

2026 Excellence in Concrete Awards

ACI Rocky Mountain Chapter



CALL FOR ENTRIES!

ABOUT THE AWARDS PROGRAM

The American Concrete Institute is a global organization dedicated to the advancement of concrete technology through research and education. The Rocky Mountain Chapter ACI brings this same education and advancement of concrete technology to Colorado. As part of that mission the Rocky Mountain Chapter ACI hosts the Excellence in Concrete Awards. In its 56th year, the program recognizes excellence in architectural and structural design as well as the unique, innovative, and sustainable uses of concrete in Colorado construction projects.

PROJECT RECOGNITION

The Rocky Mountain Chapter of ACI will recognize your professional accomplishments in Spring of 2026. The three designated project team members for each project category will be presented with an attractive Excellence in Concrete Award. All projects submitted will receive recognition; however, winners are held confidential until the day of the event. The RMACI will also send press releases to local and national industry related publications including the American Concrete Institute's *Concrete International* magazine.

The RMACI Board of Directors will select local project winners, the number at its discretion, for nomination to the ACI National 2026 Excellence in Concrete Construction Awards. The projects will compete in an international competition. Awardees will be recognized at the 2026 ACI Fall Concrete Convention and Exposition in Atlanta, Georgia on October 11, 2026.

ELIGIBILITY

Nominations will be accepted for projects completed in the state of Colorado from January 1, 2024, through December 31, 2025.

- ✓ Nominations are accepted from any person/firm involved in the project
- ✓ Project can utilize any type of Portland cement concrete - shotcrete, self consolidating, pervious, roller compacted.
- ✓ Project construction can be standard forming, tilt-up, pre-cast, shotcrete, or cast-in-place
- ✓ Projects constructed in phases are eligible for competition at the completion of each phase as well as at the time of completion of the overall project.

PROJECT CATEGORIES

Submittals are invited in the following categories:

- ✓ **Commercial/Industrial Buildings** - privately funded projects such as office buildings, hospitals, sports facilities, manufacturing or warehouse facilities, parking structures
- ✓ **Residential** - multi-family or single family
- ✓ **Civic Structures** - publicly funded projects such as schools, military facilities, community water parks
- ✓ **Infrastructure** - bridges, tunnels, roads, water and power resources
- ✓ **Flatwork/Paving** - parking lots, overlays, runways
- ✓ **Decorative Concrete** - floors, artwork, specialty architectural features
- ✓ **Restoration/Repair** - repair of existing concrete in lieu of replacement

Building projects required to be substantially completed, i.e. TCO.



JUDGING

An invited panel of professionals from the engineering, concrete, construction, and design disciplines will evaluate the entries and select the winning project in each category. The decision of the judges is final. The RMACI and judging panel reserve the right to move any entry into another category and to present special merit awards. Entries will be judged based on the following criteria:

- ✓ Innovative construction techniques or solutions
- ✓ Innovative use of materials
- ✓ Engineering merit
- ✓ Architectural merit
- ✓ Sustainability and resilience
- ✓ Functionality and end use suitability
- ✓ Creativity and Ingenuity

Refer to Criteria Guidelines for Judging and Definitions.

Submission Procedures

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WHAT TO SUBMIT:

1. Complete the Excellence in Concrete Awards Entry Form. Submitter needs to obtain the project owner's permission to submit the project and check the Owner's Consent box on the nomination form.
2. Please ensure the proper spelling of all company names on the nomination form as this information will be used for the engraving on the awards if the judging panel selects your project for an award.
3. Prepare the submission documents. Project Facts & Project Description are used by the judging panel to evaluate your project. It is highly recommended that you collaborate with other members of the project team to provide the most comprehensive project description. To view sample project descriptions, please visit the Chapter's website and click on the EIC Awards tab. Note: The judging will be based solely on the documentation submitted with the entry - there are no site visits.



4. Photographs - submit a minimum of 15/maximum of 25 photographs in jpg format. **Please Note:** Any photographs taken by a professional photographer **MUST** include a photographer's release in order to be included in the submission. It is the responsibility of the submitter to obtain the release. Once the nomination form is received by the RMACI office an email will be sent to the project submitter with instructions about how to upload the pictures to a Drop Box account. Pictures of the project throughout the entire construction process are preferred and should include a photo of the completed project. If available you may also submit time lapsed or drone video. Please make sure that all photographs are devoid of any date stamps, company names, or company logos. Photographs should be numbered with the project name.1, project name.2, etc.

5. **Submit materials electronically to the Rocky Mountain Chapter of ACI at:**
rockymountainaci@outlook.com

Submission Deadline: 5:00 PM - February 15, 2026.

6. Please note: entering the competition constitutes your agreement that all materials submitted become property of the Rocky Mountain Chapter of ACI and its industry partners. This material may be used by the Rocky Mountain Chapter of ACI or the American Concrete Institute for promotional purposes including, but not limited to, print materials, web content, or digital promotion without compensation to any of the members of the construction team. The person submitting the entry is responsible for obtaining all necessary releases from all parties (photographer, owner, etc.) prior to entering the competition.

Entry form must be completed in entirety for submission of projects.

Incomplete forms will not be accepted.

If you have questions regarding the submission process, please contact

Dawn Miller | RMACI Executive Director

at

702-203-7817

or

rockymountainaci@outlook.com



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PROJECT INFORMATION

Name of Project: _____
Street Address: _____ City/State/Zip: _____
Concrete Quantity (in cubic yards): _____ Date of Completion: _____
Construction Duration (month/year-month/year): _____

PROJECT SUBMITTED BY:

Contact Name: _____ Company: _____
Phone: _____ Email: _____
Address: _____ City/State/Zip: _____

Owner Consent

By checking this box, submitter certifies they have communicated with the owner and received approval to submit this project for award nomination. All submission materials will become the sole property of the Rocky Mountain Chapter ACI. This shall include the right to publish photographs and information without compensation.

PROJECT CATEGORIES (SELECT ONE)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Commercial/Industrial Buildings | <input type="checkbox"/> Residential | <input type="checkbox"/> Civic Structures | <input type="checkbox"/> Infrastructure |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Decorative Concrete | <input type="checkbox"/> Flatwork/Paving | <input type="checkbox"/> Restoration/Repair | |

PROJECT FACTS (150 - 200 WORDS)

- Please submit a word document with your nomination titled "Project Facts: (Project Name)" that outlines the basic project information. Include information such as project size, scope, span length, duration of construction, cubic yards of concrete in project, concrete strength, etc.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION (200-500 WORDS)

- Please submit a word document with your nomination titled: "Project Description: (Project Name)" that highlights the merits and achievements of your project. This description is the instrument that can make your project shine for the judges. Keep the project description focused on the **concrete construction aspects** of the project and use descriptive words. Creativity and detail will translate into a better presentation to the judges.

Project description should include an overview of the project including:

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| ✓ Unique or unusual structural or architectural concrete features (specific finishes, shapes, or project properties) | ✓ Construction innovations relative to location, placement, scheduling constraints, finishing, curing and expectations of project |
| ✓ Concrete material innovations (high performance concrete, special admixtures, special reinforcing, coatings, etc.) | ✓ Highlight multiple or complex mix designs utilized in the project |
| ✓ Concrete's contribution to construction efficiency, project economics or sustainability | ✓ Project challenges i.e. accessibility, historical limitations, agency requirements, environmental factors |
| ✓ Engineering Design Successes (special systems, spans, unique sections, floor flatness, etc.) | |

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PROJECT CONSTRUCTION TEAM MEMBERS *(All award engraving will be based on the information supplied below)*

Owner: _____ Contact Name: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Address: _____ City/State/Zip: _____

Architect: _____ Contact Name: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Address: _____ City/State/Zip: _____

Engineer: _____ Contact Name: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Address: _____ City/State/Zip: _____

Contractor: _____ Contact Name: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Address: _____ City/State/Zip: _____

Concrete Supplier: _____ Contact Name: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Address: _____ City/State/Zip: _____

Concrete Contractor: _____ Contact Name: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Address: _____ City/State/Zip: _____

**OPTIONAL - Additional Significant Project Contributor*

Title: _____ Contact Name: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Address: _____ City/State/Zip: _____

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PROJECT AWARD INFORMATION

Indicate the photograph you would like used for the Award if your project is chosen as a winner.
Photograph must be a landscape orientation. (Example: project name.1)

Indicate the three team members who will receive the Excellence in Concrete Award:

- Owner Architect Engineer Contractor Concrete Supplier Concrete Contractor
 Testing/Insp. Other _____

Additional Excellence in Concrete Awards will be available for purchase from RMACI for the other members of the construction team after the Awards banquet. Advance payment of \$85/award for the additional awards will be required.



Thank you for your submission!