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CALL FOR ENTRIES

The Chattanooga Chapter of the American Institute of Architects (AIA) is pleased to announce our fifth annual scholarship for rising 9-12th grade students in Chattanooga, TN to attend the design summer camp offered by the University of Tennessee Knoxville (UTK). The purpose of this scholarship is to provide students with an interest in architecture an opportunity to spend a week getting a taste of architecture education and design thinking.

A minimum of two scholarships will be awarded and must be used during the summer of 2025. Additional scholarships may be offered if/as additional sponsorships are identified concurrently for this Call for Entries.

The 2025 Summer Design Camp offered through UTK will be held in person the week of July 13th – 19th. Additional details about the camp may be found here: <https://archdesign.utk.edu/study/summer-design-camp/>

The application shall include the following:

1. Typed responses- no more than 100 words to each of the following:
 - a. Why does architecture interest you? Think of a building or a part of the city you like. Why does it impact you?
 - b. Why do you think architects are important – to their communities and to history and culture? Why are you interested in having those roles?
 - c. What personal accomplishments are you most proud of?
2. Provide an image or digital file of an original work created by the applicant. The subject does not need to be related to architecture. This could be a photo of a model or sculpture you have made; A drawing, photograph, video, song, or other original work that shows your creative abilities.
3. One letter of recommendation from an instructor or advisor who is well acquainted with your work.
4. Answer the following Yes/No question: Are you/will you be a first-generation college student?
5. Contact information (Phone Number and Email Address) for a Parent or Legal Guardian to be used to coordinate Camp Registrations with UTK upon selection.

Please email completed submissions to exec@aiachatt.org by 5pm on May 9, 2025. The scholarship committee of AIA Chattanooga will review all qualifying applicants before determining the recipient of the scholarships. Applicants will be notified via email by May 16, 2025. The scholarship funds will be made payable to the summer architecture camp. The scholarship includes room and board during the week of camp. Reimbursement of travel expenses to and from Knoxville may be considered under special requests.

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AIA Chattanooga is a local chapter of the American Institute of Architecture, a national professional organization with more than 96,000 members. Organized in 1953, we serve members in greater Chattanooga and surrounding areas.

The AIA is the voice of the architectural community. We advocate at the national, state, and local levels for issues affecting the practice of architecture and work to educate the public on the significant role of architects.