

SMBW Shine the Light Scholarship Award

Applications Open: October 4, 2023

Applications Close: December 15, 2023

ABOUT

SMBW is committed to the education of emerging design talent. Over the past 30 years, the firm has focused on connecting with the academic community to mentor, collaborate, and support student work through internships and externships, open studios, critiques, mentoring, teaching, and scholarship opportunities.

Shine the Light was born from the desire to put a spotlight on the issues facing the design field today, while encouraging young emerging talent to pursue a professional career path in design. We hope to inspire and support the next generation of creative leaders through the award of this scholarship.

ELIGIBILITY

Students in a U.S. higher education institution, who will be enrolled in an accredited Architecture or Interior Design program in the Spring or Fall of 2024 are eligible to apply*.

AWARDS

One scholarship of \$2,000 will be awarded to an Interior Design or Architecture student.

HOW TO APPLY

Applicants* for the scholarship must follow the submission requirements no later than 11:59 PM EST on December 15, 2023. Email your submission to ebutterworth@smbw.com. Scholarship awards will be announced in January 2024.

SUBMISSION REQUIREMENTS

One pdf package that includes the following:

1. Application, please download here.
2. Essay Response to the following question, 500 words max.

How can design and architectural principles be leveraged to create housing solutions that address the pressing issues of equity, affordability, and accessibility in our communities? Discuss specific examples and strategies that designers and architects can employ to contribute to more inclusive and sustainable housing practices.

*Current employees, recent former employees, and interns of SMBW, as well as their immediate family members, and those who SMBW deems to present conflicts of interest, are ineligible for scholarship award.