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Local architectural students awarded \$14,000 in scholarships

Kansas City, Missouri - The Kansas City Architectural Foundation (KCAF) is pleased to announce that six outstanding students have been selected as recipients of the 2009 - 2010 scholarship. A total of \$12,000 in scholarships were awarded for the 2009 - 2010 school year, in addition to a \$2,000 National American Institute of Architects Award for a 5th year architectural student. The KCAF Scholarships are awarded each year to deserving students from the greater Kansas City metropolitan area, who will be or currently attend an accredited architectural school. Selection criteria include demonstrated financial need, academic performance, letters of recommendation, and answers to short essay. The recipients were honored at a special reception on the 11th of August.

We are pleased to award scholarships to the following students:

Kansas City Architectural Foundation Scholarship

Lauren Sanderson – 6th Year, Kansas State University
Ryman Kinney - 1st Year, University of Kansas
Kelsey Vusich – 2nd Year, Kansas State University
Alex Callow- 2nd Year, Kansas State University
Bryan Stockton- 2nd Year, University of Kansas
Gerard Alba- 2nd Year, University of Kansas

The Kratz Scholarship is awarded to:

Ryman Kinney – 1st Year, University of Kansas

The Linda Erwin Young Scholarship is awarded to:

Alex Callow- 2nd Year, Kansas State University

The Peggy and Frank Zilm Scholarship is awarded to:

Bryan Stockton- 2nd Year, University of Kansas

The Kent Spreckelmeyer Scholarship is awarded to:

Gerard Alba- 2nd Year, University of Kansas

The Bruce McKenzie Scholarship is awarded to:

Kelsey Vusich – 2nd Year, Kansas State University

The **AIA Kansas City Scholarship** in conjunction with AIA National is awarded to:

Lauren Sanderson – 6th Year, Kansas State University

The **Kratz Scholarship** was established to honor the legacy of Edwin and Edith Kratz, lifelong residents of Missouri. Edwin was a licensed architect who worked as the Chief Architect and Chief Underwriter for the Federal Housing Administration in Kansas City. Both Edwin and Edith had a passion about the importance of education and a personal commitment to continue to learn and expand their own knowledge as well as encouraging other to do so.

The **Linda Erwin Young Scholarship** was established to honor the legacy of Linda Young, Executive Director of the American Institute of Architects Kansas City Chapter from 1978 to 1989. Through Young's exceptional dedication and leadership she actively supported the community awareness of architecture and the built environment.

Peggy and Frank Zilm established two scholarships to honor young and deserving architectural students the first named 'The Peggy and Frank Zilm Scholarship' and the second to honor Kent Spreckelmeyer a professor at the University of Kansas for his strong commitment to mentoring students named as 'The Kent Spreckelmeyer Scholarship'. The Professor Kent Spreckelmeyer Scholarship was established to award to a deserving student attending the University of Kansas.

The **Bruce McKenzie Scholarship** was established in 2000 by Gary Nevius, AIA as a colleague and friend to honor Bruce's life as a talented architect and designer. The scholarship was established to provide a deserving student from Bruce's alma mater, Kansas State University, a better opportunity in his honor.

The Kansas City Architectural Foundation is a charitable corporation (501(c) (3)) established in 1984 through the leadership of the American Institute of Architects (AIA) Kansas City Chapter.

The Kansas City Architectural Foundation educates individuals and communities about the power of architecture to transform lives and improve the places where we live, learn, work, and play. Through our outreach programs, grants, scholarships and educational resources, KCAF inspires people to become thoughtful and engaged stewards of the built environment. To learn more about the Foundation please our website at www.kcarchitecturalfoundation.org and click on DonorsEdge.

For more information please contact The Kansas City Architectural Foundation c/o Dawn Kirkwood, Executive Director of the American Institute of Architects 816-221-3485 for information concerning these scholarships and applications.

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