AWDG ARCASIA ARCHITECTURAL WELLNESS DESIGN GROUP UNDER **ACSR**

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ARCASIA

Architectural Wellness Design and Universal Design Award

ARCASIA Committee on Social Responsibility
ARCASIA Committee on Architectural Education
2026-2027

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the AWARD



Objectives

ARCASIA launches this award to promote the awareness of Architectural Wellness Design and Universal Design among architectural students of universities. Their innovative thinking and proactive participation would lead the professional into an even more integrated architectural design fulfilling the following objectives:

Objective 1:
To cutivate architectural wellness and universal design concepts through socially-responsive design with research-driven support.

Objective 2:
To nourish future professional leaders through active acquisition and innovative application of the latest architectural design aspiration to address societal challenges.

Objective 3:
To foster a wider cross-professional collaboration and collaboration and engagement of local community.

Objective 4:
To align Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), including Goal 3 (good health and well-being), Goal 4 (Quality Education), Goal 11 (Sustainable Cities and Communities), Goal 15 (Life on Land), and Goal 17 (Partnerships for Goals).

Theme

EMPOWERING ARCHITECTURAL EXCELLENCE FOR WELLNESS AND UNIVERSAL DESIGN.

This competion focuses on **equitable inclusive spaces for all in the built environment – architectural spaces, interiors, landscapes and urban spaces.**

Participants can propose a sub-theme to enliven their design proposals, so as to demonstrate the adoption and application of the design, to promote architectural wellness design, and universal design.

Key terminologies include: *Accessibility, Architectural Wellness, Barrier-Free, Humanity, Inclusiveness, Joyfulness, Safety, User-Friendliness.*

Project Nature

There is no specific requirement for architectural projects.

Participants are encouraged to decide for themselves how they would like to present their project in the best possible manner, that will convey their ideas clearly to the Jury Panel, of which all are architects.

Examples of socially responsible & buildable projects but not limited to:

- Inclusive Community Interactive Space
- Inclusive Neighborhood Hub
- Inclusive Playground or Play Space
- Inclusive Social Space for All

Information

01 Eligibility

- Open to Undergraduate and Postgraduate Architecture Students from universities recognized by their respective ARCASIA Member Institute. Age Limit: Undergraduate Students: 22 / Postgraduate Students: 25.
- Entries must be submitted by a team of 3–5 members.
- Each team must appoint a Team Leader who is a Student Member or equivalent with an ARCASIA Member Institute, with letter to proof as Student Member.
- All team members must be the current students of Architecture or graduates.
- Each member must provide:
  - a Student Status Letter issued by the university authorities (for undergraduate students), or
  - a Graduate Certificate (for postgraduate participants),
  - signed by the Dean of their current or former university. The university must be recognized by an ARCASIA Member Institute.
- At least one team member must be from or associated with a related discipline, such as Urban Planning, Urban Design, Sociology, or another Social Responsibility-related field.
- Each student can participate in one (1) team only. Individual entry would not be considered.

02 Recognition

The Winning entries will be recognized with ARCASIA Certificates, propaganda in ARCASIA magazine, website and relevant media.

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Submission Requirement

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- Please specify UNDER-GRADUATE or POST-GRADUATE category.
- Design Proposal – 4 nos. of A2 PDF (max.), total resolution of less than 20MB.
- Design Statement – 2 no. of A4 PDF (max.) with emphasis on SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY AND IMPACT,
- HUMAN-CENTRIC DESIGN APPROACH, INNOVATIVE CONCEPTS. Please highlight the aspects of Architectural Wellness Design and Universal Design for appreciation.
- Participants information:
  - Name of Paricipant (please highlight Leader's name for Team entry)
  - Name of Member Institute (Team Leader)
  - Name of University
- There is NO submission fee.
- Maximum number of entries: 1 per Team



Submission Requirement

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Anonymity & Confidentiality

- All entries will remain anonymous during the judging process. Participant details will be stored securely and disclosed only for award recognition.
- Students are not allowed to include their names, their universities, or their countries (or any identifying details) on the submitted drawings.
- Upon registration, students will receive a Registration Number, which must be displayed on the drawing.

03

Intellectual Property Rights

Participants retain authorship of their designs. However, ARCASIA reserves the right to use, exhibit, and publish submitted works for educational and promotional purposes.

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Language

All submissions must be in English.

Timeline

JULY 2026
1st SYMPOSIUM

OCT 2026
LAUNCH OF DESIGN COMPETITION

OCT 2026
2ND SYMPOSIUM

FEB 2027
3RD SYMPOSIUM

MAR 31, 2027
DEADLINE FOR REGISTRATION AND ENQUIRY

MAY 2027
4th SYMPOSIUM

JUN 30, 2027
DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSION

AUG 2027
PRESENTATION TO JURY PANEL

NOV 2027
ANNOUNCEMENT AND PRESENTATION OF AWARD AT ACA-22

JOINT COLLABORATIVE EFFORT OF ARCASIA MEMBER INSTITUTES

PLEASE JOIN US TO CONTRIBUTE YOUR WISDOM FOR A BETTER ASIA

Design Competition Jurors



ACSR Chair (by post)
Ar. Vanessa Lagman Ledesma
(Zone B)



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(Zone A)



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Ar. Gibson Rhie
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Zone A Expert
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Zone B Expert
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Zone C Expert
Ar. Dr Joseph Kwan



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Ar Kam Sing Wong
(Non-ARCASIA Representative)

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Submission & Queries

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Please send Registration, Enquiry and Submission via the Google form by scanning the QR code:

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