

Call for entries: Colored Concrete Works Award 2017

LANXESS awards third international architecture prize

Cologne – Colored concrete is being used increasingly as a premium building material. Numerous buildings are constructed every year around the world that are colored with inorganic pigments. Specialty chemicals company LANXESS will be presenting the third Colored Concrete Works Award in 2017 to architects who create modern architecture with colored concrete and focus in their work on the beauty and aesthetic quality of this special, natural building material.

Developers and architects of completed building projects from all over the world are welcome to submit an entry by March 10, 2017. The most important criteria for participating: Buildings must be no more than five years old, and the concrete used must be colored with inorganic iron oxide or chrome oxide pigments. Detailed information and entry forms are available online at www.colored-concrete-works.com, or can be requested directly by sending an email to ColoredConcrete@lanxess.com.

The international jury comprises architects, representatives of the trade press, and pigment and marketing experts from the LANXESS Inorganic Pigments (IPG) business unit. The jury will select the best projects from all entries. Criteria include the building's colorfulness, function and significance. The three finalists will be notified at the end of March 2017. All decisions are final.

The award ceremony will be held on May 17, 2017, at the LANXESS office in Berlin. The winning project will be presented in an international campaign in the trade and technical press, which includes multilingual publications of a case study on the building.

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More publicity for colored concrete

LANXESS is the world's largest manufacturer of iron oxide pigments and a leading producer of inorganic pigments based on chrome oxides, which are used to color concrete, among other applications. The lightfast and weather-stable pigments in the Bayferrox and Colortherm lines support aesthetic architectural solutions for harmoniously integrating buildings into their natural surroundings or realizing infrastructure projects that are both functional and creative. The color spectrum of the pigments ranges from yellow to red, green, and brown all the way to black. Over 100 different shades of the individual colors are available.

For many years now, the LANXESS Colored Concrete Works initiative has been inspiring architects and developers to promote modern architecture through the use of colored concrete. The Colored Concrete Works Award is an essential element of the initiative and was given for the first time to architect David Chipperfield for his "Ciutat de la Justícia" project in Barcelona, Spain. The most recent winner in early 2015 was Akisha Hirata, in recognition of his design of the "Alp" apartment complex in Akabane-Nishi, Tokyo, Japan.

LANXESS documents the integration of colored concrete in exemplary international building projects and presents these case studies in its "Colored Concrete Works" series of publications. The publications are available in several languages both in print and on the Internet at www.colored-concrete-works.com. At accompanying forums and symposiums, LANXESS provides a platform for architects, site managers and construction companies to exchange ideas and discuss the possibilities of coloring concrete with pigments.

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News Release

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