

# YOUNG ARCHITECTS FORUM

The Young Architects Forum (YAF) is an AIA member group focused on supporting architects within 10 years of licensure, regardless of age. As a catalyst for progress within the Institute, YAF champions emerging professionals and their growth.



[YAF Connection Magazine](#)



[YAF Community Hub](#)

## YOUNG ARCHITECT REPRESENTATIVE

A Young Architect Representative (YAR) is a state representative to the YAF. To qualify, the YAR must be an AIA member licensed for 10 years or less and elected or appointed by the state chapter. The YAR serves as the liaison between their state chapter and the YAF.

### EACH YAR JOINS ONE FOCUS GROUP:

There are five (5) primary areas of focus.

- ADVOCACY
- COMMUNICATIONS
- COMMUNITY
- KNOWLEDGE
- STRATEGIC VISION

### AS A YAR YOU WILL JOIN OTHER YARS AND YAF MEMBERS IN:

- Quarterly Webinars on issues related to Young Architects
- Open mic nights
- Monthly Now YA know newsletter
- Publish Connections magazine quarterly
- Taking Care of Business sessions at AIA national conference and NOMA
- Toolkits for mentorship and much more...



## APPLY TO BE A YAR

Nominations for 2026-27 state reps are due September 15th. Reach out to your state chapter to express interest today!

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