

Appraisal Journal Article Awards

The Appraisal Journal presents three annual article awards:

The Armstrong/Kahn Award, the Swango Award, and the Richard U. Ratcliff Award

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 all original 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 articles by a practitioner and a nonpractitioner are equal in merit, the practitioner's article would be given preference.

The Armstrong/Kahn Award may include an honorarium. The winner of this award is selected by the Editor-in-Chief and a committee of *The Appraisal Journal* Editorial Board, review panels, and outside reviewers, as appointed by the Editor-in-Chief. The award winner is announced in the Spring issue of *The Appraisal Journal*.

Swango Award

The Swango Award is presented for the best original article published in *The Appraisal Journal* during the previous year on residential or general appraising, or technology-related topics, or for original research of benefit to real estate analysts and valuers. The article must be practical in nature and address issues useful to appraisers in their day-to-day practice. Articles eligible for this award must be written by appraisal practitioners, i.e., individuals who perform real estate appraisals as their primary profession.

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Richard U. Ratcliff Award

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To be eligible for this award, an article must have been reviewed by a member of *The Appraisal Journal's* Academic Review Panel and the principal author must be primarily engaged in teaching or research affiliated with a college or university.

The Richard U. Ratcliff Award may include an honorarium. The winner of this award is selected by the Editor-in-Chief and a committee made up of members of the Academic Review Panel, and the Editorial Board or Review Panel, as appointed by the Editor-in-Chief. The award winner is announced in the Spring issue of *The Appraisal Journal*.