

1996 AISC/NSBA Prize Bridge Awards



T_{HE BI-ANNUAL} AISC/NSBA PRIZE BRIDGE COMPETITION originated in 1928 to acknowledge outstanding steel bridge designs. The bridges are honored for aesthetics, economics and innovation in structural design.

This years categories are:

- Long Span (one or more spans more than 401' in length)
- Medium Span (longest span between 126' and 400' in length)
- Short Span (no single span greater than 125')
- Grade Separation (basic purpose is grade separation)
- Movable Span (having a movable span)
- Railroad (principal purpose of carrying a railroad)
- Special Purpose (bridge not identifiable in one of the above categories, including pedestrian, pipeline and airplane)
- Reconstructed (having undergone major rebuilding)

This year's competition was limited to bridges opened to traffic between May 1, 1991 and April 30, 1996.

Awards may or may not be given in each category at the discretion of the Prize Bridge Competition Jury. Prize Bridge Awards are limited to one in each category. Awards of Merit are reserved for entries that are considered outstanding but are not awarded a Prize Bridge Award.

This year's Prize Bridge Awards will be presented at the National Steel Bridge Symposium in Chicago on October 15-17. For more information on the Symposium, call 312/670-5421 or fax 312/670-5403 or check out the description on AISC's web page:

http://www.aiscweb.com



The 1996 Prize Bridge Competition Jury (from left to right):

- William Conway, CEO, Modjeski & Masters, Inc.
- James E. Siebels, Chief Engineer, Engineering Design & Construction, Colorado Department of Transportation
- Theodore V. Galambos, Professor, Department of Civil and Mineral Engineering, University of Minnesota
- Myint Lwin, Bridge and Structures Engineer, Washington State Department of Transportation
- Charles A. Parthum, President, ASCE

The mission of The National Steel Bridge Alliance (NSBA), which was formed in 1995, is to enhance the art and science of the design and construction of steel bridges. Its activities include organizing meetings, conferences and national symposia, conducting the Prize Bridge Award competition, supporting research, developing/distributing design aids, and providing assistance to bridge owners and designers. The NSBA membership includes representatives from all aspects of the steel bridge industry.