



## Singapore Archifest 2025 (SGAF25)

Singapore Archifest 2025, held from 25 June to 25 July, invites design enthusiasts and the public to explore a radical new perspective on architecture. The overarching theme, "Don't (Just) Think Like An Architect", challenges conventional thinking and positions architecture as a dynamic force shaping lives, communities, and the future of our world.

Helmed by Festival Director Ar. Rene Tan from RT+Q Architects, SGAF 2025 features exhibitions, talks, workshops, and citywide events (SGAF+) designed to engage the public and the architectural community.



## Architects Roundtable

An SG60 event bringing together over 60 local architects, ranging from pioneering figures to emerging talents, to discuss the evolution and future of Singapore's architectural landscape.



Learn more about Archifest here!

## AF Market 25

The AF Market is held in conjunction with SGAF25, as a Specifier Market. This is where different suppliers in the built environment will have the opportunity to showcase and display their products and services, expanding their reach to the architects.



## SIA Annual Dinner

The SIA Annual Dinner 2025 was held on 25 June at the Sands Expo & Convention Centre, Level 4, Peony Ballroom. Themed "Architect by Day, \_\_\_\_\_ by Night". The Annual Dinner served as a platform to reconnect with peers, honour shared passions for design, and celebrate the diverse roles architects play in society.



## Building and Construction Authority (BCA) Taskforce for Architectural & Engineering Consultants

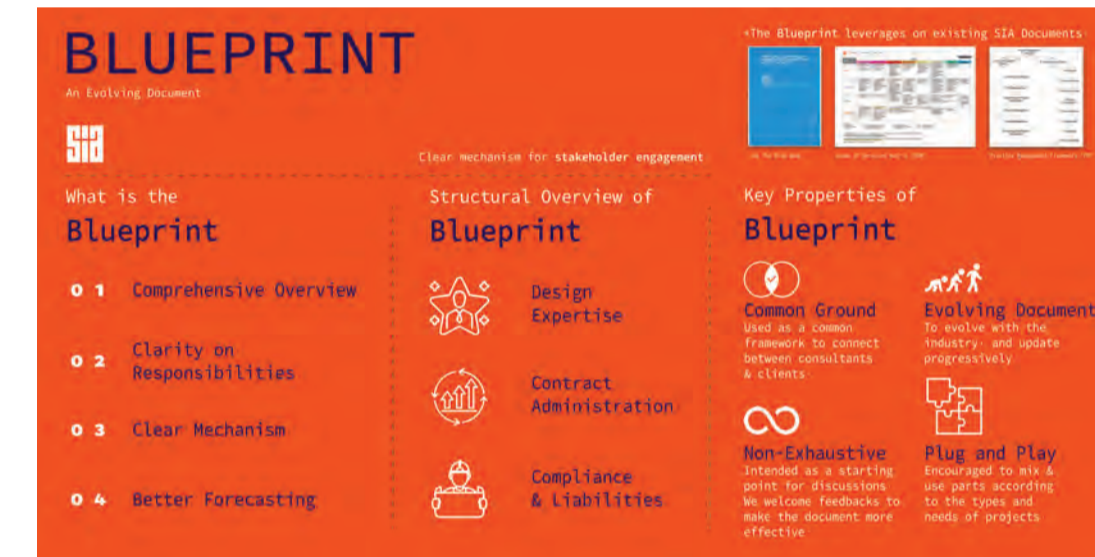
The BCA Taskforce for Architectural & Engineering Consultants (VAF) works closely in the industry to identify and address key challenges. SIA collaborates with the BCA Taskforce on Fee Guide to develop a comprehensive reference on typical fees. This guide will help streamline negotiations, increase transparency, and strengthen collaboration between architects and clients.



## G5 Value Articulation Framework (VAF) Blueprint

SIA is committed to fostering a fair and competitive practice landscape for the profession. To support this, the SIA VAF Blueprint was developed as a practical reference that outlines the essential services architects provide. It serves as a template for planning service scopes and determining the time, resources, and manpower needed at different project stages. By adopting the common terminology within the VAF, architects can strengthen communication and collaboration with clients and stakeholders.

The Blueprint has received strong support from industry stakeholders, including BCA and the Real Estate Developers' Association of Singapore (REDAS), who recognise its potential to improve transparency, professionalism, and fair remuneration. Beyond core services, the VAF highlights opportunities for firms to strengthen competitiveness and provides a shared platform for dialogue with agencies such as BCA and the Taskforce for Architectural and Engineering Consultants on fees and salaries.



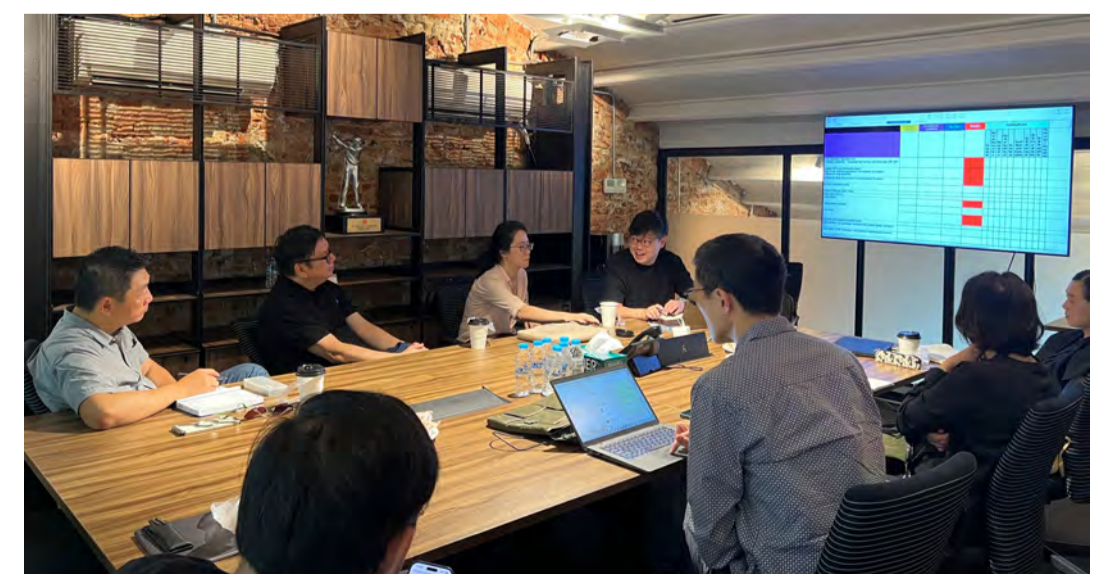
## SIA Fee Scale

In a 2025 pilot study with the BCA on Housing & Development Board Build-To-Order and condominium typologies, SIA found that professional fees need to be about 3 times current levels for architects to adequately fulfil today's scope and responsibilities.

To address this, SIA encourages firms to adopt the VAF as a reference to review resourcing, improve planning, and make informed assessments for the collective benefit of the profession.

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Together, these initiatives mark a pivotal step in raising industry standards and ensuring architects are fairly valued for their expertise and contributions.



Learn more about VAF here!

## SIA Design Awards (SIADA) 2025

The SIA Architectural Design Awards continue to honor outstanding achievements in architecture, recognizing projects that demonstrate design excellence, sustainability, and innovation.

SIADA introduced a "Overseas High-Density Housing" category, inviting partners from the 4-Nation Partnership to submit projects. This expansion aims to recognize more deserving projects, spotlight architectural creativity across the region, and make this award cycle more inclusive and dynamic.

This continued expansion reflects SIA's commitment to fostering regional collaboration and celebrating design excellence beyond Singapore.



## 2025 Design of the Year

Firm Name: Hyla Architects  
Project Name: Inner Haven



Learn more about SIADA here!

## SIA Design Competitions 2025

The URA-SIA Queensway Node Design Competition invites multidisciplinary teams to transform the sheltered space beneath the Queensway Flyover along the Rail Corridor into a distinctive, inclusive community node celebrating Queenstown's heritage and identity. Entries are evaluated on creativity, inclusivity, feasibility, and placemaking to reimagine this underutilised urban area.



## Sketch, Paint & Celebrate SG60 with SIA!

In celebration of Singapore's 60th anniversary, SIA launched the Sketch, Paint & Celebrate SG60 with SIA! competition, inviting members to capture the nation's architectural heritage through art.

This initiative not only celebrated Singapore's architectural milestones but also fostered a deeper connection between the architectural community and the public through the universal language of art.

