

# Emerging Professionals

# grant program

## Goal

The new IIDA Emerging Professional Grant Program seeks to expand the experience and leadership opportunities of budding professionals, encourage dialogue in the profession, and share knowledge from the interiors practice with members in the Northern Pacific Chapter. The \$2500 grant supports an educational experience for the purposes of research, community service, education, or collaboration.

## Eligibility

Applicants must reside within the geographic territory of the IIDA Northern Pacific Chapter and have been practicing interior design for 2-10 years. Employees of BiNW are not eligible. The winner is expected to be a member of IIDA. If the chosen applicant is not a member of IIDA, funds from the winnings will be applied to an annual membership.

## Criteria

The IIDA Professional Award Committee will award grant funds based on proposals. Proposals should demonstrate the project's creativity, feasibility, impact and outcomes.

The Committee requests proposals from qualifying individuals highlighting their plan and outlining their area of study and investigation. The proposed travel or study program must address the built environment and have relevance and application to design issues faced in our chapter's region. The recipient will be expected to return to Seattle and publicly present the results and content of their travel and/or study to the Committee and IIDA Northern Pacific membership. Preference will be given to projects that produce a tangible product available to all chapter members, such as an exhibition, presentation, magazine article, program or publication.

## Schedule

Proposals are due March 1. Criteria and application will be available on February 1. The award will be announced at Toast, 2010. The award will be used between May 2010 and January 2011. A presentation will be made in person at an IIDA on-going education event in March 2011 with a short final experience recap at the IIDA Toast event, 2011. Submittal guidelines are available for download at right.

## SCHEDULE

February 1, 2010: Applications available

March 1, 2010: Proposals due

May 2010: Winner announced

June 2010- January 2011: Award available for use

March 2011: Guest speaker at IIDA Event

April 2011: Final recap of experience at IIDA Toast

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Proposals should include the following:

- Completion of an application form (download at <http://www.iida-northernpacific.org/awards-competitions>)
- Proof of eligibility (a copy of a transcript, diploma, or other documentation of your graduation date)
- Resume
- Description of your proposed study program, goals, outcomes and final presentation (2 page maximum)

The proposal description and content may take any form, and creativity in content and format is encouraged. The proposal should address and will be evaluated on the following:

- Topic of investigation
- Relationship to local design issues
- Proposed methodology or research plans
- Proposed outcomes and products
- Impact of the project on the local design community
  - Itinerary and proposed destination(s), if applicable
- Budget outline (1 page maximum)
- Two letters of reference that include name, title, phone number and email address. These may be from clients, community leaders, co-workers as well as professors and working professionals.

Proposals will be evaluated by the IIDA Advocates Committee.

The Committee reserves the right to not award a fellowship should no suitable proposals be submitted.

## How to apply

1. Download an application at <http://www.iida-northernpacific.org/awards-competitions>
2. Submit your proposal to IIDA. All submissions must be postmarked no later than **March 1, 2010**.

Send your hardcopy proposal packet: **IIDA-NPC, P.O. Box 12826, Seattle, WA 98111**. Proposals in an electronic format may be sent to [info@iida-northernpacific.org](mailto:info@iida-northernpacific.org).

## Questions

If you have any questions, contact

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E-mail Address \_\_\_\_\_

Work Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone \_\_\_\_\_

School Attended \_\_\_\_\_

(If applicable)

Graduation Year \_\_\_\_\_

### Proposal Checklist

- 1) Application
- 2) Proof of eligibility
- 3) Resume
- 4) Proposal description
- 5) Budget
- 6) References