

# ARCHITECTURAL PROJECT OF THE YEAR



**IF YOU ARE A LICENSED ARCHITECT IN THE STATE OF UTAH, YOU ARE ELIGIBLE TO SUBMIT YOUR FIRM FOR THE 2026 CCIM EXCELLENCE AWARDS FOR ARCHITECTURAL PROJECT OF THE YEAR AWARD.**

**JUDGING PROCESS:** The judging panel will consist of members of the CCIM Board and at large members of the CCIM Selection Committee. Each architectural project will be judged based on the submittal requirements and the information that is provided. All criteria must be addressed in your submittal to ensure the highest score possible.

**AWARDS:** Architectural Project of the year, "Finalists" will be notified in advance of the 2026 CCIM Excellence Awards. It is the CCIM boards intention to have three finalists in each category. Your firm does not have to be involved with CCIM to submit.

## QUALIFICATIONS

1. Project must be more than \$5 Million. Entries must clearly specify the value of the project being entered.
2. Project of any type, from any industry, public or private sectors is eligible.
3. The project entered must not have been completed earlier than January 1, 2025, or later than December 31, 2025. (Completion date will be deemed the date the certificate of occupancy was issued.)
4. Nomination period lasts from January 29th, 2026, thru February 27, 2026.
5. Each entry form must be submitted by deadline date to be considered.
6. The CCIM Selection Committee will score the individual projects. Final scoring will remain confidential.

## SUBMITTAL REQUIREMENTS

1. **EXTERIOR AND INTERIOR PHOTOGRAPHS** - Project photographs (8-10 photos in high resolution) must be submitted with each entry for judging purposes. Photos will also be used for the CCIM Excellence Awards event.
2. **PROJECT DESCRIPTION** - Provide a concise but detailed description of the project. (200 words or less)
3. **CHALLENGES AND TEAMWORK** - Describe any challenges or issues that the design team faced, managed, and overcame during the design process. Be specific about the project challenges and solutions. Also describe how teamwork was used to accomplish the project goals. (300 words or less)

- 4. INNOVATION & CONTRIBUTION TO THE INDUSTRY** - In what ways is this project innovative, or helped to elevate industry standards? Describe any unique design techniques, design elements, materials, or new technology used for the project. How will this help the project benefit the client, community or design industry? (300 words or less)
- 5. DESIGN QUALITY & DETAILING** - Describe how the design team excelled in terms of quality and expectations. How did the architect and key engineers exceed expectations of the client and achieve extraordinary results? (300 words or less)
- 6. OVERALL DESIGN STRATEGY** - What did your team do to ensure the project was designed on time and within budget? (300 words or less)
- 7. HIGH-PERFORMANCE BUILDING OR LEED CERTIFICATIONS** - Provide any High-Performance Building or LEED Certifications that should be considered. (200 words or less)
- 7. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION** - Provide any additional information that should be considered regarding the project. (300 words or less)
- 8. COMPANY LOGO** - Provide your company's Logo in a high-resolution format.

**PLEASE SUBMIT YOUR NOMINATIONS TO THE FOLLOWING INDIVIDUALS BY 5:00 P.M.  
FEBRUARY 27, 2026.**

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