



## ELIGIBILITY, SELECTION CRITERIA, and VOTING PROCESS

### Eligibility and Authorship:

It is the goal of the Homes Tour Committee and the AIA Austin Board of Directors that the Tour showcase architectural designs by licensed architects and AIA Austin members that demonstrate the value of hiring an architect, and the value of the collaborative process between architects, homeowners, and design professionals. *All entries must be submitted by a firm principal who is a registered Architect, current member of AIA Austin, and who is ultimately responsible for the project design.* If you have any questions, please call Ingrid Spencer, AIA Austin Executive Director at 917.273.7529.

### Disqualifications:

1. Previous Home Tours: Previous Home selections from this Tour are not eligible. Homes are not eligible if they have been on or accepted by any other local public home tour (Cool House, Hyde Park, NARI, Modern Home Tour, Tribeza Interiors Tour, etc.) in the past. For the 2022 Homes Tour, we will accept homes that have been designed in the last 10 years, but have not been on any tours.
2. Multiple Submissions: A maximum of three (3) homes may be submitted from any one firm. Only one home per firm may be chosen to be on the Tour. Multifamily or multiple units on one lot may or may not be submitted as a single project *on a case by case basis*---e.g., homes with ADUs may be considered as single projects while multiple units in a multi-family project may not. Please consult Ingrid Spencer for clarification at 917.273.7529.
3. Project Completion: Projects must be substantially complete by the date of submission and preference will be given to houses that are furnished, occupied, and landscaped. Houses will be photographed for publication beginning in late May.
4. Ownership: Houses that are for sale at the time of submission will not be considered. AIA Austin staff must be notified as soon as possible if the house is chosen and is for sale between selection and the Tour.

### Selection Criteria & Voting Process:

Houses are chosen by the Homes Tour Committee with input from an advisory panel of Austin architects invited by Committee chairs. The Committee is composed of AIA members and volunteers, who will conduct site visits the weekend of May 14 and 15. Voting occurs Monday May 16 and is based on the range voting method in which voters give each candidate a score, and the scores are averaged. Any Committee member with direct involvement in a project may not score that project nor partake in the discussion around it. The following selection criteria are provided as a rubric by which the entries are judged:

- Design excellence
- Quality of craftsmanship
- Innovative use of materials
- No disqualifications (see above)
- Sustainable design
- Relationship/collaboration between Architect and Homeowner
- History of rules compliance