



Baltimore, MD (October 29, 2020) – AIA Baltimore and the Baltimore Architecture Foundation (BAF) honored the best of Baltimore design at the 2021 AIA Baltimore Excellence in Design Awards Celebration. The Design Awards Celebration took place at the new Baltimore Center for Architecture and Design at One Charles Center and continued to promote great design in Baltimore and beyond and is a staple program for Baltimore Architecture Month. Built and unbuilt projects submitted by AIA members were judged by a distinguished jury of AIA architects from Detroit, Michigan.

GWWO Architects received the Grand Design Award for Morgan State Tina & Calvin Tyler Hall. The jury regarded the project “MSU’s Calvin and Tina Tyler Hall is a beautifully complex and expressive building. The interior and exterior of the building come together to create interesting spaces for students and faculty. The jury appreciated the warmth and refinement of the interior.”

Kevin Vandeman, AIA, Gary James Inglis, RIBA, RIAS, received The Residential Design Award for their project, Brighton House. The jury was delighted to see that this unique project “had sophistication and a controlled materials pallet that allowed for a creative interior with plenty of natural light and geometry. Though the real strength of this project lies in the sustainability measures taken to make the house net-zero energy.”

2021 marked the fourth annual Social Equity Award presented by AIA Baltimore and the Neighborhood Design Center. Ddb Workshop received the award, which recognizes community-driven projects that promote social equity. Their project E2I Boone impressed the jury with its consistency with community plans, its modular buildings, economical additions, and sustainability, stating, “With a long history of projects starting and stopping in this neighborhood, this development is more than just a row house infill, it compliments the fabric of the neighborhood.”

AIA Baltimore awards Good Design = Good Business Awards to architects and clients who best utilize good design to help companies and organizations achieve their goals. GWWO Architects received the award for their project Cahill Fitness Center, which the jury regarded as, “a fantastic example of good design being a good business model. The project was forward thinking, from the integration with the environment and plan with the surrounding park, and its community focused approach. It is a truly welcoming wellness facility for the entire community.”

The BAF presented its distinguished Golden Griffin and Roger D. Redden awards during the Excellence in Design Awards. These awards recognize dedication to architecture and the furthering of its understanding in Baltimore. The National Aquarium was our Golden Griffin Award this year



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for their outstanding outreach projects in Baltimore city. The Roger D Redden is awarded to director of Baltimore Heritage, Johns Hopkins for his extensive work in preservation.

Awards were also presented to Future Architects Resources (FAR) Scholarship recipients who submitted projects at the Community College and Graduate School levels.

[View All 2021 Winners](#)

Congratulations to all the 2021 award winners:

The Grand Design Award

Morgan State Tina & Calvin Tyler Hall - GWWO Architects

Social Equity Design Award

E2I Boone - DDB Workshop

Residential Design Award

Brighton House - Kevin Vandeman, AIA, Gary James Inglis, RIBA, RIAS

Award for Excellence in Environmentally Sustainable Design

Jean Packard Occoquan - GWWO Architects

Michael F. Trostel, FAIA, Award for Excellence in a Historic Preservation Project

Beth Am Synagogue - Alexander Design Studio

2021 Exceptional Detail Award

Alfond Commons - Ayers Saint Gross

Good Design = Good Business Award Winners

Cahill Fitness Center - GWWO Architects

Excellence in Design Awards Winners

Cross Street Market - BCT Design Group

Johns Hopkins School of Nursing - Hord Coplan Macht

Josiah Henson Museum & Park - Ziger|Snead Architects

Excellence in Design Awards Honorable Mentions (Residential)



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Rocky Knob Sauna - GriD architects

Excellence in Design Awards Honorable Mentions

L on Liberty - FILLAT+ Architecture

Toki Tako - PI.KL Studio

North Dorchester High School - Hord Coplan Macht

Whitehall Mill - Alexander Design Studio

Center for Community Engagement - Murphy & Dittenhafer Architects

E21 Boone - DDB Workshop

FAR Student Award Winners

1st Place: Graduate Design Award

Fadi Alajati, University of Maryland

Graduate Honorable Mention

Adeola Okubadejo, University of Maryland

1st Place: Undergraduate Design Award

Asma Sofan, University of Maryland