

2020 Honor Award Profile: Medal of Honor for Design



The Medal of Honor for Design Award recognizes architects who, by the high quality and originality of their work, advance the value and public awareness of good architecture and provide inspiration to colleagues and others. For nearly 30 years, Joyce Owens, FAIA has fearlessly pursued openness and clarity in her design concepts, inspiring those around her. She has been a leader in design, favoring contemporary design, and achieving impressive diversity in her work while exuding dedication to innovation, collaboration, debate and cooperative experience.

Before founding Architecture Joyce Owens, she was a co-founding partner at the London-based firm Azman Owens Architects. Owens and her work have received awards from the UK's Royal Institute of British Architects and the AIA and have achieved international acclaim. Elevated to the College of Fellows in 2017, she has been committed to raising public awareness of good architecture and quality design, doing so as an active member of her AIA chapter. The breadth and quality of her work, as well as her impressive dedication to the profession of architecture and AIA, make Owens deserving of the Medal of Honor for Design