

# 1998 AISC/NSBA PRIZE BRIDGE AWARDS

The 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 year's categories are:

- Historic (maintaining the original intent after a reconstruction)
- Long Span (one or more spans more than 400' in length)
- Medium Span (longest span between 125' and 400' in length)
- Short Span (no single span greater)
- 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)

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.

This year's competition was limited to bridges opened to traffic between May 1, 1993 and April 30, 1998.



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 September 2-4. For more information on the Symposium, call 612/591-9099 or fax 312/670-5403 or check out the description on AISC's web page: <http://www.aisc.org>