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THE CHICAGO ATHENAEUM ANNOUNCES **THE 2008 INTERNATIONAL ARCHITECTURE AWARDS** **DEADLINE DECEMBER 1, 2007**

CHICAGO, ILLINOIS, September 4, 2007. . . The Chicago Athenaeum: Museum of Architecture and Design in association with Metropolitan Arts Press Ltd. are organizing the next edition of the “**International Architecture Awards**®” as a way in which to honor the most outstanding architecture designed and built throughout the world.

The program is organized and curated by the Finnish architecture journalist and critic, Christian K. Narkiewicz-Laine and co-presented by Milan’s prestigious *Abitare* Magazine.

Last year, hundreds of submissions for this Awards program were received from the best and most renowned design firms in Europe, Asia, Africa, Australia, and the Americas. The submissions ranged from new corporate headquarters, skyscrapers, institutions, sports and transportation facilities, airports, urban planning projects, sacred spaces, and private residences and multi-family housing designed by architects in their countries of origin or abroad for both built and unbuilt projects alike.

In 2007, fifty-seven (57) projects were selected by a distinguished jury in Moscow, which was organized by the Union of Architects of Russia. Noted Russian architectural practitioners and architecture journalists served as jury members and honored 57 projects with the “**International Architecture Award.**”

Previous award winners can be seen at the Museum’s website at www.chi-athenaeum.org.

The deadline for 2008 submissions is **DECEMBER 1, 2007.**

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The 2008 awards program considers new corporate headquarters, skyscrapers, institutions, sports and transportation facilities, interiors, urban planning projects, airports, and residences for awards, designed by architects in their countries of origin or abroad for both built and unbuilt projects alike, as of January 1, 2004.

The 2008 jury for awards is scheduled to take place in Europe with noted European architectural practitioners and architecture journalists serving as jury members. The awarded projects and other selected buildings will form an exhibition that is scheduled for an international tour.

In 2007, "**The International Architecture Awards**" formed an exhibition of "**New World Architecture**" and exhibited in London, Brussels, Eindhoven, and Florence.

The Chicago Athenaeum: Museum of Architecture and Design founded "**The International Architecture Awards**" as a way in which to draw significant international attention to new buildings and planning projects being built and designed worldwide by the best international architecture offices and firms.

The program has a unique educational mission and public profile with the intent of promoting and celebrating new world architecture to a international audience of developers, real-estate executives, corporate business, design professionals, and the general public.

Entry forms are available on line at www.chi-athenaeum.org.

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