



FAY JONES SCHOOL OF ARCHITECTURE AND DESIGN  
**2026 HONORS RECOGNITION  
RECEPTION & CEREMONY**



UNIVERSITY OF  
ARKANSAS

Fay Jones School  
of Architecture + Design

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## 2026 Honors Recognition Reception & Ceremony

Vol Walker Hall, University of Arkansas

Thursday, April 9, 2026

**Opening Remarks:** Peter MacKeith, Dean

### Student Scholarships

**Multiple Discipline:** Carl Smith,  
Associate Dean for  
Faculty Development

**Architecture:** John Folan,  
Department Head

**Interior Architecture  
and Design:** Carl Matthews,  
Department Head

**Landscape Architecture:** Ken McCown,  
Department Head

### Remarks from Student Award-Winners

**Honors Program Recognition:** Brian Holland,  
Associate Professor,  
Honors Program Director

### High Academic Honors

**Architecture:** John Folan,  
Department Head

**Interior Architecture  
and Design:** Carl Matthews,  
Department Head

**Landscape Architecture:** Ken McCown,  
Department Head

**Multiple Discipline:** Carl Smith

**Special Announcements:** Peter MacKeith

**Closing Remarks:** Peter MacKeith

*Awards are listed in alphabetical order according to award name and based on category.*

## Multiple Discipline Student Awards

### **Annual Fund Award**

*For a rising fourth-year student who is well-rounded and demonstrates promise of success*

Melanie Ragsdell (IARD)

### **Arkansas Chapter of the Mason Contractors Association of America Scholarship (Endowed)**

*For a well-rounded student in the professional program*

Erick Hernandez-Ruaro (ARCH)

### **Bob and Virginia Beavers Advance Arkansas Endowed Scholarship**

*For students from the Arkansas Delta, with preference given to first-generation students*

Kenzie Ford (ARCH)

Brianna Reynolds (ARSC)

### **CGA Architects Travel Award in Design**

*For a rising third-, fourth- or fifth-year architecture or interior architecture and design student, to be used for any of the school's approved study abroad programs*

Caitlyn Swopes (IARD)

### **Charles C. Hill Jr. Endowed Scholarship in Architecture and Design**

*For a rising third-, fourth- or fifth-year student who demonstrates potential in the design professions*

Colin Barker (LARC)

### **Cromwell Architects Engineers Endowed Scholarship for Excellence in Architecture**

*For a rising second-, third-, fourth- or fifth-year architecture or interior architecture and design student, with preference given to students who graduated from high school in Central Arkansas*

Paige Wyatt (IARD)

### **Dean's Circle Diamond Endowment**

*For rising third-year students who are members of one of the school's student organizations*

Bhavi Patel (ARCH)

Briley Combs (IARD)

McKenna Lessenger (LARC)

### **Edmondo Vitali Endowed Scholarship**

*For students who have high academic standards, to be used for any of the school's approved travel programs*

Jacob Dickman (IARD)

**GBA Italia Travel Award in Architecture and Design**

*For rising fourth-year architecture or interior architecture and design students, to be used for Rome travel*

Ruby Pena (ARCH)

**Harrison French and Associates Designing with Technology Scholarship**

*For a rising third-, fourth- or fifth-year student who demonstrates the use and integration of technology in architectural and interior design through use of illustration, planning and design*

Genevieve Brainard (IARD)

**Jeff Shannon Endowment in Architectural and Design Studies**

*For a rising fourth- or fifth-year student, to assist with approved study abroad*

Lily Roberts (ARCH)

**Jim Etter Parker Advance Arkansas Scholarship**

*For a first-generation Arkansas student who demonstrates academic success*

Kimber Stewart (ARCH)

**John G. Williams Scholarship (Endowed)**

*For a student who demonstrates potential in the professions*

Lydia Rivera Estay (IARD)

**John R. and Judy W. Fletcher Endowed Scholarship**

*For students who demonstrate potential in the professions*

Lillian Weston (IARD)

**Leadership for Climate Action Design Scholarship Endowment**

*For a rising third-, fourth- or fifth-year architecture or interior architecture and design student, who demonstrates design excellence in social and environmental issues*

Christopher Roy (ARCH)

**Lewis Architects Engineers Endowed Scholarship in Honor of D.M. Lewis**

*For a rising second-, third-, fourth- or fifth-year student who graduated from a Pulaski County high school in Arkansas*

Macy James (IARD)

**Marlon and Meryati J. Blackwell Advance Arkansas Endowed Scholarship**

*For a student from the Arkansas Delta with preference given to first-generation students*

Victoria Hassen (ENGR)

**Maurice Jennings International Experience Endowed Scholarship**

*For honors students who will be participating in study abroad*

Dayley Crittenden (LARC)    Skye Lucas (ARCH)  
Naomi Erdman (LARC)    Grecia Nunez (ARCH)  
Molly Freeman (IARD)    Camille Piner (LARC)  
Lucia Gentile (ARCH)    Casey Snyder (ARCH)

**Michael Buono Scholarship for Sustainable Architecture (Endowed)**

*For a rising fourth- or fifth-year student who demonstrates ardent interest in sustainability*

Emily Tomlinson (ARCH)

**Mimi and Jim Hugg Endowed Travel Award in Architecture and Design**

*For a rising fourth- or fifth-year student who graduated from a high school in Central Arkansas, to assist with the Rome study abroad semester*

Beka Ulasewich (ARCH)

**Peter L. Schaudt Memorial Scholarship for Collaborative Design**

*For a rising fourth- or fifth-year architecture or landscape architecture student*

David Patton (LARC)

**Polk Stanley Wilcox Architects Endowed Scholarship in Design Excellence**

*For a rising second-, third-, fourth- or fifth-year architecture or interior architecture and design student, with an opportunity for a paid summer internship*

Piper Berry (IARD)

**Robert B. Norcross Endowed Scholarship in Design Excellence**

*For a rising second-, third-, fourth- or fifth-year architecture or interior architecture and design student, with preference given to first-generation students from Arkansas or Tennessee*

Chloe Balkcom (ARCH)

**Studio Main's Endowed Award in Design Excellence**

*For a rising second-, third-, fourth- or fifth-year student who graduated from a high school located in the Arkansas Delta*

Luzmia Martinez (ARCH)

**Suzanne Lantz Award in Design**

*For a rising second-, third-, fourth- or fifth-year architecture or interior architecture and design student who demonstrates academic success*

Bailey Bruns (IARD)

**Taggart Architects Advance Arkansas Endowed Scholarship in Memory of Jerry E. Currence**

*For a first-generation Arkansas student who demonstrates academic success*

Kevin Estrada (ARCH)

**Tim LaTourette Endowed Scholarship**

*For a rising second-, third-, fourth- or fifth-year student who demonstrates excellence in hand-craft courses*

Marilyn Chavez Razo (IARD)

**Wallace Caradine Memorial Scholarship**

*For a rising third- or fourth-year student who graduated from a high school located in the Arkansas Delta*

Braylan McClure (ARCH)

Architecture Student Awards

**AIA Arkansas Endowed Scholarship for Architecture Excellence\***

*For a rising second-, third-, fourth- or fifth-year student who is a member of AIAS*

Wendi Martinez

**AIA Arkansas Fort Smith Section Michael Lewis Lejong Award in Architecture**

*For a third-, fourth- or fifth-year student from Fort Smith or the surrounding area*

Patrick Mush

**Benson A. Cashion Endowed Scholarship in Architecture and Design**

*For a rising second-, third-, fourth- or fifth-year student who graduated from high school in Central Arkansas*

Felix Marrero

**Brackett-Krennerich & Associates Endowed Scholarship**

*To support international travel for students with outstanding technical ability*

Pedro Robledo

**Bradford K. Shapiro Endowed Scholarship in Architecture and Design\***

*For a rising second-, third-, fourth- or fifth-year student enrolled in the professional program of architecture*

Chloe Balkcom

**BRR Architecture, Inc. Award**

*For a rising fifth-year student with a high grade point average*

Valeria Ortiz

**C. Murray Smart Rome Endowed Travel Award**

*For the third-year student who has excelled in the three required history courses*

Casey Snyder

**Crossland Construction Company, Inc. Scholarship (Endowed)**

*For a rising third-, fourth- or fifth-year student pursuing a Bachelor of Architecture*

Aldo Mora

**Cyrus Sutherland Historic Preservation Alliance Scholarship Award Fund**

*For a student in the architecture or the architectural studies program who has demonstrated interest in historic preservation*

Taygan Brooks

**Dalrymple/Sallis Architecture Endowed Scholarship in Architecture and Design\***

*For a rising second-, third-, fourth- or fifth-year student enrolled in the professional program of architecture*

Tanner Hamilton

**Doug and Melodie Hurley Endowment for Design Excellence and Professional Practice**

*For a rising fourth- or fifth-year student, with an opportunity for a paid summer internship with PB2 architecture and engineering firm*

Kimber Stewart

**E. Fay Jones Traveling Scholarship (Endowed)**

*For the fourth-year architecture student(s) with a high overall and design grade point average*

Jonah Droddy

Wendi Martinez

**EFCO Rome Travel Award**

*For the student(s) with high academic achievement who will participate in the Rome study abroad program during the next academic year*

Leeza Sinai

**Ernest N. Pettit Jr. Memorial Scholarship**

*For the architecture student with the highest scholastic average entering the third year of professional training*

Eliot Posey

**Gwendolyn and Bart Brown Travel Scholarship in Architecture**

*For a fourth- or fifth-year student who graduated high school from Benton County, to be used for one of the approved study abroad programs*

To be announced in Spring 2027

**Howard S. Eichenbaum & Frank J. Erhart Memorial Scholarship**

*For the architecture student with the highest scholastic average entering the final year of professional training*

Kami Hulbert

**Irving N. Hepner Memorial Scholarship**

*For a rising third-year student who exhibits potential for success in the practice of architecture*

Lydia Wilkerson

**James D. Looney Award (Endowed)**

*For a rising fourth-year student with a strong work ethic, to be used for the Rome study abroad program*

Valeria Ortiz

**Jerry and J.C. Wilcox Endowed Scholarship**

*For third- or fourth-year students with a proven academic record and dedication to the community and campus*

Lorena Aquirre

Faith Hilvert

**Jim Etter Parker Endowed Scholarship in Architecture**

*For a rising third-, fourth- or fifth-year student who exhibits proven academic success*

Taygan Brooks

**John K. and Carol Baer Mott Endowed Scholarship**

*For the capable student(s) with great potential, to be used for one of the approved study abroad programs*

Megan Hicks

Mason Pahlow

**Kim D. Reeve Endowed Award in Architecture**

*For a rising fourth- or fifth-year student enrolled in the professional program in architecture*

To be announced in Spring 2027

**Laura Chioldi Memorial Travel Award in Architecture and Design**

*For rising fourth- or fifth-year students, to be used for one of the approved study abroad programs*

Lily Roberts

**Lillian H. McRae Endowed Scholarship in Architecture**

*For rising fifth-year students who graduated from an Arkansas high school*

Zach Badger

Rebekah Ulsawich

**Magar Family Award in Design**

*For a rising third-, fourth- or fifth-year student, with preference given to non-traditional students*

Ethan Webster

**Mitchell Park Scholarship in Architecture**

*For rising second-, third-, fourth- and fifth-year students who show commitment to diversity in the field of architecture*

Carol Dromberger Award — Second year:

Camilla Enderli

Phyllis Roberson Award — Third year:

Nicole Markis

William Fullerton Jr. Award — Fourth year:

Kimber Stewart

Jimmie L. Jones Award — Fifth year:

Pedro Robledo

**Non-Traditional Student Support Award in Architecture**

*For a rising third-, fourth- and fifth-year student, with preference given to non-traditional students*

Gabriel Schlesing

**Paul H. and Joan Seiz Memorial Travel Award (Endowed)**

*For third-year students who demonstrate leadership, creativity, intellectual curiosity and an eagerness to help others*

Summer Barrick

Max Smoke

Ava Caldwell

Jacob Trone

Isai Deloera-Sanchez

**PB2 Architecture and Engineering Honors College International Experience Endowed Scholarship**

*For Honors College architecture students who will participate in study abroad during the next academic year*

Cameron Loftin

**Pella Scholarship for Architecture Design Excellence**

*For a rising fourth- or fifth-year student who demonstrates dedication and hard work*

Johnsy Par

**Ralph O. Mott Scholarship (Endowed)**

*For an architectural studies student with alternate career plans*

Kayla Coachman

**Robert S. Laser Endowed Scholarship**

*For an Arkansas high school graduate who demonstrates dedication and hard work*

Aavi Patel

**Sid Frier Memorial Scholarship**

*For a student in the department of architecture with a high scholastic record*

Mackenzie McCollough

**Terry Rasco Travel Award (Endowed)**

*For a rising fourth-year student to assist with professional or educational travel*

To be announced in Spring 2027

**Tommy Ray and Carolyn Lindsey Polk Scholarship for Design Excellence and Professional Advancement (Endowed)**

*For a rising fifth-year student who demonstrates ambition in design and professional development*

Jayde Blair

**Valerie Turnage and Todd Tucker Memorial Scholarship (Endowed)**

*For AIAS members, selected by peers, who have devoted numerous hours to school activities and service to fellow students*

Abi Minor

Katie Pursley

**William M. Evans Endowed Scholarship**

*For an architecture student who has a strong work ethic and demonstrated commitment to the field of architecture*

Noah Garrison

**Wittenberg, Delony & Davidson, Inc. Endowed Scholarship**

*For rising second-year architecture students with a strong academic record and promise of success*

Jayde Blair

Josephine Barker

Interior Architecture and Design  
Student Awards

**Bogue Louis Ebbrecht Award in Interior Architecture and Design**

*For a rising second-, third-, fourth- or fifth-year student who graduated from high school in Northwest Arkansas*

Marilyn Chavez-Razo

**Interior Architecture and Design Program Scholarship**

*For students who demonstrate academic achievement and to support study abroad travel*

Rebecca Casco Martinez

Brayden Ratliff

Alivia Saenz

**William Stephen Lair Design Scholarship**

*For a rising second-, third- or fourth-year student who demonstrates high academic standards and shows academic promise*

Rebecca Scheiderer

Landscape Architecture Student Awards

**Arkansas ASLA Student Chapter Book Award**

*Awarded to a first- or second-year ASLA student member who shows great interest in advancements in the field*

Kyle Hartman

**E. Lynn Miller Creative Writing Award**

*For a student who demonstrates creative writing as it relates to landscape architecture*

Ty Demmelmaier

**Flower, Garden and Nature Society of Northwest Arkansas Book Award**

*For a landscape architecture student who, through studio work, demonstrates an interest in and commitment to sustainability through the use of planting design and specification*

Drew Pehlman

**Judy Byrd Brittenum Cultural Landscape Award**

*For a student who demonstrates interest in the study of cultural landscapes including cultural sustainability, historic preservation, history and/or cultural landscape documentation*

Colin Barker

**LandPlan Consultants Scholarship (Endowed)**

*For a landscape architecture student who shows academic strength and great potential in the profession*

McKenna Lessenger

**Landscape Architecture Book Awards**

*For students with intellectual curiosity and high academic performance in each year of the professional program*

Grayson Schwindt

**Landscape Architecture General Scholarship Fund\***

*For students in the Landscape Architecture program*

Ty Demmelmaier

Michah Winslow

**Maple Hill Garden Club of Fayetteville Award**

*For a third- or fourth-year landscape architecture student of high promise*

Xander Gray

### **Neil Hamill Park Endowed Scholarship**

*For a third- or fourth-year student who has demonstrated improvement in design ability*

Alexis Ogilvie

### **Verna C. Garvan Summer Travel**

*To assist students with required study abroad*

Kayla Blanton

Dayley Crittenden

Naomi Erdman

Mckenna Lessenger

Camille Piner

Lillian Rayder

### **Verna C. Garvan Graphic Book Award**

*For a student who demonstrates the highest ability in information design, graphic design and presentation renderings including plans, sections, perspectives and other drawing types*

Kellah Calaway

## Students Enrolled in the Honors Program

Alex Abshier

Lorena Aguirre Puga

Mariam Alabi

William Allen

Luis H Almeida

Brady Anderson

Amelia Armstrong

Nate Ashabraner

Erin Babcock

Chloe Balkcom

Rylee Ball

Josephine Barker

Sophia Barnes

Summer Barrick

Emma Baumann

Jacob Bearden

Elyse Beck

Madisyn Bedair

Amanda Benzenhafer

Piper Berry

Kylee Blake

Sophia Bobzien

Genevieve Brainard

Parker Brobston

Evie Brown

Bailey Bruns

Dylan Bryan

Caitlynn Bublitz

Christopher Buhl

Emmalyn Burns

Adleigh Caldwell

Ava Caldwell

Zachary Castleman

Samantha Chapman

Ava Claggett

Olivia Clements

Caleb Cole

Sophia Craven

Sadie Cravotta

Dayley Crittenden

Wilson Cunningham

Kannon Daffin

Dylan Danford

Ethan David

Isaac Davis

Stella Decker

John Denny, Jr.

Jacob Dickman

Andie Dodson

Briana Dreyer

Jonah Droddy

Kenleigh Embrey

Naomi Erdman

Winnifred Formby

Edward Franklin

Molly Freeman

Noah Gammell

Halley Garcia

Constanza Garcia Munoz

Lucia Gentile

Michael Georgas

Isabella Gonzales

Anna Grace

Abigail Griggs

Elizabeth Griswold

Alexis Hahn

Maria Hamilton

Asher Haynes

Jesse Heater

Katie E. Hill

Faith Hilvert

Bella Hooper

Avery Hudson  
Luke Hufferberger  
Audrey Ihms  
Elizabeth James  
Whitney Juarez  
Bentley Kendrick  
Anwen King  
Avery Kobes  
Allison Koonce  
Sydney Kraus  
Maria Laporte  
Isabel Lawrence  
Katherine Leavitt  
Natalie Lentz  
Emily LePrell  
Cameron Loftin  
Michaela Love  
Skye Lucas  
Abigail McDonald  
Kathelyn McHaney  
Sophia McWithey  
Catalina Menses  
Jillian Mills  
Molly Mills  
Abi Minor  
Morgan Mos  
Patrick Mush  
Ryan Myers  
Grecia Nunez Arano  
Alexis Ogilvie  
Bhavi Patel  
Fiona Pearce  
Andrew Pehlman  
Evan Petermeier  
Tyler Phillips  
Camille Piner  
Eliot C Posey  
Ruth Prenzler  
Kathryn Pursley

Ian Radcliffe  
Kyra Reeds  
Aspen Regan  
Juana Reichhardt  
Karma Rekhi  
Kyan Rodriguez  
Valeria Rodriguez-Juarez  
Brynn Rogers  
Isabella Rubio  
Simon Ruck  
Mera Rusick  
Samuel Schnekloth  
Mikala Sexton  
Casey Snyder  
Katherine Stanek  
Hallie Stiff  
Addison Stoufflet  
Will Sutton  
Sara Svensson  
Caitlyn Swopes  
Canaan Thomas  
Jacob Trone  
Rebekah Ulasewich  
Noor Van mierlo  
Sarai Vazquez  
Katherine Voss  
Heather Waters  
Gabbi Webb  
Luke Webb  
Lillian Weston  
Allison Whitaker  
Delaney White  
Katherine Wiker  
Parker Wiley  
Avery Williams  
Liam Winzer  
Lauren Wright  
Dean Zakrzewski

## Honor Society Member Recognition

### **Tau Sigma Delta Recognition**

*Honorary society for architecture and landscape  
architecture and the allied arts*

### New Member Recognition

Silver Medal – Tara Bray,  
Visiting Assistant Professor in Architecture  
Bronze Medal – Rylee Ball (ARCH)

### **Sigma Lambda Alpha Recognition**

*National Honor Society for landscape architecture  
students*

### New Member Recognition

## Architecture Academic Honors and Achievements

### **AIA Medal for Academic Excellence**

*For the first-ranked, final-year architecture student in recognition of scholastic achievement, character, leadership and promise of high professional ability*

Will Sutton

### **Barbara C. Crook Award**

*For the final-year student who has achieved the highest record in coursework in the architectural technology group*

Darci Burris

### **C. Murray Smart Award**

*For the final-year architecture student with the highest scholastic record in the study of history and theory of architecture*

Grace Shoemaker

### **Edward Durell Stone Award**

*For the final-year architecture student with the highest overall grade point average in design studio work*

Will Sutton

### **Herbert K. Fowler Award**

*For a third-, fourth- or fifth-year architecture student who demonstrates outstanding hand drawing skills, excellent conceptualization of interior spaces and volumes, especially as they relate to human interaction, and successfully incorporates classic principles of proportion and balance into the design of modern architecture*

Caleb Cole

### **John G. Williams Joy of Architecture Award**

*For a graduating senior who exhibits a devotion to the profession and a positive work ethic, and who demonstrates promise of professional success*

John Blake

### **Mort Karp Award**

*For the fifth-year architecture student who has demonstrated the greatest concern for social, cultural and behavioral issues as they relate to design*

Zach Badger

## Interior Architecture and Design Academic Honors and Achievements

### **Interior Architecture and Design Award of Excellence**

*For the first-ranked, final-year interior architecture and design student in recognition of scholastic achievement*

Claire Callaway

**Interior Architecture and Design Award for Excellence in Material Exploration**

*For a final-year interior architecture and design student who has demonstrated curiosity, research capabilities, creativity and sophisticated application of materials in studio design projects*

Halley Garcia

**Interior Architecture and Design Award for Sustainable Design**

*For the final-year student who has demonstrated commitment to issues of sustainable design*

Lindsay Deramus

Landscape Architecture Academic Honors and Achievements

**ASLA Honor and Merit Awards**

*For landscape architecture students in the final two years of study with high academic performance, design ability, self-motivation and personal responsibility*

Honor: Ana Barnett and Erin Dolan

**The Verna C. Garvan Award**

*For a senior student of landscape architecture who, through performance in the studio sequence, has demonstrated outstanding design ability*

Sara Svennson

Fay Jones School Academic Honors and Achievements

**Alpha Rho Chi Medal**

*For a final-year student who has shown leadership ability, performed willing service for the school and demonstrated promise of professional merit through attitude and personality*

Rylee Ball (ARCH)

**Michael J. Buono Sustainability Award**

*For the final-year student who has demonstrated the greatest concern in design studios, cognate courses and the community for environmental, ecological and energy conservation issues*

Aspen Regan (ARCH)

**University of Arkansas Presidential Scholarship±**

*For the student with a high academic record from the school*

Genevieve Brainard (IARD)

**Senior Scholars**

*For the graduating senior from the Fay Jones School of Architecture and Design with the highest-grade point average*

Dean Zakrzewski (LARC)

*Awards are for 2026-2027*

ARCH = Architecture  
IARD = Interior Architecture and Design  
LARC = Landscape Architecture

*±Special Honors*  
*\* New awards for 2026-2027*

**Incoming Student Scholarships to be awarded  
for 2026-2027**

EDI International Architecture Freshman Award

Kevin and Stephanie Wilcox Advance Arkansas Endowed  
Scholarship

Mary Pipkin & Yandell Johnson Memorial Scholarship

Miller Boskus Lack Architects Endowed Scholarship

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