

Renewable Energy and Sustainable Design in Buildings Award 2007 CRES Awards

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS and APPLICATION FORM

The Colorado Renewable Energy Society is pleased to announce its
Call for Entries for the
2007 Renewable Energy and Sustainable Design in Buildings Awards.

AWARDS

- The awards will be presented at the CRES 2007 Annual Conference in Steamboat Springs by Colorado Renewable Energy Society (CRES) President, Doug Seiter. Each winner will receive an award plaque and a certificate for up to five individuals or companies associated with the project.
- Media releases about the award winners will be distributed to major state media, building trade media and local media covering the location of the winning buildings.
- An article featuring the award winners will be published in the CRES newsletter, distributed to 600 CRES members.
- The award winners will be announced in *Solar Today* magazine.
- Photos of and information about the award winners will be featured on the CRES web site and the ColoradoEnergy.org web site.
- Award winners will be asked to present their projects at the Colorado Renewable Energy Conference (CREC 2007).

REQUIREMENTS

Renewable Energy Features: The project must incorporate two or more renewable energy or sustainable design strategies or technologies. These may include passive solar, photovoltaics, solar thermal water or space heating, wind power, geothermal heating and cooling, daylighting, natural ventilation or others.

Award Categories: Awards will be presented for non-residential and residential buildings. Non-residential subcategories are commercial and institutional, new construction or retrofit. Residential subcategories are general, off-grid, affordable housing, and multi-family housing, new construction or retrofit

A new category has been added this year titled "Freestyle." This category will be for the daring. No rules. Just tell us why the structure is a Renewables Winner.

Date of Completion: The building must be no more than three years old and substantially complete by the date of application. All renewable energy features must be installed or purchased at the date of application.

Location: The building must be located in the State of Colorado.

The deadline for submitting entries is May 1, 2007

Please submit an electronic version of your entry (in MS Word and/or PDF) to Werner Duecker at: wduecker@chamberlinarchitects.com and send a copy by mail to:

Colorado Renewable Energy Society
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Judging Criteria

Use of Renewable Energy	Maximum Points	Notes
Passive (windows, overhangs, thermal storage, daylighting, etc.)	10	Calculations showing passive heat contribution not required, but may strengthen submittal
Solar thermal (hot water, space heating/cooling, etc)	10	Minimum 10% energy contribution from solar for credit
RE electricity (PV, wind, other)	10	Minimum 10% energy contribution for credit
Other aspects of Renewable Energy (integration, materials, innovation)	10	Includes recycled-content materials
Balance, category-specific	10	This is for discussion of trade-offs (i.e. thermal and visual comfort); must be justified by applicant
Renewable Energy Points Subtotal	50	
Environment, Efficiency, Aesthetics, Other		
Architecture, visual appeal, resale	10	Market acceptance
Energy efficient design (envelope)	10	Thermal barrier; infiltration control; window placement and performance
Energy efficient systems (heating/cooling/lighting/appliances, commissioning)	10	Building science; house as a system; energy audits and system performance checks
Water use reduction	5	
Site impact, embodied energy, indoor air quality, waste	5	Minimize site disturbance; interior finish materials; mechanical ventilation; generation and handling of solid waste
Public education, replicability	10	Likelihood of design/systems being adopted on production scale; opportunity for increased public awareness/acceptance
Other Subtotal	50	
Total Project Points	100	

RENEWABLE ENERGY AND SUSTAINABLE DESIGN IN BUILDINGS AWARD

2007 CRES AWARD APPLICATION

AWARD CATEGORY (Check all that apply):

- Commercial building
- Institutional building
- General housing (production, custom)
- Multi-family
- Off-grid
- Affordable (meets local community definition of "affordable housing"; include reference)
- Renovation/remodel/addition
- New construction

Name of Applicant(s) _____

Role in Project: _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Telephone _____

Fax _____

E-mail _____

Others involved with Project (up to 5 total names, including applicant):

Project Name: _____

Project address: _____

Please submit the required information and answer the following questions with the entry form.

Required Information:

- Construction drawings (section, floor plan, elevation) to document passive solar features, daylighting and other features
- Minimum of two photographs showing renewable energy features (electronic version will be required for winning projects)
- Building square footage
- Construction cost per square foot
- Date of completion
- Number of bedrooms (residential)
- Initial sales price and date of sale (residential)
- Non-renewable heating source (gas, electric, propane, etc)
- Calculations to verify renewables contribution
- Responses to project questions (listed below, as applicable; judges would appreciate brevity and an organization of answers that enables quick and efficient scoring in each category)

Answer the following questions as applicable:

1. **Use of Renewable Energy:** What renewable energy technologies or strategies does the building incorporate?
2. **Environmental Impact:** What impact do the renewable energy and energy efficiency features of the building have on the environment? How much non-renewable energy is replaced; how much CO₂ is displaced? Describe any improvement in indoor air quality.
3. **Aesthetics:** How have the renewable energy features been integrated into the building and the natural environment?
4. **Public Awareness:** How does the building help raise public awareness for renewable energy? Has it been, or will it be open to the public? Is it in a publicly accessible location?
5. **Replicability:** How does the building serve as an example for other builder or architects? Can any of the strategies be widely adopted? What can builders or architects learn from the building to apply to their own buildings?

Optional Information

- E-Star certificate
- Built Green checklist
- LEED Scorecard
- Computer report to show performance/code compliance
- Other documentation to aid evaluation of the project
- Energy bills