



AIA South Dakota

Design in the Hills 2019 – CALL FOR PRESENTATIONS

Greetings from Jenn Johnson, the 2019 AIA SD Design in the Hills Committee chair. The committee extends a big "Thank you" to Kris Bjerke, who has served as committee chair and has led the planning of the conference since it started in 2011!

For those who haven't attended in previous years, *Design in the Hills* is a unique gathering of architects, landscape architects, interior designers, engineers and artists from across the state, along with members of the community to celebrate and elevate the standard of design work in the Black Hills. Each year, we focus on projects and places of interest in the Black Hills communities, rotating the event between the various cities in the region. This conference is unique in the design world; while there are sponsors and continuing education credits, very little of it is provided in a traditional classroom setting.

The 2019 *Design in the Hills* returns to Rapid City on July 18-19, 2019. Inspired by new regional developments in science and technology, the 9th Annual event will focus on technology and innovation in design. We are excited to offer the opportunity to Architects, Landscape Architects, Interior Designers, Engineers and/or Artists to showcase projects that are innovating through design.

To this end, AIA South Dakota has opened its Call for Presentations for building tours, walking tours, presentations and workshops to be presented at Design in the Hills 2019.

If your group has a new innovative project or product, or if you have an experience or collaboration to share with the design community, we invite you to present a session at the Design in the Hills 2019. We are seeking up to six projects in the Rapid City vicinity to tour, up to four projects in the region to be presented in a classroom setting, and one project to be the subject of our multi-disciplinary design charrette. To be considered, please review this information and submit your proposal by March 1, 2019.

Presenters will be allotted 60 minutes per session, inclusive of Q&A.

Throughout the evaluation process, we will use the following criteria:

- Timeliness, innovation, and creativity of topic or project
- Practical applications
- Specificity and quality of content

- Interaction/audience participation opportunity
- Level of commercial bias

To Submit:

- Prepare a brief abstract describing your proposed presentation (one-page maximum).
- Provide a biography of your background and experience.
- Feel free to submit any additional renderings, photographs or support materials you desire.
- If your idea doesn't precisely fit our presentation format, propose it anyway! We want to hear about and see the most interesting projects going on in our region.

Important Dates

- **February 22:** Questions about the Call for Presentations to be submitted to AIA SD Executive Director angela@aiasouthdakota.org in writing
- **March 1:** Completed proposals must be received by **5:00 p.m. Mountain Time, Friday, March 1, 2019**
- **March 8-20:** Phase I review and rating by Design in the Hills Annual Conference Planning Team
- **March 20-30:** Phase II review of rated proposals by Design in the Hills Annual Conference Planning Team and final selection of presentations
- **April 1-5:** AIA SD will confirm speakers by email. AIA SD will also notify those whose proposals were not selected.

General Submission Rules

- Send completed proposals to angela@aiasouthdakota.org. Proposals submitted to any other AIA South Dakota email address will not be accepted.
- Proposals must be received by **5:00 p.m. Mountain Time on Friday, March 1, 2019**. Submissions must be received by email. Hard copy submissions by fax or mail will not be accepted.
- Proposals must be submitted in Microsoft Word or as PDF. Please use **Calibri font, size 11**. Avoid special formatting styles.
 - Limit of two proposal submissions per individual or organization.
 - Proposals that are not complete or fail to follow the guidelines may not be accepted.
 - **Please include contact information** (phone, email and physical address) with each submission.