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THE CHICAGO ATHENAEUM UNVEILS OVER 130 OF THE BEST-DESIGNED BUILDINGS AND LANDCAPES FROM AROUND THE WORLD—WINNERS OF THE 2021 INTERNATIONAL ARCHITECTURE AWARDS

Announcing the Oldest and Largest Global Awards Program Featuring the World’s Most Prominent Architecture Firms to be Officially Celebrated at “The City and the World” Exhibition and Gala Reception in Athens, Greece on September 10

CHICAGO, ILLINOIS (AUGUST 17, 2021) — Some of the best architecture from 35 nations by today’s foremost practices is revealed as The Chicago Athenaeum: Museum of Architecture and Design announces the winners of The International Architecture Awards for 2021, celebrating buildings and landscapes to have been completed across the world between 2019 and 2021.

A new Apple Store in Singapore by Foster + Partners, a new residential high-rise in Spain by Pininfarina SpA., a sports arena in Germany by Behnisch Architekten, a new university building in New York by Rafael Viñoly Architects, a collection of new skyscrapers by Kohn Pedersen Fox in Shanghai, New York, Singapore, and Bangkok, a new financial center in Guangdong by Aedas, a dynamic new museum renovated from an old blast furnace by CCTN Architectural Design Co. Ltd., an adaptive-reuse of a Berlin apartment complex by Tchoban Voss Architekten GmbH, a new mosque in Algiers by KSP Jürgen Engel Architekten, an urban park in Qatar by AECOM, a new airport in Singapore by Safdie Architects, charging stations by GRAFT, student housing in Miami by Arquitectonica, a deconstructed retail store in China by Office of Metropolitan Architecture (OMA), a new London performance space for ballet by Glenn Howells Architects, and new transportation centers by Grimshaw Architects, ASPECT, Woods Bagot, and John McAslan and Partners head the list of awarded projects for 2021.

Organized by The Chicago Athenaeum: Museum of Architecture and Design and The European Centre for Architecture Art Design and Urban Studies, the 2021 International Architecture Awards are the world’s oldest and most prestigious global architecture awards for the world’s best new buildings and urban planning projects from over 35 nations.

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Founded in 2005, these Awards for International Excellence demonstrate how buildings and urban planning projects worldwide stretch the boundaries of architecture, irrespective of style, complexity, and size of both scheme and budget.

“For over 16 years, The Chicago Athenaeum’s global architecture awards champion buildings that change the world,” states Christian Narkiewicz-Laine, Museum President/CEO of The Chicago Athenaeum.

“The International Awards for Excellence are presented to an ambitious and diverse range of projects from a wide range of established and upcoming architects’ practices. It is particularly important to be considering excellence in architecture at this time—in this fast-changing world, where governments, clients and society need the skills and insight of architects.”

“These global awards show how well-considered, well-delivered and well-performing architecture has the immense potential to improve lives and communities. We are very pleased to be able to celebrate some of the most innovative, ingenious and impactful architecture in the world —designed by some of the most talented architects of our time.”

For 2021, a 400-strong shortlist had been selected from over 800 entries from 46 countries ranging from China and Canada to México, Singapore, and the UAE.

Entries included new housing, offices, transport, health and schools to civic and community, sports, religion, libraries, private homes, culture, and production energy and preservation, recycling, renovation, with entries representing the most beautiful and evocative to the most innovative in contemporary architecture.

This year’s selected buildings and urban planning projects are from 35 nations including: Algeria, Austria, Australia, Azerbaijan, Brazil, Belgium, Canada, China, Denmark, Finland, France, Greece, Germany, Hong Kong, Indonesia, Italy, Japan, México, The Netherlands, Norway, Portugal, Qatar, Russia, Singapore, South Africa, South Korea, Spain, Switzerland, Taiwan, Thailand, The UAE, United Kingdom, The United States, and Uruguay, Vietnam.

The 2021 “Super” Jury for Awards consisting of leading architects, designers, and critics selected the over 130 winning projects:

• Claudia Doná, Design and Architecture Critic, Milan

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The 130 plus awarded projects for 2021 include:

**AIRPORTS AND TRANSPORTATION CENTRES**
Pahl+Weber-Pahl Architekten BDA - ZOB Wiesdorf, Leverkusen, Germany  
Safdie Architects - Jewel Changi Airport, Singapore, Republic of Singapore  
Woods Bagot and John McAslan + Partners - Sydney Central Station, Sydney, New South Wales, Australia  
Grimshaw Architects with ASPECT Studios - Sydney CBD and South East Light Rail, Sydney, New South Wales, Australia  
GRAFT Gesellschaft von Architekten mbH - E.ON Ultra-Fast Charging Stations, Berlin, Germany  
FR-EE and Foster + Partners - New International Airport México City, México City, DF., México

**CIVIC AND COMMUNITY CENTERS**
Ping Jiang I EID Architecture - LAND Community Center, Xi'an, China

**COMMERCIAL BUILDINGS**
Formwerkz Architects LLP. - Kunming Sales Gallery, Kunming, China  
Tzannes - Daramu House, Barangaroo, New South Wales, Australia  
MGA I Michael Green Architecture - Catalyst Building, Spokane, Washington, USA  
EGA Erik Giudice Architecture - New National Wholesale Market, Nantes, France

**CORPORATE OFFICE BUILDINGS**
A49HD - Warehouse 12, Bangkok, Thailand  
Henning Larsen Architects - The Biotope, Lille, France  
3XN A/S - cube berlin, Berlin, Germany  
RAU Architects - Triodos Bank Headquarters, Driebergen-Rijsenburg, The Netherlands  
Form4 Architecture - Innovation Curve, Phase 2, Palo Alto, California, USA  
Ricardo Yslas Gámez Arquitectos - Anteus Constructora Headquarters, Zapopan, México

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CULTURE AND MUSEUMS

JSWD Architekten GmbH & Co. KG and Chaix & Morel et Associés - House of European History, Brussels, Belgium

CCTN Architectural Design Co., Ltd. - Shougang No. 3 Blast-Furnace Museum, Beijing, China

JKMM Architects - Amos Rex, Helsinki, Finland

Durban Block Jaggers and John Wardle Architects - Phoenix Central Park, Sydney, New South Wales, Australia

CCTN Architectural Design Co., Ltd. - Wenling Museum, Wenling, China

IAPA Pty. Ltd. - OCT West Xianfengdong Cultural Center-Wangzhou and OCAT Xi'an Pavilion, Xi'an City, Shaanxi Province, China

Atelier Alter Architects - Yingliang Stone Natural History Museum, Beijing, China

Hassell - Geelong Arts Centre, Geelong, Victoria, Australia

Dominique Coulon & associés - Media Library and Park in Pélissanne, Pélissanne, France

Praksis Arkitekter - Maltfabriken, Ebeltoft, Denmark

Glenn Howells Architects - English National Ballet, London, United Kingdom

Marvel Architects – TheatreSquared, Fayetteville, Arkansas, USA

Alvisi Kirimoto and Harcome - Music Academy of Camerino 'Franco Corelli' - Andrea Bocelli Foundation, Camerino (MC), Italy

Tryba Architects - Buell Public Media Center, Denver, Colorado, USA

CRA-Carlo Ratti Associati - MEET Digital Culture Center, Milan (MI), Italy

Pichler & Traupmann Architekten ZT GmbH - Future Art Lab Vienna University of Music and Performing Arts, Vienna, Austria

ENTERTAINMENT

gh3* - Borden Park Natural Swimming Pool, Edmonton, Alberta, Canada

Ross Barney Architects - Lincoln Park Zoo, Searle Visitor Center, Chicago, Illinois, USA

EXPOSITION

PMA (PolyMorphArchitects) - Lamborghini Exhibition Center, Zhengzhou, China

Adrian Smith + Gordon Gill Architecture - Al Wasl Plaza, Dubai, UAE

Studio Milou Singapore (Pte) Ltd. - Binh Dinh Convention Centre (BDCC), Quy Nhon, Vietnam

GOVERNMENT BUILDINGS

PES-Architects Ltd. - Fuzhou Strait Culture and Art Centre (SCAC), Mawei New Town, Fuzhou, China

Diamond Schmitt Architects and KWC Architects Inc. - The Senate of Canada Building, Ottawa, Ontario, Canada

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FXCollaborative - Ministry of Taxes, Baku, Azerbaijan
Richärd Kennedy Architects - United States Consulate General in Matamoros, Matamoros, México

HEALTH CARE/HOSPITALS
Berger+Parkkinen Associated Architects - Paracelsus Bad & Kurhaus, Salzburg, Austria
3XN A/S - The North Wing, Rigshospitalet, Copenhagen, Denmark
Kaunitz Yeung Architecture - Puntukurnu Aboriginal Medical Service Healthcare Hub, Newman, Western Australia, Australia
KPMB Architects and TreanorHL - CAMH Research Centre, Toronto, Ontario, Canada

HIGH RISES/SKYSCRAPERS
Henning Larsen Architects - Cockle Bay Park, Sydney, New South Wales, Australia
Kohn Pedersen Fox Associates PC. - 55 Hudson Yards, New York, New York, USA
Kohn Pedersen Fox Associates PC. - 18 Robinson, Singapore, Republic of Singapore
Aedas - Shaw Tower Redevelopment, Singapore, Republic of Singapore
Antonio Citterio Patricia Viel - La Bella Vita, Taichung, China
Ping Jiang I EID Architecture - Shimao Riverfront D2b Block, Wuhan, China
Goettsch Partners - 110 North Wacker Drive, Chicago, Illinois, USA

HOTELS/HOSPITALITY
Kohn Pedersen Fox Associates PC. - Qiantan Center, Shanghai, China
Kohn Pedersen Fox Associates PC. - Rosewood Bangkok, Bangkok, Thailand
Takenaka Corporation - Miyashita Park, Tokyo, Japan
CaberlonCaroppi Architetti Associati - DoubleTree by Hilton Trieste, Trieste, Italy
IAPA Pty. Ltd. - ZOINA-Taibai Wushanju, Xi’an City, Shaanxi Province, China
K-Studio - Dexamenes, Kourouta, Peloponnese, Greece
Arab Engineering Bureau - Rosewood Hotel & Branded Residences, Lusail, Qatar
SpActrum - Hotel Nudibranch, Wenzhou, Zhejiang, China

HUMANITARIAN
Studio Joseph - Manhattan Animal Adoption Center, New York, New York, USA

INDUSTRIAL
Sichuan Langjiu Group Co., Ltd. - The Erlang Liquor Storehouse of Langjiu Estate, Sichuan, China

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LIBRARIES
Adjaye Associates - Thabo Mbeki Presidential Library, Johannesburg, South Africa
Richärd Kennedy Architects - Cruzen-Murray Library, College of Idaho, Caldwell, Idaho, USA
Richärd Kennedy Architects - Asante Library, Surprise, Arizona, USA

MONUMENTS
Form4 Architecture - The Golden Cage, Black Rock City, Nevada, USA
Gómez Platero - World Memorial to the Pandemic: A Space that Pays Tribute to Life and Nature, Montevideo, Uruguay

MIXED-USE
Aedas - Hengqin International Financial Center, Zhuhai, Guangdong, China
Ennead Architects LLP. - China Resources Land MixC Park, Shanghai, China
Sweeny&Co Architects Inc. - The Bridge, Toronto, Ontario, Canada
Mercurio Design Lab srl. - Indonesia 1, Jakarta, Indonesia

MULTI-FAMILY HOUSING
Pininfarina SpA - Liora by Pininfarina, Estepona, Spain
deamicisarchitetti - Residenze Canonica, Milan, Italy
Rhode Partners - The Independent, Austin, Texas, USA
Tchoban Voss Architekten GmbH - Kurfuerstendamm 68, Berlin, Germany
UNITEDLAB Associates LLC. - Hadohijlo Townhouse, Jeju-do, South Korea
Mobile Architectural Office - Charriere, Paris, France
Architects 49 Limited - Santiburi The Residences, Bangkok, Thailand
Arquitectonica - University of Miami Lakeside Village Student Housing, Miami, Florida, USA
SPEECH Tchoban&Kuznetsov - Veren Place Sovetskaya Residential Complex, St Peters burg, Russia

PRIVATE HOUSES
Mino Caggiula Architects - Atelier Trepp, Origlio, Switzerland
William / Kaven Architecture – Royal, Portland, Oregon, USA
CCY Architects - Meadow House, Aspen, Colorado, USA
K-Studio - Villa Mandra, Mykonos, Greece
Mário Martins Atelier de Arquitetura Lda. - Casa das Freiras, Lagos, Portugal
Swatt l Miers Architects - Mystic Ranch, Fairfield, California, USA
Aidlin Darling Design - Art House, San Francisco, California, USA

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Architects 49 Limited - 3-Gen House, Chiang Mai, Thailand
Studio Milou Singapore (Pte) Ltd. - Nassim House, Singapore, Republic of Singapore
Coldefy - Residence G, North of France
XTEN Architecture – Skyhouse, Los Angeles, California, USA
FGMF Arquitetos - Cigarra House, Porto Feliz, São Paulo, Brazil
Architects49 Limited - Kelapa House, Phuket, Thailand
Montalba Architects, Inc. - LR2 Residence Pasadena, California, USA
Montalba Architects, Inc. - Venice Beach House, Venice, California, USA
ONG & ONG Pte. Ltd. - 37FC-House, Singapore, Republic of Singapore

RELIGIOUS
Carrier Johnson + CULTURE - Lyle and Grace Prescott Memorial Prayer Chapel, Point Loma Nazarene University, San Diego, California, USA
KSP Jürgen Engel Architekten GmbH - Dajamaa El Djazir - Great Mosque of Algiers, Algiers, Algeria
Han Kook Architects, KACI International - The Soul Forest Doseon-sa Temple, Seoul, South Korea
Waugh Thistleton Architects - Bushey Cemetery, Hertfordshire, United Kingdom
Dellekamp/Schleich - Santuario del Señor de Tula, Jojutla, Morelos, México

RETAIL/SHOWROOMS
Foster + Partners - Apple Marina Bay Sands, Singapore, Republic of Singapore
Mario Mazzer Architects - Snaidero USA New York Flagship Showroom, New York, New York, USA
Office of Metropolitan Architecture (OMA) - Galleria Gwanggyo, Suwon-si, Gyeonggido, China
Aedas - Xiangyang OCT Cultural and Tourism Area Joy Town, Xiangyang, China
Laguarda.Low Architects - Grandberry Park, Tokyo, Japan

RESTORATION/RENOVATION
Marcy Wong Donn Logan Architects - Rejuvenation of a Historic Power House, San Francisco, California, USA
Archermitt - Bamboo Branch Academy, Yi Bin, China
Mei architects and planners - Fenix I, Rotterdam, The Netherlands
GPY Arquitectos - The New Casa de Los Volcanes Exhibition Space, Haria, Lanzarote, Canary Islands, Spain
Aidlin Darling Design - Geneva Car Barn & Powerhouse, San Francisco, California, USA
Benjai Architecture - Central China Real Estate Zhumadian Sales Centre, Zhumadian, China
Pei Cobb Freed & Partners - 1271 Avenue of the Americas Recladding and Repositioning, New York, New York, USA
Projectiles - Public Reception Areas of the Château de Fontainebleau, Fontainebleau, France

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SCHOOLS AND UNIVERSITIES

LAVA Berlin GmbH - LIFE Hamburg, Hamburg, Germany

Rafael Viñoly Architects - The Rockefeller University Stavros Niarchos Foundation – David Rockefeller River Campus, New York, New York, USA

Special Projects, School of Design and Environment - School of Design and Environment 1 & 3, Singapore, Republic of Singapore

The Miller Hull Partnership, LLP. and Lord Aeck Sargent - Kendeda Building for Innovative Sustainable Design, Atlanta, Georgia, USA

Tonkin Zulaikha Greer - Wenona Athenaeum School, North Sydney, New South Wales, Australia

fasch&fuchs.ZT-GmbH - Federal School Aspern, Vienna, Austria

fasch&fuchs.ZT-GmbH - Schulcampus Neustift, Tyrol, Austria

1+1>2 Architects - Da Hop School, Thành phố Hòa Bình, Vietnam

MKPL Architects Pte Ltd. - SMU Connexion, Singapore, Republic of Singapore

Grimshaw Architects - Monash Woodside Building for Technology and Design, Melbourne, Victoria, Australia

KPMB Architects - Ronald O. Perelman Center for Political Science and Economics, University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, USA

Richard Kennedy Architects - Environmental and Natural Resources 2: University of Arizona, Tucson, Arizona, USA

Mark Cavagnero Associates - The Bechtel Family Center for Ocean Education and Leadership, Monterey, California, USA

SPORTS AND LEISURE

Behnisch Architekten - adidas World of Sports Arena, Herzogenaurach, Germany

Aedas - International Sports and Culture Exchange Center, Shenzhen, China

Atelier Alter Architects - BIT Sports Center, Beijing, China

URBAN PLANNING/LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE

Atelier Brückner - City Gate Troisdorf, Troisdorf, Germany

AECOM - Oxygen Park, Education City, Qatar

SpActrum - Shaoxing Chaichangnong Refurbishment and Urban Redevelopment, Shaoxing, Zhejiang, China

All buildings and urban planning projects can be viewed at www.europeanarch.eu or at www.chi-athenaeum.org.

This elite group of buildings and urban planning projects selected by the jury will be premiered in an exhibition at Contemporary Space Athens (74 Mitropoleos Str., GR-105 63 Athens, Greece) opening September 10 and continuing through October 2021.

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The exhibition is entitled "The City and the World" and is scheduled to travel in Europe through 2022.

The official Awards Presentation takes place at a Gala Awards Dinner and Ceremony adjacent to the Acropolis in Athens, Greece next September 10.

For tickets and more information, contact: konstadina@europeanarch.eu.

The buildings and urban planning projects are also published as a catalogue for Global Design + Urbanism XXI (New International Architecture 2021) edited by Christian Narkiewicz-Laine for Metropolitan Arts Press Ltd. and is available through The European Centre and www.metropolitanartspress.com.

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The deadline for the 2022 International Architecture Awards is December 1, 2021.

Submissions for 2022 can be made on line at www.internationalarchitectureawards.com

NOTE TO REPORTERS AND EDITORS: Photographs of the 2021 International Architecture Awards are available for download. For more details on the award and previous winners, visit The European Centre’s website at www.europeanarch.eu or www.internationalarchitectureawards.com.

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