

The Architectural League of New York to name its League Prize the Anne Rieselbach Architectural League Prize for Young Architects + Designers

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Honoring her commitment to sustaining platforms for young and rising talent, the League Prize, which Rieselbach stewarded with great vision, will now bear her name.

New York, NY (June 17, 2026) — **The Architectural League of New York** announced yesterday that its renowned League Prize for Young Architects + Designers will become the “**Anne Rieselbach Architectural League Prize for Young Architects + Designers.**” This change recognizes Anne Rieselbach’s extraordinary contributions to the organization and her longstanding leadership in supporting young architects and firms.

To ensure the ongoing vitality of this award, the League is publicly launching an accompanying development campaign. Over the past six months, a committee comprised of practitioners, collaborators, and League Prize alumni—including Mary Margaret Jones (Chair), Julie Eizenberg, Elise Jaffe, Carlos Jiménez, Paul Lewis, Grant Marani, Enrique Norten, Nat Oppenheimer, Liz Ranieri, Bryony Roberts, Susie Rodriguez, Calvin Tsao, and Billie Tsien—has led significant, private fundraising efforts. Thanks to widespread support, the League has already raised \$415,000 toward its \$625,000 goal, a milestone that could endow the Rieselbach League Prize in perpetuity.

“Over four decades of dedication and leadership, Anne has had a profound impact on countless architects and designers—encouraging, informing, and enlivening practices at their most formative stages. By naming this prize in her honor and seeking to ensure its issuance in perpetuity, the League recognizes and celebrates Anne’s impact, and our commitment to carrying that legacy and care for architecture’s newest and most critical voices forward into the future,” says **Jacob R. Moore**, executive director of The Architectural League.

Since joining the League in 1986, Rieselbach has developed and shepherded many of its most important programs, particularly those falling under the umbrella of the “[Next Generation Fund](#),” including the League’s growing [Mentorship Program](#), the annual [Student Program](#), and some of its most well-known initiatives: the [Emerging Voices](#) and [League Prize](#) competitions.

“One of the most fulfilling aspects of my role at the League has been the opportunity to foster the efforts of architects and firms as they develop their talents as designers and agents for change. The League Prize is central to that mission, so I am profoundly honored and deeply grateful for this recognition. I congratulate all of the earlier awardees who have continued to make important contributions to the field of architecture, academia, and within their communities. This newly created fund is incredibly meaningful and expands the League’s potential to ensure that we will be able to provide ways for future generations to have formative opportunities to test and share their work,” says **Anne Rieselbach**, program director of the League.

The League Prize is one of North America’s longest-running and most prestigious honors for early-career architects and designers. Established in 1981 as the Young Architects Forum, the Prize and accompanying lecture series and exhibition have helped launch and elevate some of the field’s most influential practices, providing a singular platform for young architects to present their work to peers and the public. Past winners include many of today’s leading architects and designers whose work

has gone on to shape the discipline internationally, including Steven Holl, Billie Tsien, Kennedy & Violich Architecture, WXY, ARO, studioSUMO, nARCHITECTS, IwamotoScott, Lateral Architecture, PRODUCTORA, Frida Escobedo, Future Cities Lab, Landing Studio, The Open Workshop, LANZA Atelier, Kwong Von Glinow, New Affiliates, Agency—Agency, and Germane Barnes.

The Architectural League of New York formally conferred the naming of the Anne Rieselbach Architectural League Prize for Young Architects + Designers on June 16, 2026, at [“Drawing Together,” the League’s 145th Annual Meeting & Party](#), at the Brooklyn Public Library.

More about the Anne Rieselbach Architectural League Prize

Established in 1981 to recognize visionary work by young practitioners, the Anne Rieselbach Architectural League Prize for Young Architects + Designers is a biennial competition, lecture series, and exhibition organized by The Architectural League and its Young Architects and Designers Committee.

About The Architectural League of New York

Founded in 1881, The Architectural League of New York supports critically transformative work in the allied fields that shape the built environment. As a vital, independent forum, the League stimulates thinking, debate, and action on today’s converging crises of racism, inequity, and climate change, in service of a more livable and just world.