



THE BOSTON ARCHITECTURAL COLLEGE

ACADEMIC HONORS
and AWARDS
CEREMONY

THURSDAY, MAY 25TH, 2023

THE BOSTON ARCHITECTURAL COLLEGE
320 NEWBURY STREET
BOSTON, MA 02115

Dear students, faculty, staff, and guests,

Welcome to the 2023 Academic Honors and Awards ceremony. We gather to celebrate the noteworthy achievements of BAC students who are graduating tomorrow, having successfully completed all academic and Practice requirements. By BAC tradition, the faculty in the degree programs and in Practice review the graduating students' scholarly and professional accomplishments and identify work that is commendable and work that is exceptional. We are pleased to gather in person to bestow the honors and awards associated with this review.

Thank you for joining us in celebrating excellence in design education as made manifest by our students. We are honored to welcome our graduating students into our academic and professional community as peers.

With gratitude to our faculty and pride in what our students have accomplished,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Kellie Bean", is centered on a light gray rectangular background.

Kellie Bean,
Vice President, Academic Affairs

GRADUATE

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WELCOME AND OPENING REMARKS
GRADUATE AWARDS PRESENTATION

Kellie Bean
Vice President, Academic Affairs

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BOSTON SOCIETY OF
ARCHITECTURE AWARD FOR
EXCELLENCE IN TEACHING

Rita Doummar, Faculty School of
Architecture

Presented by Ian F. Taberner
Director and Faculty, Master's Thesis,
School of Architecture

CERTIFICATE OF ACADEMIC MERIT:
MASTER OF DESIGN STUDIES

Vanessa Leigh Gabriele
Margaret Lynn Jabaily

Presented by Don Hunsicker
Dean and Faculty, School of Design
Studies

COMMENDATIONS: MASTER'S
CAPSTONE PROJECT EXCELLENCE,
DESIGN STUDIES, REAL ESTATE
DEVELOPMENT

Monica Irasema Martinez Avila

Presented by Don Hunsicker
Dean and Faculty, School of Design
Studies

EDWIN T. STEFFIAN CENTENNIAL
AWARD: MASTER'S CAPSTONE PROJECT
EXCELLENCE, DESIGN STUDIES, REAL
ESTATE DEVELOPMENT

Monica Irasema Martinez Avila

Presented by Don Hunsicker
Dean and Faculty, School of Design
Studies

COMMENDATIONS: MASTER'S THESIS
EXCELLENCE, DESIGN STUDIES,
DESIGN FOR HUMAN HEALTH

Nina Maria Briggs
Rebecca Fraley
Mikayla A. Poulin-Gilbert
Natalie Roe
Lauren Marlene Lugliani
Margaret Lynn Jabaily
Winnie W.C. Yu

Presented by Sarah Howard
Faculty, School of Design Studies

EDWIN T. STEFFIAN CENTENNIAL
AWARD: MASTER'S THESIS
EXCELLENCE, DESIGN STUDIES,
DESIGN FOR HUMAN HEALTH

Margaret Lynn Jabaily
Winnie W.C. Yu

Presented by Sarah Howard
Faculty, School of Design Studies

COMMENDATIONS: MASTER'S
THESIS EXCELLENCE, DESIGN
STUDIES, SUSTAINABLE DESIGN

MarieClaire Monasterio Vargas
Michael Padula
Gabriela Mier

Presented by Margarita Iglesia
Director and Faculty, Curriculum
Development, Landscape Architecture

EDWIN T. STEFFIAN CENTENNIAL
AWARD: MASTER'S THESIS
EXCELLENCE, DESIGN STUDIES,
SUSTAINABLE DESIGN

MarieClaire Monasterio Vargas

Presented by Margarita Iglesia
Director and Faculty, Curriculum
Development, Landscape Architecture

COMMENDATIONS: MASTER'S
THESIS EXCELLENCE, DESIGN
STUDIES, HISTORIC PRESERVATION

Joshua Berman

Presented by Eleni Glekas
Director and Faculty, Historic
Preservation and BAC/NCA/UOBS
University Partnerships

GRADUATE ACADEMIC HONORS AND AWARDS

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**EDWIN T. STEFFIAN CENTENNIAL
AWARD: MASTER'S THESIS
EXCELLENCE, DESIGN STUDIES,
HISTORIC PRESERVATION**

Joshua Berman

Presented by Eleni Glekas
Director and Faculty, Historic
Preservation

**COMMENDATIONS: MASTER'S THESIS
EXCELLENCE, INTERIOR ARCHITECTURE**

Adriana Cristina Fernandez Briceno
Claire Hayes Miller
Rukaiya Huzefa Sakarwala
Salvi Shah
Sarah Wolff

Presented by Denise Rush
Dean and Faculty, School of Interior
Architecture

**EDWIN T. STEFFIAN CENTENNIAL
AWARD: MASTER'S THESIS
EXCELLENCE, INTERIOR ARCHITECTURE**

Adriana Cristina Fernandez Briceno

Presented by Denise Rush
Dean and Faculty, School of Interior
Architecture

**COMMENDATIONS: THESIS
EXCELLENCE, MASTER OF SCIENCE IN
INTERIOR ARCHITECTURE**

Tiffani Elitra Smith
Sabrina D Spiver

Presented by Denise Rush
Dean and Faculty, School of Interior
Architecture

**EDWIN T. STEFFIAN CENTENNIAL
AWARD: MASTER'S THESIS
EXCELLENCE, MASTER OF SCIENCE IN
INTERIOR ARCHITECTURE**

Tiffani Elitra Smith

Presented by Denise Rush
Dean and Faculty, School of Interior
Architecture

**COMMENDATIONS: MASTER'S THESIS
EXCELLENCE, ARCHITECTURE**

Joud Bsata
Isioma Chukwufumnanya Uzor
Octavia M Pinckney
Kyle Holt Mullaney
Jaysen Good
Henry Stehli
William Evans
Jeremy Tringale
Lindsey Marie Cohen
Hanan R. Abbas
Madeline Renee Esdale
Rovshan Jafarov

Presented by Ian F. Taberner
Director and Faculty, Master's Thesis,
School of Architecture

**EDWIN T. STEFFIAN CENTENNIAL
AWARD: MASTER'S THESIS
EXCELLENCE, ARCHITECTURE**

Isioma Chukwufumnanya Uzor
Kyle Holt Mullaney

Presented by Ian F. Taberner
Director and Faculty, Master's Thesis,
School of Architecture

**AIA HENRY ADAMS MEDAL,
MASTER OF ARCHITECTURE**

Sahaja Chandra

Presented by Karen L. Nelson
Dean and Faculty, School of
Architecture

GRADUATE ACADEMIC HONORS AND AWARDS (continued)

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P R E S E N T E R S

COMMENDATIONS: MASTER'S THESIS
EXCELLENCE, ARCHITECTURE, ONLINE

Presented by Karen L. Nelson
Dean and Faculty, School of
Architecture

Alana Gabrielle Morris
Amanda Grinley
Amber Elizabeth Bassels
Elias Saoud
Emani Ennover
Emily Ruegger
Jason E. Herrera
Naimo Ahmed Bakar
Rikkson Ryan Tee Gan
Sahaja Chandra
Sierra Nicole Gardner

EDWIN T. STEFFIAN CENTENNIAL
AWARD: MASTER'S THESIS
EXCELLENCE, ARCHITECTURE, ONLINE

Presented by Karen L. Nelson
Dean and Faculty, School of
Architecture

Sahaja Chandra

COMMENDATIONS: MASTER'S
THESIS EXCELLENCE, LANDSCAPE
ARCHITECTURE

Presented by María Bellalta
Dean and Faculty, School of
Landscape Architecture

Guobin Pan
Rajeev Pandey
Olga Julissa Rodriguez

EDWIN T. STEFFIAN CENTENNIAL
AWARD: MASTER'S THESIS EXCELLENCE,
LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE

Presented by María Bellalta
Dean and Faculty, School of
Landscape Architecture

Guobin Pan
Rajeev Pandey

GRADUATE ACADEMIC HONORS AND AWARDS (continued)

A W A R D S

P R E S E N T E R S

PRACTICE DISTINCTION

Guobin Pan (MLA)
Adriana Cristina Fernandez Briceno
(MIA)
Gillian Blake Kazzaz (MIA)
Claire Hayes Miller (MIA)
Alana Gabrielle Morris (M.Arch)
Alix Sara Israel (M.Arch)
Octavia M Pinckney (M.Arch)
Paula Mercedes Hidalgo Guerrero
(M.Arch)
Zhaoyu You (M.Arch)
Sierra Nicole Gardner (M.Arch)
Sahaja Chandra (M.Arch)
Elijahbel Boongaling Atienza
(M.Arch)
Elias Saoud (M.Arch)
Sonja Helstad (M.Arch)
Laura Casey Cavey (M.Arch)
Estephania Cazale-Maldonado
(M.Arch)
Jason E. Herrera (M.Arch)
Gah Tung Cally Seun (M.Arch)
Arran S. French (M.Arch)
Nicolas A. Castañeda Mesias
(M.Arch)
Madeline Renee Esdale (M.Arch)
Sarah Jane Visnick (M.Arch)
Khaled A T Al Barghouthi (M.Arch)
Steven Toussaint (M.Arch)
Jaysen Good (M.Arch)
Rowan Greenlaw (M.Arch)
Matthew LoBosco (M.Arch)
Monica Irasema Martinez Avila
(MDS-RED)

Presented by Bethany I. Lundell Garver
Dean and Faculty, Practice

AWARD FOR PRACTICE EXCELLENCE

Guobin Pan (MLA)
Claire Hayes Miller (MIA)
Arran S. French (M.Arch)
Sahaja Chandra (M.Arch)
Monica Irasema Martinez Avila
(MDS-RED)

Presented by Bethany I. Lundell Garver
Dean and Faculty, Practice

**EDWIN T. STEFFIAN CENTENNIAL
AWARD: OVERALL EXCELLENCE IN
PRACTICE PRIZE**

Octavia M Pinckney (M. Arch)

Presented by Bethany I. Lundell Garver
Dean and Faculty, Practice

UNDERGRADUATE

ACADEMIC
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UNDERGRADUATE PROGRAM

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PRESENTATION

Chala Hadimi
Program Director, First Year
Experience Associate Director, BAC/
NCA/UOBS University Partnerships

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BOSTON SOCIETY OF
ARCHITECTURE AWARD FOR
EXCELLENCE IN TEACHING

Presented by Robert Gillig
Director and Faculty, Advanced Studios
and Building Technologies

Rebecca Rahmlow Faculty,
School of Architecture

ED TOOMEY AWARD FOR
STUDENT ADVOCACY

Presented by Rich Griswold,
Associate Vice President, Dean of
Students and Faculty Member

Ashley Sosa-Feliz

MICHAEL T. BARRETT MEMORIAL
AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE IN
STUDENT LEADERSHIP

Presented by Rich Griswold,
Associate Vice President, Dean of
Students and Faculty Member

Laura Isabel Medina Ocando

ALPHA RHO CHI MEDAL

Presented by Rich Griswold,
Associate Vice President, Dean of
Students and Faculty Member

Rebecca Fiseha Dejenie

PRACTICE DISTINCTION

Presented by Bethany I. Lundell Garver
Dean and Faculty, Practice

Fernando Chan Sousa (BLA)

Yuderka Moreta (BIA)

Eric Jimenez (BIA)

Caelyn Lael Ford (BS.ARCH)

Taylor Jean O'Brien (B.Arch)

Rebecca Fiseha Dejenie (B.Arch)

Yasmine Karim Ibrahim Aly Badawi (B.Arch)

Emmanuel Louis (B.Arch)

AWARD FOR PRACTICE EXCELLENCE

Presented by Bethany I. Lundell Garver
Dean and Faculty, Practice

Fernando Chan Sousa (BLA)

Eric Jimenez (BIA)

Yasmine Karim Ibrahim Aly Badawi (B.Arch)

Caelyn Lael Ford (BS.ARCH)

AIA HENRY ADAMS MEDAL,
BACHELOR OF ARCHITECTURE

Presented by Karen L. Nelson
Dean and Faculty, School of
Architecture

Yasmine Karim Ibrahim Aly Badawi

COMMENDATIONS: BACHELOR'S
DEGREE PROJECT, BACHELOR OF
ARCHITECTURE

Presented by Robert Gillig
Director and Faculty, Advanced Studios
and Building Technologies

Yasmine Karim Ibrahim Aly Badawi

Rebecca Fiseha Dejenie

Haoyun Yang

Emmanuel Louis

UNDERGRADUATE ACADEMIC HONORS AND AWARDS (continued)

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EDWIN T. STEFFIAN CENTENNIAL
AWARD: BACHELOR'S DEGREE
PROJECT EXCELLENCE, BACHELOR
OF ARCHITECTURE

Rebecca Fiseha Dejenie
Haoyun Yang

Presented by Karen L. Nelson
Dean and Faculty, School of
Architecture

COMMENDATIONS: BACHELOR
OF SCIENCE'S DEGREE PROJECT,
ARCHITECTURE OF ARCHITECTURE

Caelyn Lael Ford

Presented by Karen Nelson
Dean and Faculty, School of
Architecture

EDWIN T. STEFFIAN CENTENNIAL
AWARD: BACHELOR OF SCIENCE'S
DEGREE PROJECT, BACHELOR OF
ARCHITECTURE

Caelyn Lael Ford

Presented by Karen Nelson
Dean and Faculty, School of
Architecture

COMMENDATIONS: BACHELOR'S
DEGREE PROJECT, BACHELOR OF
INTERIOR ARCHITECTURE

Mason Reiter
Eric Jimenez

Presented by Sarah Redmore
Director and Faculty, Undergraduate
Interior Architecture

EDWIN T. STEFFIAN CENTENNIAL
AWARD: BACHELOR'S DEGREE
PROJECT EXCELLENCE,
BACHELOR OF INTERIOR
ARCHITECTURE

Eric Jimenez

Presented by Sarah Redmore
Director and Faculty, Undergraduate
Interior Architecture

SARA E. BOURQUE '14 AWARD FOR
SASLA LEADERSHIP

Fernando Chan Sousa

Presented by María Bellalta
Dean and Faculty, School of
Landscape Architecture

SARA E. BOURQUE '14 AND DAVID
F. JAQUITH '69 LANDSCAPE
ARCHITECTURE AWARD

Fernando Chan Sousa

Presented by María Bellalta
Dean and Faculty, School of
Landscape Architecture

The HONORS *and* AWARDS

AIA HENRY ADAMS MEDAL

For more than a century, the AIA has provided a medal of excellence to the top graduating students in National Architectural Accrediting Board (NAAB) accredited degrees, which at the BAC is the Bachelor of Architecture and Master of Architecture. The award is named in honor of Henry Adams (1838-1918), a historian, author, scholar, and generous supporter of the AIA.

ALPHA RHO CHI MEDAL

The Alpha Rho Chi Medal is awarded annually by the National Professional Architectural Fraternity to graduates of each school of architecture in the United States based on leadership and achievement.

AWARD FOR PRACTICE EXCELLENCE

This award recognizes the graduating students in each undergraduate and graduate design program who have demonstrated exceptional merit in Practice. [Practice Distinction](#) is awarded each year to the graduating degree students who have demonstrated outstanding work through the Practice Component of their degree program.

BOSTON SOCIETY OF ARCHITECTURE AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE IN TEACHING

The Boston Society of Architects (BSA), a chapter of the American Institute of Architects, in accordance with the judgment of the BSA members of the AIA College of Fellows, presents this Award for Excellence in Teaching to a faculty member in Architecture or Liberal Studies for commitment to excellence in architectural education and contributions to the profession and to future professionals.

CERTIFICATE OF ACADEMIC MERIT: MASTER OF DESIGN STUDIES

This award honors a member of the graduating class for outstanding academic achievement.

ED TOOMEY AWARD FOR STUDENT ADVOCACY

In honor of his commitment to the students at the BAC, the Ed Toomey Award for Student Advocacy is awarded by Office of Student Life, in concert with student leadership, after an open call for nominations from the BAC student body. It is awarded to a member of the BAC faculty, staff, or administration who best exemplifies the spirit of serving students above all else.

EDWIN T. STEFFIAN CENTENNIAL AWARD: BACHELOR'S DEGREE PROJECT EXCELLENCE

This award is given each year to members of the graduating class from the School of Architecture, School of Design Studies, School of Interior Architecture, and School of Landscape Architecture for exceptional work on their bachelor degree project. [Degree Project Commendations](#) are awarded each year to bachelor degree students who have demonstrated outstanding work on their degree project.

EDWIN T. STEFFIAN CENTENNIAL AWARD: CAPSTONE PROJECT AWARD

This award is given each year to a member of the graduating class from the Real Estate Development program in the School of Design Studies for exceptional work on their master's capstone project. [Capstone Commendations](#) are awarded each year to degree students who have demonstrated outstanding work on their capstone project.

EDWIN T. STEFFIAN CENTENNIAL AWARD: MASTER'S THESIS EXCELLENCE

This award is given each year to a member of the graduating class from the School of Architecture, School of Interior Architecture, School of Design Studies, and School of Landscape Architecture for exceptional work on their master's thesis project. Thesis Commendations are awarded each year to degree students who have demonstrated outstanding work on their thesis project.

EDWIN T. STEFFIAN CENTENNIAL AWARD: OVERALL EXCELLENCE IN PRACTICE PRIZE

This prize recognizes the graduating student who has demonstrated the highest overall excellence in Practice through leadership, service, entrepreneurialism, self-development, and commitment to the community within and beyond the Boston Architectural College.

EXCELLENCE IN STUDENT LEADERSHIP AWARD

The Excellence in Student Leadership Award recognizes an exceptional graduating student who has gone above and beyond in their involvement with the Office of Student Life and has created and facilitated programs for the BAC community.

SARA E. BOURQUE '14 AND DAVID F. JAQUITH '69 LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE AWARD

This award honors a graduating Landscape Architecture student who has shown outstanding ability and talent in design, and has demonstrated a high degree of academic scholarship, intellectual curiosity, and service related to the art and technology of Landscape Architecture and the BAC. community itself.

COLLEGE LEADERSHIP

Mahesh Daas, DPACSA
President

Sydney Leo
Vice President of Finance and Administration

Kellie Bean
Vice President of Academic Affairs

James Ryan
Vice President of Enrollment Management

Lindsay Hummer
Vice President of Institutional Advancement

ACADEMIC LEADERSHIP

María Bellalta
Dean and Faculty, School of Landscape
Architecture

Bethany I. Lundell Garver
Dean and Faculty, Practice

Don Hunsicker
Dean and Faculty, School of Design Studies

Karen L. Nelson
Dean and Faculty, School of Architecture

Denise Rush
Dean and Faculty, School of Interior
Architecture

DEAN OF STUDENTS

Richard Griswold
Associate Vice President and Dean
of Students, Faculty in the School of
Architecture

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Peter Atwood
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Michael Fiorillo
Director and Faculty, Sustainable Design

Robert Gillig
Director and Faculty, Advanced Studios
and Building Technologies

Eleni Glekas
Director and Faculty, Historic Preservation

Chala Hadami
Director and Faculty, Special Projects for
Student Success

J. Davis Harte
Director and Faculty, Design for
Human Health

Margarita Iglesia
Director and Faculty, Curriculum
Development, Landscape
Architecture

Yoonjee Koh
Director and Faculty, Intermediate
Architecture Studios

Manuela Mariani
Assistant Director and Faculty,
Foundation Studios

Luis Montalvo
Director and Faculty, Media Arts

Lee Peters
Director and Faculty, Foundation
Studios

Sarah Redmore
Director and Faculty,
Undergraduate Interior
Architecture

Mark Rukamathu
Director of Special Projects,
Faculty, School of Architecture

Ian F. Taberner
Director and Faculty, Master's
Thesis, School of Architecture

Ashley Tannebaum
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Practice

PRACTICE

Tina Maceri Bolden
Director of Experiential Learning
Assessment, Faculty, Practice

Maria Sardiñas
Director of Career Services

**LEARNING
RESOURCE CENTER**

Elizabeth Stuhlsatz
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Center, Faculty, Liberal Studies

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Director of the Library

Dana Sly
Associate Director of the Library

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