

Carapace Pavilion wins student design award

The Carapace Pavilion project has been awarded a 2023 Society of American Registered Architects (SARA) Student National Design Award of Excellence. This brings the number of awards that the Carapace Pavilion has won to six.

A PCI Foundation grant helped fund the project, which Doug Noble and his architecture students at the University of Southern California (USC) in Los Angeles designed. Clark Pacific cast the piece in its Fontana, Calif., facility. The structure is 42 ft (13 m) long overall and 13 ft (4 m) tall and is made with ultra-high-performance concrete.

The SARA awards have three types of awards: excellence, honor, and merit. Excellence is the highest award category. The award was announced and presented October 28, 2023, in Philadelphia, Pa., at the national conference of the Society of American Registered Architects.

The Carapace Pavilion, designed by University of Southern California students, has received a 2023 SARA Student National Design Award of Excellence. The shelter was installed in Joshua Tree National Park in California. Courtesy of Douglas Noble.



Seguirant receives Mast award

Stephen J. Seguirant, vice president and director of engineering for Concrete Technology Corp. in Tacoma, Wash., received the American Concrete Institute's Robert F. Mast Award.

Seguirant received the award "for his resolution to advance precast concrete construction through stewardship of code development; for his innovation and transfer of knowledge to others through professional papers and committees; and for his honor and respect of the eponymous award."



Stephen J. Seguirant

Seguirant is a PCI Fellow and vice chair of the PCI Transportation Activities Council in addition to being a member of numerous other PCI Committees. He is also a member of Joint ACI-PCI Committee 319, Precast Structural Concrete Code, which is in the process of developing a building code for precast and prestressed concrete. He has authored or co-authored many technical, award-winning papers. He is also a member of ACI Committee 318, Structural Concrete Building Code and was chair of ACI Subcommittee 318-G, Precast and Prestressed Concrete, for the 2014 and 2019 code cycles. He is also a Fellow of ACI.

Seguirant received his BS in civil engineering in 1978 from Saint Martin's College in Lacey, Wash., and his MS in civil engineering in 1980 from the University of Washington in Seattle, Wash. He is a licensed professional engineer in Washington.

County Materials Corp., County Prestress and Precast hire Schmidgall as CEO

Brad Schmidgall is joining County Materials Corp. and County Prestress and Precast LLC, effective January 8, 2024, as the company's new chief executive officer. Schmidgall will be responsible for overseeing the complete operation of the County Materials organization.

Most recently, Schmidgall has been the chief executive officer of Afinitas, a global infrastructure equipment and services company with 500 employees in facilities in the United States and Europe, including its headquarters in St. Louis, Mo.

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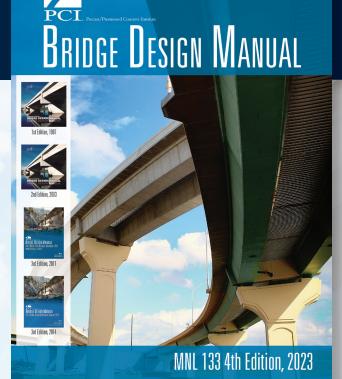
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