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Michigan Architectural Foundation Awards More Than \$20,000 in Scholarships to Michigan Architecture Students

Michigan's college and university architecture schools have many talented, dedicated, and exceptional students enrolled in undergraduate and graduate programs. The Michigan Architectural Foundation (MAF) is pleased to announce it recently awarded \$20,600 in scholarships to nine of those architecture students, each of whom demonstrate talent and passion for the profession, as well as a commitment to leadership and community.

MAF's 2018 scholarship recipients (and their scholarships) are:

- **Jasmine Almomar**
University of Michigan
Richard M. and Sidney K. Robinson Scholarship
- **Juan Arias-Hernandez**
University of Detroit Mercy
AIA Michigan President's Scholarship
- **Anthony Botezatu**
University of Detroit Mercy
American Institute of Architect's Scholarship
- **Salvatore Lorenzano**
University of Detroit Mercy
John Banicki Scholarship
- **Eric Minton**
University of Michigan
*Daniel W. Toshach &
AIA Saginaw Valley Scholarship*
- **Alyssa Monroe**
University of Detroit Mercy
Professional Concepts Insurance Agency Scholarship
- **Matthew Northcott**
University of Detroit Mercy
Kenneth Neumann Design Scholarship
- **Ayomide Okunlola**
University of Detroit Mercy
Leslie D. Tincknell Scholarship
- **Jade Pyman**
Kendall College of Art and Design
*Harley Ellis Devereaux (HED) Alvin Ernest Harley
AIAS Graduate Scholarship*



2018 MAF Scholarship Winners:
above, top row (l to r) Eric Minton,
Matthew Northcott, Anthony
Botezatu, and Salvatore Lorenzano.
Bottom row (l to r): Juan Arias-
Hernandez, Jasmine Almomar,
Ayomide Okunlola, and Alyssa
Monroe; right, Jade Pyman.



“As a jury, we were pleased with the overall quality of the submitting students and their work,” said MAF scholarship juror Tim Casai, FAIA. “We were once again heartened with the number of applications we received this year, and as always, will work to award as many scholarships to as many architecture students as possible.”

Students are required to submit an application, along with a full college transcript; a personal statement describing leadership, design, and community accomplishments and activities; a copy of the design portfolio submitted to their graduate admissions program; two letters of reference; and a budget. Each MAF scholarship defines specific criteria on which the student applicant is judged, including design excellence, community involvement, academic achievement, and/or financial need.

“This year’s group of scholarship winners is more diverse than ever, which is huge for the future of the profession,” said Casai. “Combined with their talent, dedication, and aspirations, they are certain to move the profession forward.” Casai is one of three MAF board members who comprise the MAF Scholarship Committee, along with Les Tincknell, FAIA, and Gene Hopkins, FAIA. MAF scholarship jurors include former MAF President Bob Washer, Hon. Affl. AIA; Joel Smith, AIA and Ross Kaplan, both of Neumann Smith Associates; and Michael Cooper, PE, of Harley Ellis Deveraux.

MAF’s scholarship program began in 2001, with one scholarship, and has grown through the generous gifts of donors, and other sources, including fundraising events such as MAF’s Auction for Education, and Golf Outing, both of which are held annually.

Do you know an architecture student in our state? Help support their academic goals - and help design Michigan’s architectural future.



Bottom photo: MAF scholarship committee member and board member Tim Casai FAIA, introduces MAF 2018 scholarship recipients at the recent MAF donor appreciation event, 'What is it About Architecture?'; right, both photos: MAF 2018 scholarship recipients chat with MAF donors and board



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