



2009 High School Scholarship Information

OBJECTIVE:

A joint program of the AIA Southwest Washington Chapter and AIA National to aid graduating high school students who plan to pursue architecture as a career and who have been accepted to a university with an accredited architectural degree program (visit www.acsa-arch.org for a list of eligible schools).

SELECTION PROCESS:

The selection will be based upon the student's potential as illustrated by the submittal record of previous academic and non-academic success and a narrative describing why they feel a career in architecture is right for them.

SCHOLARSHIP AMOUNT:

At least two scholarships of \$2,000 each will be awarded in the spring of 2009. If no entry is deemed satisfactory, we retain the right to not award a scholarship.

ELIGIBILITY:

Graduating high school seniors attending a high school in Pierce, Thurston, Lewis, Mason, Pacific, Skamania, Wahkiakum or Grays Harbor Counties in Washington State.

SUBMITTAL MATERIAL:

1. High School transcript through the winter quarter of 2009.
2. Name of university you will attend and proof of acceptance in their architecture program.
3. Resume, including non-academic achievements and interests.
4. Short letters of recommendation from teachers and/or counselors. Two minimum.
5. An essay of not more than 250 words that describes what made you decide to pursue a career in architecture and what you hope to accomplish.
6. Portfolio of artwork, photographs or other work that helps to illustrate talent. This material will be returned if a self-addressed envelope is provided.
7. Complete contact information to include address, phone and email address.

Submittal material to be postmarked no later than **April 24, 2009**

Send to AIA Southwest Washington Chapter at 1201 Pacific Ave., Suite C-2, Tacoma, WA 98402

Questions can be answered by Cheryl Zoltak, Executive Director, at 253-627-4006.

ANNOUNCEMENT OF WINNER(S):

Winners will be announced no later than May 8, 2009

Winners will be invited to attend a Southwest Washington Chapter AIA board meeting on **May 20th** to be presented with the scholarship. A press release will be sent to local media and the students' schools announcing the winners. Winners need to **submit a photo** suitable for publishing on the local and national website.