



# **SFNOMA ARE SPONSORSHIP PROGRAM**

## NOMA MISSION

The National Organization of Minority Architects, mission is to serve as an increasing influential voice, promoting the quality and excellence of minority design professionals.

NOMA's mission, rooted in a rich legacy of activism, is to empower our local chapters and membership to foster justice and equity in communities of color through outreach, community advocacy, professional development and design excellence.

## NOMA 50 X 50 CHALLENGE

In conjunction with NOMA's 50th Anniversary Celebration, NOMA has challenged 50 more members to become licensed architects by the annual conference in 2021. To provide additional support NOMA has partnered with Black Spectacles to offer licensure candidates who are current 2021 members the opportunity to access the ARE 5.0 Prep Expert package at a deeply discounted rate.

- Only 50 seats per month available, first come, first served.
- Candidates who are existing Black Spectacles users will be able to continue tracking their progress with the use of their current log in.

Please visit [noma.net/black-spectacles-50x50](https://noma.net/black-spectacles-50x50) for more info or email [tiffany.mayhew@noma.net](mailto:tiffany.mayhew@noma.net)

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We value our NOMA and local SFNOMA members and we understand that the architecture licensing process is a crucial part of the architecture and design career pipeline. We recognize that ARE exam materials are expensive and taking these exams are an additional financial burden that disproportionately affects candidates from underrepresented backgrounds and identities. We also recognize ARE exams are difficult to pass with most candidates taking exams multiple times before passing. Reporting from NCARB still shows drastically low numbers for BIPOC and minority ARE candidates who have passed all exams. So, in addition to the 50 x 50 Challenge, SFNOMA wants to do our part to aid in the process. In response to these challenges, SFNOMA is starting a pilot program to sponsor ARE candidate exams **upfront, whether you pass or fail.**

For additional study resources, please visit [sfnoma.net/sfnoma-are-exam-support](https://sfnoma.net/sfnoma-are-exam-support)

## ELIGIBILITY

- Must be a CURRENT 2021 SFNOMA member
- Must be a licensure candidate with an active NCARB account

## NEXT STEPS

If you are testing and need financial support for ARE exam seats, please email [exams@sfnoma.net](mailto:exams@sfnoma.net) to start the process.

\*ARE seat sponsorships requests are fulfilled 1 seat at a time per candidate with a maximum of 2 seat sponsorships per quarter.

