lydia@slc3.org. Sponsorship is \$500 with sponsor recognition included on the invitation, program, and announced at the event.

By submitting this award nomination, you understand that we may list you as a finalist and will want to see you at our Awards Gala. All finalists and winners will be shared in all our communications and shared by partners of the SLC3. Our communications reach local owners, architects, engineers, consultants, program managers, construction managers, suppliers, labor unions etc.

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