



**AIA Miami**

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## NEWS RELEASE

# American Institute of Architects Miami Chapter Announces 14<sup>th</sup> Annual Photography Competition

MIAMI –The Miami Chapter of the American Institute of Architects (AIA Miami) is now accepting entries for its 14th Annual International Photography Competition, which offers \$1,500 in prize money for winning entries of color and black and white photography.

With design and architecture found virtually everywhere, the competition celebrates its diversity, encouraging photographers to capture architecture and design in all its forms. Subject matter of all photographs entered must have an architectural theme or contain some element of the built environment. Location of images is unrestricted.

The AIA Miami photography competition is being held in collaboration with Bienal America 2007.

The winning entries will be displayed at the 2007 AIA Miami International Architecture Photography Exhibition at the University of Miami School of Architecture gallery in Coral Gables during Celebrate Architecture in November.

The best overall entry will win a \$1,000 cash prize. The winning photograph in both color and black and white categories will be awarded \$250 each.

“Through this very competitive international photography competition, we focus on bringing architecture and design the recognition it deserves, not only from professionals in the industry, but from the general public, whose lives are every day affected and enriched by it,” said AIA Miami President Martin Diaz-Yabor. “Through this competition we are able to celebrate architecture and bring it to the forefront.”

All entries must be received Friday, October 25, before 5 p.m. Mail entries to 2007 AIA Miami International Photography Competition, Miami AIA Component, 275 University Drive, Coral Gables, FL 33134. Entry forms may be downloaded from the AIA Miami website at [www.aiamiami.com](http://www.aiamiami.com).

The non-refundable entry fee is \$50 (\$20 for students) for up to five prints per entry. The fee and completed entry form must accompany the prints entered. The number of entries per participant is unlimited. Only mounted prints ready for display may be entered. Images must be mounted on 11-by-14-inch presentation quality white mat boards. Entries must have been taken and be owned by the participant.

The competition is open to the general public and amateurs only. All winning entries become the property of AIA Miami.

For additional information, call AIA Miami at (305) 448-7488 or visit the competition page on their website, [www.aiamiami.com](http://www.aiamiami.com). Information is also available at [www.bienalmiami.com](http://www.bienalmiami.com).

AIA Miami, which has nearly 700 members, will host more than 25,000 members of AIA during the international convention here in 2010, offers professional development and support for member architecture professionals in South Florida.

The AIA national organization, which is celebrating its 150<sup>th</sup> anniversary this year, represents more than 80,000 architects in the United States. From a small group of professionals sharing a meal at Delmonico’s in New York City in 1857 and the chartering of the first AIA chapter in 1867, the American Institute of Architects has grown from 37 members in the original New York chapter to more than 80,000 members in 300 chapters nationwide.

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