

## Appraisal Journal Annual Article Awards

Each year *The Appraisal Journal* presents the Armstrong/Kahn Award, the Swango Award, and the Academic Award for the best articles published in the Journal during the previous year. The awards are announced in the Spring issue of *The Appraisal Journal*.

Each of the awards carries a \$1000 honorarium. The awards are funded by the Appraisal Institute Education Trust. Winners are presented with a plaque and honorarium at an awards ceremony during the September meeting of the Appraisal Institute.

The following summarizes the criteria used in selecting the award-winning articles.

### **The Armstrong/Kahn Award**

The Armstrong/Kahn Award is presented annually for the most outstanding original article published in *The Appraisal Journal*. Articles are judged on the basis of pertinent appraisal interest, provocative thought, logical analysis, perceptive reasoning, clarity of presentation, and overall contribution to the literature of valuation.

Subject matter is not restricted, but special consideration will be given to authors whose major activity is real estate or real estate analysis and whose articles are (1) based on actual appraisal assignments, and (2) thought-provoking presentations on concepts and practical problems facing the appraisal and real estate industries.

This means that all articles published in *The Appraisal Journal* are eligible for the award, with special consideration given to practitioners and practical problems. If an article by a nonpractitioner is clearly superior, it would receive the award. In the event that articles by a practitioner and a nonpractitioner are equal in merit, the practitioner's article would be given preference.

The Armstrong/Kahn Award carries a \$1,000 honorarium. The Armstrong/Kahn Award is selected by a committee of the Appraisal Journal Editorial Board and review panels as appointed by the Editor-in-Chief.

### **The Swango Award**

The Swango Award is presented for the best original article published in the previous year on residential, general or technology-related topics or for original research of benefit to real estate analysts and valuers.

To be eligible for the Swango Award, an article must be written by appraisal practitioners, i.e., individuals who perform real estate appraisals as their primary profession, and must be practical in nature and address issues useful to appraisers in their day-to-day practices.

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### **Appraisal Journal Academic Award**

The Appraisal Journal Academic Award is presented annually for the best original article published in *The Appraisal Journal* written by an academic author. Articles are judged on the basis of pertinent appraisal interest, provocative thought, logical analysis, perceptive reasoning, clarity of presentation, and overall contribution to the literature of valuation.

To be eligible for this award, the article must have been reviewed by members of the Appraisal Journal Academic Review Panel and the principal author must be primarily engaged in teaching at a college or university.

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