

# 2022

## CRAFTSMANSHIP & LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS

*Skill, Integrity  
& Responsibility*



NOMINATION PACKET



# SKILL, INTEGRITY & RESPONSIBILITY

*Announcing the Builders Exchange 2022 Craftsmanship and Lifetime Achievement Awards*

By Kim Gaylord, Interim Executive Director, Builders Exchange of Rochester

Builders Exchange is proud to announce that the 2022 Craftsmanship Awards & Lifetime Achievement Awards Nomination process is underway. Our region boasts excellent craftsmen and women, regionally and nationally award-winning companies and projects, and an industry dedicated to building a better community. Since our beginning in 1888, the principles of skill, integrity and responsibility have been driving our industry forward and those are still the guiding principles for our members today.

The Craftsmanship and Lifetime Achievement Awards are a chance to celebrate and honor the craftsmen and women who have excelled in these principles in both a particular project and throughout their careers. While projects and companies tend to get the bulk of the public recognition, these awards are an opportunity to turn the spotlight over to the men and women on the job that make these achievements possible.

While the pandemic has changed a lot about the way we do business, one thing it hasn't changed are the hearts of our members. We have seen the hard work and dedication that our members put into every project, and now is the time to have their skill recognized.

The Craftsmanship Award is given to those who against any number of challenges have been able to produce a project of the highest level of craftsmanship. They stand out for both their skill and leadership amongst their team, having mastered the art of their craft.

The Lifetime Achievement Award honors those who have dedicated their life's work to excelling the construction industry forward. They embody Builders Exchange's guiding principles and their passion for their work is evident in all that they do. Our region has a rich history of an entrepreneurial spirit, and our Lifetime Achievement winners have built up their companies into well-respected positions within the business community.

The winners themselves are upstanding members of our community, serving on various local and national associations and charities.

These awards are a chance to showcase your team – celebrating those in the height of their career having mastered their trade as well as honoring those who have or are nearing the close of their career. We look forward to reviewing all our members' submissions, from companies big and small, to search for our region's best craftsmen and women!

**We will be celebrating the award winners in a ceremony the evening of Saturday, May 14th, 2022 at the Monroe Golf Club.** Information on the awards banquet will be released after we have received all the nominations. Thank you for your nominations and for supporting the highest standards in our industry.



# HELP US IDENTIFY THE BEST CRAFTWORKER IN THE AREA

As members of the construction industry, craftsmanship is a word used on a day-to-day basis. The Builders Exchange believes that it is important for all of our members to realize what it means and how it sets them apart in what they do.

The word craftsman, according to Webster's dictionary, has two meanings: (1) a workman who practices a trade or handicraft; and (2) **one who creates or performs with skill or dexterity, especially in the manual arts.** It is the second of these definitions that is especially important, for while every one of our workers in the field might be considered craftsmen or women under the first definition, it is only those exceptional few who fall under the second.

## WHO WILL YOU NOMINATE TODAY?





# 2022 CRAFTSMANSHIP AWARD ELIGIBILITY

**Note: Photos are required and should be submitted with the nomination and include captions. They are very important for any work that will be concealed at the time the Awards Committee makes its inspection.**

## 1. Purpose of the Program

To recognize exceptional craftsmanship and the display of interest and ingenuity by building trades mechanics and workers in order to encourage the highest form of workmanship, quality, skill and integrity.

## 2. Extent of the Program

- Exceptional craftsmanship by the worker in the execution of work selected will be recognized to the individual with a framed certificate. The employer of the Award winner will also receive a certificate, as do the architect of engineer, project owner and any general contractor.
- The employer whose work has been selected for an Award designates the individual who executed the work, or in the case of more than one person, the individual mainly responsible for the excellence of the work.

## 3. Who May Make Nominations and When

- Contractors, architects, engineers and owners are all eligible to make nominations.
- Nomination forms for identifying and describing the work will be mailed to architects, engineers, contractors and others with this announcement
- Nominations must be received by the Awards Committee by the dates specified on the nomination forms.

## 4. Those Eligible for Nominations

Work performed by any employee(s) of a prime or subcontractor may be nominated for an Award. Please note that nominations may be submitted only for work on projects which have been completed or substantially completed during the designated period. For these Craftsmanship Awards, the work must have been performed since January 2018 and substantially completed by the closing date of nominations.

## 5. Work Eligible

Nominations are not restricted to work where craftsmanship is exhibited on the job. Nominations will be accepted for work where craftsmanship has been exhibited off the job, including custom work in the shop.

## 6. Basis for Award

While neatness and accuracy are essential characteristics of good workmanship, work which is merely neat and accurate should not be nominated. For work involving finishing materials, special consideration should be given to the display of interest, ingenuity, imagination, and skill on the part of the craftworker (not the designer) which:

- Enhances the artistic merit of the basic design.
- Works out and solves in a commendable manner problems and details which are left to the discretion of the mechanic.
- Results in the execution in a commendable manner of work of exceptional difficulty.
- For structural work and mechanical work, layout and coordination work shown diagrammatical or by specification would be eligible where the execution indicates interest in the work and pride in workmanship.

## 7. Geographic Limits

Nominations will be accepted for work throughout Western New York. Exceptions may be made to consider projects outside this area, depending on location, Awards Committee member availability and the cost of any review.

## 8. Awards Committee

The Awards Committee consists of our Committee Chair Brian Kelly, Kevin Cannan, Shane Celorio, Edward Kurowski, Courtney Lafferty, Daniel Mossien, and Timothy Pullis who were selected because of their knowledge of the work involved, complexity, logistics, expertise and dedication to the built environment.

## 9. Methods of Making the Awards

- Nominations are turned over to the Awards Committee, who visit the site, inspect the work and make the determination of the Award-winning work.
- There are no restrictions, either in number of Awards or in the trades represented by the Awards.
- All determinations are solely in the hands of the Craftsmanship Awards Committee.





# CRAFTSMANSHIP NOMINATIONS

Nominations are due by March 25, 2022. All nominations must be accompanied by multiple photos, videos, blueprints, etc. of the work in an electronic format sent through the free site: WeTransfer.com. A \$100 application fee will apply for all nominations to cover the cost of the presentation board to be on display during the event and gifted to the nominee.

Email to: [kim@robex.com](mailto:kim@robex.com) or [click here to submit your nomination online](#)

## CRAFTSMANSHIP AWARD

**Name of Project:**

**Contact Person:**

Phone:

Email:

**Project Address:**

**Architect/Engineer Contact:**

Phone:

Email:

**General Contractor:**

Phone:

Email:

**Owner:**

Phone:

Email:

**Type of Work Nominated:**

**Where work occurs, if not throughout project:**

**Craftworker's Name:**

**Employer's Name:**

## AWARD NARRATIVE

Please use this space to state reasons why the work is considered exceptional. Often there are unusual conditions which make it difficult to obtain exceptional workmanship of which the committee would not be aware when expecting the finished work. (You may attach additional sheet)

**Nominated by:**

Name:

Phone:

Email:

Business:



# HELP US HONOR OUR INDUSTRY'S CHAMPIONS

As any construction worker will tell you, their career has been advanced by hard work and by the influence of key mentors in their industry. Mentorship is a large part of individual growth in such a specialized field where so much of the training is on-the-job.

We are seeking to honor those mentors that not only have made their mark by providing skill and expertise to their projects, but those that are leaders. True leaders excel in their field and push the boundaries of what their craft can do, all while mentoring the next generation of workers and being an example of commitment and dedication on the job and in their community.

**WHO WILL YOU NOMINATE TODAY?**



# 2022 LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT AWARD ELIGIBILITY

Continuing an important tradition, the Builders Exchange, Inc. is soliciting nominations for its Lifetime Achievement Awards. The award is dedicated to those who make an outstanding contribution to community and volunteer service, and to the improvement of the Construction Industry at the local level and beyond.

1. The nominees should embody the Builders Exchange cornerstone of “skill, integrity and responsibility” and serve as role models for the construction industry and our community.
2. The nominees should possess excellent management and innovation skills, extensive experience, and demonstrate morality in the way they treat others, be it their clients, employees or others in the community.
3. The nominees must have been active in community organizations and trade associations, including the Builders Exchange.
4. The nominees must be currently or last employed by a Builders Exchange member firm (in good standing for at least 5 years).
5. The nominees must have solid work experience where they made a significant, valuable contribution to the construction industry. The person must be last in or currently in a senior level position, and have at least 25 years experience in construction or a related industry, or in positions that prepared the person for such work. At least 75% of that work experience should be in the Rochester area.
6. The nominees must have made a substantial, valuable contribution to the community that enhanced the quality of life in this area.
7. The nominees must be living at the time of their nomination or have died since 2018.
8. Nominations must be received by March 25, 2022.





# LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT NOMINATIONS

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Email to: [kim@robex.com](mailto:kim@robex.com) or [click here to submit your nomination online](#)

## LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT AWARD

## AWARD NARRATIVE

**Nominee:**

**Home Address:**

**Business:**

**Title (last):**

**Business Address:**

**Home Phone:**

**Business Phone:**

**Nominated by:**

**Name:**

**Phone:**

**Email:**

**Business:**

Please use this space to list qualifications including industry and non-industry board positions, committee experience, and volunteer community involvement. (You may attach additional sheet)