For more than 19 years, the Design-Build Institute of America Mid-America Region (DBIA-MAR) has recognized excellence in design-build practices and informed the public of the breadth and value of design-build delivery. We are pleased to invite you to submit your design-build project(s) for the 2019 DBIA-MAR Awards Competition.

All submissions must be received before 5 p.m. (CST) on August 15, 2019. The submission deadline will be strictly observed; no exceptions will be made.
ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

- Design-build projects that have been completed outside the four-state Mid-America Region boundary are eligible if the team meets one of the following conditions:
  - Design-build team is headquartered in Iowa, Kansas, Missouri or Nebraska.
  - Lead architect is headquartered in Iowa, Kansas, Missouri or Nebraska.
  - General contractor is headquartered in Iowa, Kansas, Missouri or Nebraska.
  - Owner is headquartered in Iowa, Kansas, Missouri or Nebraska.
  - Lead engineering firm is headquartered in Iowa, Kansas, Missouri or Nebraska.

- Design-build projects completed within the past five years AND prior to October 1, 2019 are eligible.

- Projects must be performed under a single-source contract between the owner/user and the design-builder.

- Design-build firm with at least in-house general construction and A&E.

- Design-build joint venture between at least the general contractor and the A&E.

- An A&E firm that holds at least a direct sub-contract with the project’s general contractor.

- A general contractor who holds at least a direct sub-contract with the project’s principal design professional.

- The design-build team must have been at-risk for both the project’s cost and the project’s schedule.

- Project submittals must demonstrate successful application of design-build principles and best practices; to include interdisciplinary collaboration in early stages of the project and acceptance of single-entity risk.

- Simply completing projects on-time and within budget (with no litigation) is not a winning criterion, it is a minimum standard for all projects submitted.

- Winning projects will be selected for advanced and innovative application of total integrated project delivery and showing unique solutions for project challenges.

- DBIA-MAR’s Award winners should exemplify principles of interdisciplinary teamwork, innovation and problem solving that characterize successful design-build delivery.

DEADLINES + SUBMISSION FEES

The submission fee is $500 for DBIA members and $600 for non-members. All submissions must be received before 5 p.m. (CST) on August 15, 2019. The submission deadline will be strictly observed; no exceptions will be made.

Entries become property of DBIA-MAR and will not be returned. All corresponding video, interviews and/or promotional materials developed for winning teams is the sole property of DBIA-MAR.
JUDGING

PRIMARY EVALUATION CRITERIA

- How the team successfully achieved owner/user project goals.
- How design-build “best practices” were integrated into the project. Please give project specifics.
- Special emphasis will be placed on the design team’s innovative use of new systems, methods and processes that benefit cost, efficiency/speed, safety, quality and use of technology. Give examples of how these helped meet the owner’s project needs.
- Aesthetics, design quality, functionality and life-cycle are important factors.

JURY

- Impartial experts, selected from DBIA-MAR membership, owners and industry peers will consider the submissions.
- At the jury’s discretion, additional awards may be presented to submissions in each of the categories.
- The jury may choose not to name a winner for any specific category/award based on submissions.
- The jury will be looking for a project with an outstanding design emphasis and may recognize a special award in this area. Projects from across all categories submitted will be examined for such a distinction. The jury is not obligated to make this award.
- The jury’s decisions are final.

DBIA-MAR reserves the right to publish any and all entry materials submitted or any part thereof without compensation. This includes photographs and names of any and all entrants and projects submitted to the awards competition.

POSSIBLE AWARDS

Awards may be given in each category at the discretion of the judges at the following levels:

**Honor Award** – highest scoring project(s) in category.

**Merit Award** – next highest scoring project(s) in category.

**Design Excellence Award** – Honor projects that achieve an owner’s overall aesthetic and functional vision through outstanding design. More than one award may be given in this category.

**Design-Build Project of the Year** – Chosen from all categories, one project with outstanding scores and based on consensus of the jury may be awarded this top achievement in 2019.

PUBLICATION

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SUBMISSION REQUIREMENTS

Submittals should be provided exactly as outlined below in Submission Format. One (1) hard copy of each entry is required along with one (1) electronic version (PDF) of the entire submission on a USB drive. Entries should be bound with design-build entity’s name, address and contact information, as well as project name on the cover. Minimum requirements are clarified in Submission Format below, and are expressly required in the order requested. A signed and dated cover letter on the submitting firm’s letterhead must accompany each entry to include the paragraph below.

"I understand that the contents of this entry and associated material developed for winning teams become the property of DBIA-MAR and will not be returned. I further understand that DBIA-MAR shall have the right to make all text and photographs available for publication without compensation, real or implied, and without claim by contestants against the judging committee, DBIA-MAR, its staff or individual DBIA members."

SUBMISSION FORMAT

Submissions must be provided in the following format:

- One (1) PDF format submission document titled with the project name saved on a USB drive.
- The PDF document must be complete and be organized with sections as directed in the following instructions.
- Provide page numbers in the lower right footer.
- All pages in the submission should be 8.5 x 11" sized in portrait orientation.
- Minimum 10 point font.
- In addition to incorporating photographs into Tab seven of the response, please provide separate, high resolution .jpeg photograph files.
- One (1) hard copy of the submittal is also required.

COVER

Project name, award category, construction completion date and project address. Name, address, email and phone number of key contact person(s) of submitting firm(s).

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY _____________________________(15 PTS)

Part I – Provide an Executive Summary highlighting key aspects and distinctive elements of the project. Please include the who, what, when, why, where and how, in summary format without exceeding two pages.

Part II – In addition to the Executive Summary, please provide verbiage to be used as a video script, capturing the Executive Summary in 500 words or less. This should be a brief recap of the project that may also be used during the awards ceremony.

Part III – Provide the following information exactly as you would like it on an award, should your project submittal receive one:

Project Title:
Project City and State:
Design-Build:*
Designer:*
Owner:*

*Area for Design-Build, Designer and Owner is limited to three lines total. Extra lines will be subject to additional fees.

Note: Part II and III are not included in the two-page limit of Part I.
TAB ONE: PROJECT TEAM (20 PTS)

Describe the design-build entity, the contractual relationships and how risks and rewards were allocated within the group for integrated project delivery and interdisciplinary collaboration to the benefit of the project. Include an organization chart. Identify contact information (name, phone number, email address) for all members of the project team, including:

1. Submitting entity
2. Contractual design-build contract holder
3. General contractor, architect(s), engineer(s), sub-consultant(s) and subcontractor(s)
4. Owner/developer
5. Additional significant team members

TAB TWO: CONTRACTING APPROACH (20 PTS)

Provide the following, at minimum, when describing the contracting approach between the design-builder and owner:

1. How you achieved single-point contractual responsibility.
2. How you achieved project collaboration and innovation.
3. How was equitable risk allocation obtained to the benefit of the project?
4. Describe the process used to select the design-builder (QBS, BVS, low bid, etc.).
5. Indicate the design-build contract format (cost-based, lump sum, etc.) utilized on the project.
6. Provide an example of teaming agreement that was used on this project.

TAB THREE: SAFETY (5 PTS)

Describe your approach to promote a safe environment during both design development and construction — give specific examples of how this approach worked on this project. Provide record of the safety performance for the project including total hours worked on the project, incident rate and any lost time accidents (LTA). Unique safety measures should be described for the judge’s review and point award in this category. Boilerplate safety plans are not acceptable and points deducted.

TAB FOUR: QUALITY APPROACH (30 PTS)

1. Provide a detailed description of the project, contracted scope and goals. Include brief architectural, structural, mechanical, electrical and plumbing discussion. For industrial, process or technically complex facilities, include a brief description of significant project requirements.
2. Describe project innovation as detailed in the judging section.
3. Describe quality assurance process. Identify specific instances where the design-build process encouraged cost control and quality assurance.
4. Describe aesthetic aspects and how they were successfully achieved. Where did these meet Owner needs/requirements or surpass them.
5. Describe overall complexity and how significant challenges were overcome.
6. Include how the design-build process contributed to successful project delivery.
7. Describe how sustainability concepts were incorporated.
8. Include any other unique qualities related to excellence in design aspects of project.

TAB FIVE: SCHEDULE (25 PTS)

1. State contracted and actual contract completion dates. If there were changes, explain why.
2. Describe how the design-build team saved time – should include any innovations, unique processes, etc. that helped achieve time savings.
TAB SIX: COST PERFORMANCE

1. State original and final contract value. If there were changes, explain why.
2. Describe how the design-build team saved money that contributed to enhanced project value to the owner’s benefit. Describe what innovations, if any, were implemented, including the use of new systems, methods and processes.
3. Describe how team collaboration was a part of cost savings.
4. Provide information about the claims and litigation/arbitration history of the project.

TAB SEVEN: OWNER LETTER

Include a letter from the project owner referencing their experience with the project team, benefits of utilizing design-build approach, their overall selection process and specific results of the project.

TAB EIGHT: VISUAL AIDS + PROJECT PHOTOGRAPHY

Visual aids, such as designs, working drawings, etc., must be legible in reduced format measuring 8.5 x 11” or 11 x 17” (folded) and included in bound submission. A minimum of one interior and one exterior photograph is required. Printed submissions must include a minimum of ten 8 x 10” to 8.5 x 11” color photos of the project, with the stipulation for building projects that there be at least one interior and one exterior photo. Submissions must also include digital versions of the photos (at least 300 dpi) on the USB drive for use in presentations during the Awards Gala.

Please clearly identify one photo (landscape orientation) to be used on a plaque should your submittal be identified as a winner this year. Photos and graphics that help illustrate key points of the submittal should be included (i.e.; before and after photos, aerials, etc.).

Please provide photos as high resolution .jpegs rather than embedding images into the PDF or Word document. Please also provide a high resolution .jpeg or .eps file of the submitting firm’s logo. In addition to highlighting the technical achievements and aesthetic concerns of the project, submitters are encouraged to provide photos that also capture the impact of the project on the surrounding community. When possible, please include photos that show the end-user/client using the facility.

TAB NINE: DESIGN-BUILD PROJECT QUESTIONNAIRE

Complete Project Questionnaire located in Appendix A. A separate form for each submission is required.

TAB TEN: LESSONS LEARNED

Please provide a detailed account of the lessons learned during this project and how you will apply those learnings to future design-build projects. The judges will be looking for PROJECT SPECIFICS here, how the team resolved them and how they will enhance performance on future design-build projects.

TAB ELEVEN: RFQ/RFP

Please provide a copy of the owner’s RFQ and RFP from which you were selected. This tab is required to be included only on the USB drive with the electronic version of the submission. Do not submit it with the printed version. DBIA-MAR is collecting these in order to provide a repository for owners seeking examples for their next design-build effort. Feedback on this process that might help another owner is welcome in this section.
TYPE OF PROJECTS TO BE SUBMITTED:

COMMERCIAL – Airports, Hotel/Hospitality, Leisure/Theatre, Museum, Multi-Family, Office, Retail, Sports Facility, Warehouse/Distribution, Other

EDUCATIONAL – Libraries, Public and Private Schools, Universities, Colleges, Other

HEALTHCARE – Hospitals, Medical Clinics, Doctors Office Buildings, Other

INSTITUTIONAL – Correctional, Police and Fire Stations, Church/Worship Facilities, Municipal/Public Building, Other

INDUSTRIAL PROCESS FACILITY – Heavy Manufacturing, Light Manufacturing, Petro/Chemical/Process, Power, Water/Wastewater, Other

CIVIL INFRASTRUCTURE – Bridge, Collection/Conveyance, Environmental, Flood Control, Highway, Marine/Harbor, Rail, Streets, Telecommunications, Transit, Tunnel, Utility, Other
DESIGN-BUILD PROJECT QUESTIONNAIRE

Please fill out the form below and include it under Tab Eight of Submission Format. Please use a separate form for each project.

Name of Project: _______________________________________________________________
Address of Project: _____________________________________________________________

Name of Design-Build: __________________________________________________________
Address of Design-Build: _________________________________________________________
Email / Phone: _________________________________________________________________

Key Design-Build Team Members (Only as Applicable):

Builder Architect Name: __________________________________________________________
Builder Architect Email / Phone: _________________________________________________
Specialty Contractors: __________________________________________________________
Specialty Contractors Email / Phone: _____________________________________________
Engineer(s): __________________________________________________________________
Mechanical: __________________________________________________________________
Mechanical Email / Phone: __________________________________________________________________
Engineer(s) Email / Phone: __________________________________________________________________
Electrical: __________________________________________________________________
Electrical Email / Phone: __________________________________________________________________
Fire Protection: __________________________________________________________________
Fire Protection Email / Phone: __________________________________________________________________
Earth Work: __________________________________________________________________
Earth Work Email / Phone: __________________________________________________________________
Other Key Professionals: __________________________________________________________________
Geotechnical: __________________________________________________________________
Geotechnical Email / Phone: __________________________________________________________________
Other Key Professionals Email / Phone: __________________________________________________________________
Other: __________________________________________________________________
Other Email / Phone: __________________________________________________________________

Which of the following led the design-build team (assumed project risk)?

☐ Integrated Firm  ☐ Builder
☐ Developer  ☐ A/E
☐ Joint Venture  ☐ Other (Please Specify)
Name of Client/Owner: ____________________________________________
Address of Client/Owner: ____________________________________________
Email / Phone: _____________________________________________________

Category of Client/Owner:
☐ Private Corporation  ☐ Non-Profit Corporation
☐ State, Municipal or Local Agency  ☐ Developer
☐ Federal Agency  ☐ Other (Please Specify): ____________________________

Type of Project (Choose One)

Commercial
☐ Airports  ☐ Hotel/Hospitality  ☐ Leisure/Theatre  ☐ Museum  ☐ Multi-Family
☐ Office  ☐ Retail  ☐ Sports Facility  ☐ Warehouse/Distribution
☐ Other (Please Specify): ____________________________________________

Educational
☐ Library  ☐ Public and Private Schools  ☐ Other (Please Specify): ____________________________
☐ Universities  ☐ Colleges

Healthcare
☐ Hospitals  ☐ Doctors Office Buildings  ☐ Medical Clinics
☐ Other (Please Specify): ____________________________________________

Institutional
☐ Correctional Facility  ☐ Church/Worship Facilities  ☐ Municipal/Public Building
☐ Police and Fire Stations  ☐ Other (Please Specify): ____________________________

Industrial Process Facility
☐ Heavy Manufacturing  ☐ Light Manufacturing  ☐ Petro/Chemical/Process
☐ Power  ☐ Water/Wastewater  ☐ Other (Please Specify): ____________________________

Civil Infrastructure
☐ Bridge  ☐ Streets  ☐ Utility  ☐ Flood Control
☐ Collection/Conveyance  ☐ Environmental  ☐ Rail  ☐ Highway
☐ Marine/ Harbor  ☐ Tunnel  ☐ Telecommunications  ☐ Transit
☐ Other (Please Specify): ____________________________________________
**Project Size:** (Area, Volume, Length as Applicable) 

**Project Cost:** (Rounded to the Nearest U.S. Dollar) 

**Schedule:** Start Date: Completion Date: 

**Performance/Success Measures**

Did the project finish at or below budget?  □ Yes  □ No

Did the project finish ahead of schedule?  □ Yes  □ No

Does the project exhibit design excellence?  □ Yes  □ No

**Identify design-build delivery variation used on this project:**

□ Direct Design-Build (design-builder engaged for design and construction from inception of the project)

□ Design Criteria Design-Build (design-builder responds to performance requirements and criteria for design issued by the owner)

□ Preliminary Design Design-Build (the RFP contains preliminary or conceptual design information)

□ Other (Please Specify): 

**Type of procurement/selection process used:**

□ Sole Source  □ Qualifications-based Selection

□ Best Value (technical and price with discussions)  □ Best Value (technical and price without discussions)

□ Meets Criteria/Low Price  □ Low Bid

□ Fixed Budget/Best Design  □ Other (Please Specify): 

**Type of design-build contract commercial terms:**

□ Cost Plus Fee  □ Guaranteed Maximum Price

□ Lump Sum  □ Other (Please Specify): 

**What were the evaluation criteria for selection? (Choose all that apply)**

□ Technical Solution  □ Environmental Sustainability

□ Image/Character of Design  □ Operations & Maintenance Costs

□ Past Performance  □ Financial Capacity

□ Quality of Materials and Systems  □ Management Plan

□ Completion Schedule  □ Construction Cost

□ Energy Conservation  □ Fee

□ Other (Please Specify): 
NOTIFICATION OF AWARD

DBIA-MAR Design-Build Award winners and finalists will be notified in late-September 2019. Notification of actual awards will be announced at DBIA-MAR’s Awards Celebration scheduled for November 15, 2019 with time and venue not yet determined.

PURCHASE ADDITIONAL AWARDS

To ensure all members of the design-build team receive awards, additional plaques and trophies may be purchased with orders placed no later than September 27, 2019. Each winning submission will receive one (1) award free of charge, the cost to order additional awards is yet to be determined.

ENTRY FEES

Check made payable to DBIA-MAR and must accompany each entry.

Members $500  Non-Members $600

Credit Card (will include additional processing fees)

Members $500  Non-Members $600

Pay online via credit card at https://dbia-mar-19-awards-call-for-entries.eventbrite.com

Verification of online credit card payment MUST accompany each entry if fees are paid in this manner.

SUBMIT ENTRIES TO:

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