Sponsored by the American Institute of Steel Construction, the I.D.E.A.S. awards (Innovative Design and Excellence in Architecture with Steel) recognize architectural designs using structural steel as a prominent architectural feature.

AISC presented each project’s architect with their I.D.E.A.S. award at the AIA 2003 National Convention and Expo in San Diego in May. Awards were presented in four categories based on project cost: less than $10 million—single family residence; less than $10 million; $10 million and greater, but less than $25 million; and $100 million and greater.

**Eligibility**
- Structural steel must form a prominent architectural feature of the building, either as an interior or exterior application.
- Building construction must have been completed after January 1, 1999.
- Projects must have been designed by architects licensed in the United States.

**Judging Criteria**
- Creative use of exposed structural steel in the architectural design
- Overall aesthetic and visual impact of the project
- Design resolution demonstrating exemplary sensitivity in the resolution of formal, functional and technical requirements as outlined in the project description
- Technical advancement in the use of structural steel in the architectural expression
- Creativity and sensitivity in the combination of structural steel elements with other materials

**This Year’s Jury**
- AISC sincerely thanks this year’s jury participants:
  - Paul Tonti, Vice President/Director of Architecture, SmithGroup, Detroit
  - Neil Anderson, Partner, NBBJ, Columbus, OH
  - William Hartman, AIA, Vice President and Managing Director, Gensler, Detroit

**Award Winners**

$100M and greater

**National Winner**
The Kimmel Center for Performing Arts, Philadelphia—Rafael Viñoly Architects, PC, New York City

$10M and greater, but less than $25M

**Merit Award**
New 42nd Street Studios, New York City—Platt Byard Dovell White, New York City

Less than $10M

**National Winner**
West Campus–Des Moines Area Community College—Renaissance Design Group, Des Moines

**Merit Awards**
Desert Garden Ramada, Tucson—Seaver Franks Architects Inc., Tucson
Lake Austin Boat Dock, Austin—Miró Rivera Architects, Austin
Woodstock Branch Library, Portland, OR—Thomas Hacker Architects Inc., Portland, OR

Less than $10M—Single-Family Residence

**National Winner**
Residence for Art, Dallas—Lake/Flato Architects, San Antonio

**Merit Award**
Greenwich Playhouse, Greenwich, CT—Austin Patterson Disston Architects, LLC, Southport, CT