



2026 | BUILDING OF THE YEAR AWARD

— CELEBRATE EXCELLENCE IN POST-FRAME CONSTRUCTION —



ENTRIES DUE
DECEMBER 1, 2026



WINNERS ANNOUNCED
AT THE ANNUAL CONFERENCE



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JANUARY 26-27, 2027
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Official Entry Rules

Wisconsin Frame Builders Association

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Any building erected by a current WFBA Member builder that utilizes post-frame construction in a minimum of 50% of the building structure will be eligible for the award. This will be determined by the linear footage of the exterior walls that contain this method of construction. A post frame building is defined by its wide column spacing. Columns are typically buried in the ground but can also be mounted on concrete. On the side walls and ends, all columns are either solid (4x4 minimum) or three ply laminated with horizontal girts spanning between them to support the exterior siding or sheathing. Trusses are connected directly to each column or are mounted on headers spanning between columns.

1. A separate entry form must be completed in its entirety for each entry. There is **NO** registration fee for any type of entry.
2. Incomplete entries will not be considered.
3. *To be eligible, buildings must have been completed during the last year (2026).*
4. Each entry must be accompanied by digital documentary photos. These photos must include at least two views of the finished project as well as construction progress. These photos will be used by the judges and selected photos will be used in the awards presentation if the entry is selected as a winner. **Please submit high resolution images along with the application to Emily Mandich emandich@assnsoffice.com**
5. Each entry should be accompanied by a description of the project. Details of this description enhance the judging process, and the presentation of the project at the Annual Conference Dinner.
6. WFBA has the right to use the photos to promote the post frame industry. Winning projects will be featured on WFBA's website, www.wisconsinframebuilders.org, and may be featured in post-frame related publications.
7. Each entry should include a floor plan of the building that consists of a line drawing on a single page.
8. **Each entry should include a list of local and regional media outlets to be contacted if projects receive recognition. WFBA Staff will provide a press release on each winning project to their specified media outlets.** WFBA Staff may contact winners for information or quotes about the project. *This media outlet step is important for maximizing exposure of these quality projects and promoting the companies involved with their construction.*
9. Winners will be notified beginning of January 2027 prior to the Annual Conference. Winning projects will be recognized at the 2027 WFBA Annual Conference Dinner, and those involved with the winning projects are strongly encouraged to attend in order to accept their award. The **Annual Conference will be held January 26-27, 2027**, at The Blue Harbor Resort in Sheboygan, WI
10. Any current WFBA Member Company is eligible to win.
11. One award will be given per each category listed on the entry form. Additional awards of merit may be awarded in addition to the categories set forth in the entry form.
12. All decisions of the judges will be final.
13. All Building of the Year entries may be displayed in WFBA Publications and/or at the WFBA Annual Conference.
14. Deadline for entries is December 1, 2026.

WFBA thanks you for your participation. If you have any questions, please call Emily Mandich at 888-294-0084.



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Contact Name _____ Company _____

Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone _____ Fax _____ Email _____

All submissions must meet the qualifications laid out in the rules and be complete to be considered.

Category of Entry:

- Retrofitted/Remodeled Buildings Barndominiums Housing/Residential Suburban Garage
 Hobby Shops/Workshops Recreational Facility Agriculture Storage Livestock Facility Equestrian Barn/Facility
 Commercial Facility less than 5000 sq/ft Commercial Facility 5000 sq/ft or more Institutional or Nonprofit Buildings

Name and Address of Building

Dimensions of Building (please include all floors of multi-story buildings) _____

Total Cost (Exclusive of Land) _____

Please include all of the following with this entry form:

- Floor Plan (single page line drawing) Listing of local media for WFBA to contact for recognition
 Digital photos of finished project (please make high-resolution for framed award usage)
 Digital photos showing different aspects of project and construction progress

Date of Completion _____ Building End-Use _____

Project Owner's Name and Address _____

(Letters from Owner about the project are very much encouraged.)

How did post frame construction help you get this job? _____

Specify Unique Features of the building that illustrate why it is deserving of recognition

(for example: construction techniques, unique project challenges, materials or incorporation of unique design features)

Any comments you would like in a news release on the specifics of this building:

Please include a list of names and contact information of Local or Area Publications that you would like to receive a press release. _____

If you are selected as a winner, how would you like the names to be listed on your award?

Built By: _____

Built For and/or Project Name: _____