

This Year's BX Craftsmanship Nominees Are...

The BX is proud to recognize the nominees for this year's Craftsmanship Awards. A total of four individual craftsmen and 25 crews received a nomination for the 2026 awards. This annual program honors those who exhibit skill, expertise and artistry through their work, which exceeds industry standards.

The judging process is currently underway by a panel of industry professionals. Winners will be announced next month and will receive their awards at the BX Annual Meeting in November. The 2026 nominees are...

Individual Award

- **Shannon Baker** (Elford, Inc.) for the installation of framing, drywall and ceilings at OhioHealth Women's Hospital
- **Bryan Temple** (Environmental Management, Inc.) for the installation of landscape and hardscape on the terrace of The Ohio State University Wexner Medical Center
- **Travis Evans** (Geiger Brothers, Inc.) for the installation of emergency switchboard and ATS equipment at Huntington Business Center
- **John Adams** (Superior) for the replacement and upgrade of the main switchgear and generator at the State of Ohio DAS

Crew Award

- **Brock Baker, Mike Baumberger, Kyler Medley and Ethan Walter** (Acoustic Ceiling & Partition of Ohio) for the installation of rotunda and specialty wood ceiling at Thomas Worthington High School
- **Mark Frump, Dylan Gaskill and Trevor McCoy** (Acoustic Ceiling & Partition of Ohio) for the installation of specialty framing, baffles, glass fiber reinforced gypsum & reflectors at Lancaster High School
- **Mike Anderson and Zach Petrie** (Adena Corp.) for the elevated Walkway & Stair Tower at 20 S. Third St.
- **Tim DiPietro, Dan Hamilton, John Meyer, Mike Remy and Scott Smallwood** (Anderson Aluminum Corp.) for the renovation of an existing building, including the complete removal of the existing curtain wall and installation of a brand-new curtain wall system at JPMC Easton Office
- **Chuck Boring, Logan Boring and Matthew Brettrager** (Berglund Construction) for the historic restoration and modern brick additions at Whitehall City Hall
- **Nicholas Barret, Kyle Fletcher, Chad Mullenex and Christian Wolford** (Claypool Electric, Inc.) for the complete restoration and installation of lighting fixtures at OSU Bricker Hall Department of Economics Relocation
- **Sam Austrino, Marvin Bailey, Zack Benton, John Dotts and Donny Holloway** (Converse Electric) for the complex integration of electrical systems and power distribution at Warabeya North American, Inc.
- **Ashton Crowder, Laird Cunningham, Raymond Frazier, Trevor Meade and Doren Patton** (Elford, Inc.) for the installation of a cupola at Fire Station 36
- **Santos Diaz Gomez, Leobardo Garcia, Ivan Martinez, Lexi Szukala and Hector Ventura** (Environmental Management, Inc.) for the installation of landscape and hardscape at the Preston Park Elevated Walkway

- **Jae Cutter, Matt Seebach, Myron Seebach, Angel Valdivia and Shane Whitt** (Fairfield Insulation & Drywall, LLC) for the installation of framing, drywall and ceilings for the theatre room at Prototype: The Experimental Museum
- **Matt Antanasio, Chris Clucus, Marc Dickerson, Mike Jones and Brenden Kelley** (John W. Danforth Company) for the installation of piping, ductwork and air handling units at OSU East Hospital
- **Imar Dunlap, Ian Law, Crystal Lowery, Derek Malone and Mike Malone** (Messer Construction Co.) for the uninterrupted hospital maintenance and infection control management at the OhioHealth Critical Facilities Systems Infrastructure
- **Jaret Christiansen, Steve Mendera, Bryce Payne, Cole Stevens and Bill Switalski** (Mid-City Electric / Technologies) for the installation of lighting, fire alarm systems, electrical gear, site lighting, rooftop mechanical equipment connections, and underground infrastructure at the Columbus Metropolitan Library Canal Winchester Branch
- **Anthony Cook, Chris Foose, Mike Granger, Colton Hiles and Phill Price** (Mid-City Electric / Technologies) for the electrical improvements and upgrades to the power distribution systems at Circle K Project Buckeye
- **Evan Callahan, Christian Hardin, David Medley, Jr., Dave Taylor and Matt Vanarsdale** (Mid-City Electric / Technologies) for the electrical panel replacement and electrical lighting upgrades at the Rhoads State Office Tower
- **Rick Collins, Phil Harris, Heath Hooper, Hunter Hooper and Noah Lucas** (Midstate Contractors, Inc.) for the restoration of a historic grain mill at O.P. Chaney Grain Elevator
- **Dawson Andrews, Stephan T. Pazur and Steve Walczak** (MIELKE Mechanical, Inc.) for the fabrication, layout and installation of process plumbing systems at The Ohio State University Multi-Species Animal Learning Center
- **Mario Feria Hernandez, Steve Keene, Oscar Palma, Connor Reames and Denver Wren** (Pepper Construction Company of Ohio, LLC) for the Installation of wood structures located in the North America Trek at The Columbus Zoo and Aquarium
- **Aaron Decker, Don Graber, Jr., Jeremy Hollar, Dylan McQueen and JJ Thompson** (Pierce Construction, Inc.) for the installation of custom fabricated wood wall panels at The Ohio State University Wexner Medical Center
- **Charley Blakely, Connor Gessner, Rylion Johnson, Carl Shapaka and Kent Sparks** (Settle-Muter Electric, Ltd.) for the coordination and installation of the theatrical lighting, fire alarm and custom lighting systems at Gahanna Lincoln High School
- **Tyler Copper, Jeremy Hall, Kevin Hanson, Phil Ludwig and Calib McPeck** (Speer Mechanical) for the installation of piping and cooling towers at the Huntington Cooling Tower Project
- **Vince Borean, Chris Endicott, Josh Kirk, Troy Miller and Colton Thompson** (Speer Mechanical) for the chiller replacement at Nationwide Plaza 3
- **Aaron Easterday, Don Elswick and Ron Elswick** (Superior) for the replacement and upgrade of the main switchgear, redundant power sources, and upgrading all generator control systems at the State of Ohio Computer Center
- **Luke Ford, Calvin Hatem and Shawn "Scooter" McDaniel** (Superior) for the replacement of the electrical distribution infrastructure at The Ohioan
- **Kyle Brubaker, Jeffrey Holmes, Kevin Jahn and Charles Thomas** (Valley Interior Systems, Inc.) for the fabrication, layout and installation of soffit and structural framing at Gahanna Lincoln High School