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Big buildings get bigger honors at the 2023 Design Pittsburgh awards

For the 16th consecutive year, the American Institute of Architects honors some of the best architecture in Pittsburgh.

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Chatham University's Anderson Dining Hall

Photo by Ed Massery

There's a cup, ring, medal or prize for just about every field, and while architects might not be seen as local heroes, they are the ones who make Pittsburgh look, well, like Pittsburgh.

After a week of exploring Pittsburgh's design during the

second annual Architecture Week hosted by the local chapter of the American Institute of Architects, specific structures and individuals were honored on Thursday night at the Design Pittsburgh awards — a signature ceremony since 2007.

A jury of Buffalo architects

judged nearly 65 buildings — categorized as small, medium or large — on their design, diversity, sustainability and functionality. Also bestowed were the Social Impact Award, the Peoples' Choice Award and the Young Architects Studio Competition.



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Medium Project
Certificate of Merit

Chatham Anderson Dining Hall, Squirrel Hill. Rothschild Doyno Collaborative. Jury comments: "Chatham Dining Hall is effectively transformed by the introduction of a faux skylight. The impact of this one element is astounding and its contrast with the wooden ceiling and raw steel columns generates an elegant composition."



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