ACEC
American Council of Engineering Companies
of Connecticut

2027 ENGINEERING EXCELLENCE AWARDS

Call for Entries

The ACEC-CT Engineering Excellence Awards program offers firms an opportunity to earn national recognition and showcase their talent and expertise.

Eligibility

The competition is open to any firm or individual engaged in the practice of consulting engineering in Connecticut, whether or not the firm or individual is an ACEC/CT member. Eligible projects (a) must have been built in Connecticut, or (b) the majority of the design work must have been performed in Connecticut, although the project may have been built anywhere.

Constructed projects must have been ready for use between November 1, 2024 and October 31, 2026. Studies must have been publicly disclosed by the client between November 1, 2024 and October 31, 2026.

There is a $500 entry fee for ACEC-CT members entering the state competition and a $1,000 entry fee for nonmember firms.

How to Enter

Your entry must be submitted to ACEC-CT by November 2, 2026 via email. Do not submit hard copies. Note: the panel and notebook requirements detailed in the national ACEC application are not required for the ACEC-CT competition. Entries must include the following:

1. Completed ACEC-CT Entry Form.
2. ACEC-CT entry fee.
3. Two-page written synopsis in MS Word format describing the project, your firm's role, the role of other consultants participating in the project, your firm's contribution to the project and how your firm's contribution meets the judging criteria.
4. Three pictures or graphics of the project in electronic format such as a TIFF or JPEG. (Embedded photos in Word or PDF documents are not acceptable.)
5. Each participating firm must submit an endorsement/release letter or email from the owner granting permission to enter the project in the ACEC-CT Engineering Excellence Awards Competition.

6. Each participating firm must submit a Microsoft Excel file listing the key participants in the project. Key participants include owners, design team, contractors, construction managers, and major subcontractors. Information for each key participant should include; organization name, contact person, mailing address, email and phone number.

An **oral presentation** of not more than fifteen minutes will be made to the judges' panel by each participating firm on **November 19, 2026.** Along with the oral presentation, firms may use a PowerPoint presentation, display boards, slides, videos or photos. **CT Award winners will be notified by e-mail on or before November 25, 2026**.

The winning firms will be honored at the **ACEC-CT Engineering Excellence Awards Dinner on January 25, 2027**. Winning firms will also be eligible to enter the **ACEC National Competition and must submit their entry by January 6, 2027.**

How 2027 ACEC-CT Projects are Judged

Projects will be judged by the following factors:

- Uniqueness and/or innovative applications of new or existing techniques (20%)
- Future value to the engineering professional and enhanced public awareness/enthusiasm of the role of engineering (20%)
- Social, economic, and sustainable development considerations (20%)
- Complexity (10%)
- Successful fulfillment of client/owner needs including schedule and budget (30%)

ACEC-CT Engineering Excellence Award Timetable

- Submit Entry form electronically– November 2, 2026
- Webinar for Applicants – November 5, 2026
- Oral Presentations – November 19, 2026
- Award Winners Announced by November 25, 2026
- EEA Awards Dinner – January 25, 2027

ACEC National Engineering Excellence Award Timetable

- Deadline for National ACEC Award – January 6, 2027
- ACEC National Phone Conversations – January 12, 2027
- ACEC National Judging – February 19-21, 2027
- ACEC Awards Gala, Washington, DC – April 20, 2027

Please contact Tricia Dinneen Priebe or Lisa Winkler, ACEC-CT Executive Directors with any questions about submitting your firm's entry.

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APPLICATION

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Firm Name:		
Firm Contact*:		Title:
Firm Address:		
City:	State:	Zip:
Phone: ( )	Email:	
Title of Project:		
Location of Project:		
Project Owner:		
Briefly describe your firm's involvement in the project (preliminary design, design, construction administration, etc.) and the project delivery method (design-bid-build, design-build, construction manager, etc.):		
Your Client:		
Client Contact:		
Client Address:		
City:	State:	Zip:
Phone: ( )	Email:	

* This is the individual to contact for arranging judging presentation, results, etc.

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Application - *continued*

Category:

☐ Built projects with construction cost less than $10 million

☐ Built projects with construction cost more than $10 million

☐ Studies

Qualification (check all that apply):

☐ The project was built in Connecticut.

☐ The project was not built in Connecticut, but a majority of the project design work was performed in Connecticut.

Registration Fee: $500 for ACEC-CT members, $1,000 for non-members - Enclosed $_____

Name:	Card Number:		
CVC/CCID Code:		Expiration Date:	
Billing Address:		City:	Zip:
Signature:			

Checklist:

☐ ACEC/CT Application (this form)

☐ Registration Fee (MasterCard/VISA or check which can be mailed separately)

☐ Project Description (no more than two pages in MS Word format via email)

☐ Project Photos (three photos in jpeg or tiff format via email)

☐ Release letter from owner giving permission to enter competition

☐ Excel file of key participants via email

Application Deadline: November 2, 2026

E-mail to: tricia@grassrootsct.com

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