



*2026 Regional Design-Build  
Leadership Award*

# *DBIA Rocky Mountain Region 2026 Design-Build Leadership Award Prospectus*

The DBIA Rocky Mountain Design-Build Leadership Award winners set themselves apart in the industry as the nation's best design-builders. It's the people that make Design-Build projects a reality. While the professionals in our industry are diverse, they share one common element — excellence. Now's the time to celebrate our industry leaders by nominating the inspiring individuals who exemplify Design-Build Done Right in all they do. We invite you to nominate an individual for our 2026 Regional Design-Build Leadership Awards.

## *Objective*

To recognize individuals who have demonstrated leadership in the advancement of best Design-Build practices and of Design-Build as the project delivery method of choice.

*All qualified individuals are encouraged  
to submit an entry.*

## *Submission Categories:*

- Awards may be presented in the following categories:
- Public or Private Owner
- Industry Professional: Including, but not limited to, architect, engineer, specialty contractor, and attorney
- State or Local Legislator
- Full-time Faculty
- Student

**Public and Private Sector Owner** nominees are judged by the overall impact of their professional work. They are evaluated in terms of their achievements in furthering design-build as a delivery method as demonstrated in one or more of the following areas.

- A strong and well-documented commitment to design-build and single source responsibility contracting through repeated use.
- Use of design-build in a new application, such as D-BOT or D-BOM, a new project type, or the development and use of a new technology.
- Active participation on the design-build team by attending meetings and making decisions in a timely manner.
- A strong involvement in the design-build industry.
- Vocal and written advocacy of design-build and design-build best practices in the public sector.
- Commitment to the use of design-build best practices.

**Industry Professional** nominees are judged by the overall impact of their professional work. They are evaluated in terms of their achievements in advancing design-build as a delivery method as demonstrated in one or more of the following areas.

- A strong and well-documented commitment to design-build and single source responsibility contracting through repeated use.
- Use of design-build in a new application, such as D-BOT or D-BOM, a new project type or the development and use of a new technology.
- Active participation on the design-build team by attending meetings and making decisions in a timely manner.
- A strong involvement in the design-build industry.
- Vocal and written advocacy of design-build and design-build best practices in the private sector. Commitment to the use of design-build best practices.

**State & Local Legislator** nominees are judged by the overall impact of their legislative careers. They are evaluated in terms of their achievements in furthering design-build as a delivery method as demonstrated in one or more of the following areas.

- A strong and well-documented commitment to alternate delivery strategies, including design-build project delivery.
- Sponsorship or co-sponsorship of design-build enabling legislation on the state or local level.
- Vocal and written advocacy of design-build and design-build best practices for use in public agencies or departments.

**Faculty** nominees are judged by the overall impact of their research and teaching careers. They are evaluated in terms of their achievements in furthering design-build as a delivery method as demonstrated in one or more of the following areas.

- Development of a series of courses or a curriculum on design-build.
- Research and development in the promotion of design-build and design-build best practices. Involvement in the design-build industry.
- Mentoring students in design-build.
- Encouragement and active involvement in DBIA student chapters.
- Vocal and written advocacy of design-build.

**Student** nominees are judged by the overall direction and impact of their student careers. They are evaluated in terms of their achievements in furthering design-build as a delivery method as demonstrated in one or more of the following areas.

- Enrollment in a series of courses or a curriculum on design-build.
- Contact with and mentoring by design-build professionals.
- Articulation of design-build issues to other students and faculty.
- Completion of papers, theses, or dissertations on items relating to design-build.
- Participation in design-build competitions.
- Participation in national or regional DBIA events (conferences, seminars, etc.).
- Founding/leadership role in DBIA student chapter\*.

## *Submission Process:*

Submissions Due Date:	February 13th, 2026, by 5pm MST
Awards Announced:	April 17th, 2026
Award Celebration:	The physical award will be presented at the Rocky Mountain Regional Conference in May.

There is no entry fee for nominating an individual for the Design-Build Leadership Awards. Nominations must be formatted in Microsoft Word or PDF format and submitted via email to Amanda Faith at [amanda@dbiarmr.org](mailto:amanda@dbiarmr.org). "2026 Leadership Awards" should be in the subject line of the email.

In the nomination submission, include the following:

- 2026 Distinguished Leadership Awards, Nominees Name and Category as the header of the document.
- Nominee's name, position, company/organization, and contact information (mailing address, email, and phone number(s)). If the nominee is a student, please be sure to include where he/she may be reached during the summer months.
- Identify if the individual is DBIA or Assoc. DBIA Certified.
- Contact information of the person submitting the nomination (name, organization, mailing address, email, and phone number(s)).
- Provide a detailed description answering how the nominee meets the award criteria (8 1/2 x 11, portrait orientation, minimum 10 font).
- Visual aids may be included if supportive of the nomination. They should not exceed 8.5" x 11" in size and should be included within the nomination document. CDs, and DVDs will not be accepted.
- Signed copy of the Waiver / Disclosure Agreement on the next page
- High Resolution JPEG of individual's headshot

## ***Appendix***

Signed Waiver / Disclosure Agreement (See Next Page)



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## ***WAIVER DISCLOSURE AGREEMENT***

On behalf of the submitting company, I understand that the contents of this entry become the property of DBIA and will not be returned. DBIA shall have the right to make all text and photos available for publication without compensation, real or implied, and without claim by nominees against the jury, DBIA or its staff, or individual DBIA members. I certified that I further understand that DBIA has the right to include information provided in this entry for a public project database.

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Printed Name

Title

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Signature

Date