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## 11<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL JEFF HARNAR AWARD for CONTEMPORARY ARCHITECTURE in NEW MEXICO

### **CALL FOR ENTRIES ANNOUNCED**

ALBUQUERQUE, NM – The *Jeff Harnar Award for Contemporary Architecture* is now accepting submissions for the 2018 award cycle. This is the 11<sup>th</sup> year of this award that honors the late Jeff Harnar, known for his groundbreaking design in contemporary architecture in Santa Fe, NM. The *Jeff Harnar Award* is a prestigious award in the architectural profession and offers one of the top prize amounts in the country, awarding the winner a \$10,000 cash prize. Submissions must be from an architect or architectural firm for a singular work of architecture built in New Mexico which has been completed since January 1, 2012. The architect or firm do not need to be from New Mexico and there is no limit to the number of entries per firm or architect. **Entries must be completed and received no later than 4:30 p.m., February 2nd, 2018.** Details for the submission requirements are available at <http://www.jeffharnaraward.com/submit-an-entry-judging-process.aspx>.

In addition to the Jeff Harnar Award for Contemporary Architecture, for the first time this year we have instituted the Jeff Harnar Award for Unbuilt Design, in the categories of architecture and landscape architecture. The prize for the two Unbuilt categories is \$250 each. With the addition of the Unbuilt Design category, the intention is to expand recognition for New Mexican designers. The category allows any designer, from an architecture or landscape architecture student, to a recent graduate, to an unlicensed designer or a licensed professional to submit their design work.

The *Harnar Award* and program is sponsored by the Thornburg Foundation, who has sponsored this award for the past 11 years. The University of New Mexico's School of Architecture + Planning organizes the event and determines both the award process and selection of the jury.

The award presentation and celebration will be held on February 23, 2017 at 5:00 p.m. at the School of Architecture + Planning's Garcia Honda Auditorium located at George Pearl Hall at UNM. A jury of architects will narrow the submissions and the winners in both categories will be announced at the award presentation.

"The award was created in Jeff's honor to encourage creativity and excellence in contemporary architectural design," said Garrett Thornburg, Chairman of the Thornburg Foundation. "We want to promote contemporary architecture and sustainable design of new architectural forms which celebrate and integrate with the unique landscape of New Mexico."

Geraldine Forbes Isais, Dean of the School of Architecture and Planning said, "The *Jeff Harnar Award* program implicitly asks the architectural community to challenge all New Mexicans to examine the urban and rural conditions of the state and advance an architecture that is sometimes respectful, sometimes provocative - but always contemporary and uniquely New Mexican."