

For Immediate Release
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The Over-the-Rhine Foundation is hosting a design competition in conjunction with the proposed update to the New Construction Guidelines for the Over-the-Rhine Historic District. The OTR Foundation's Infill Committee, established in 2013 to address the challenges of infill design in this historic neighborhood, has worked in partnership with the Historic Conservation Office for the past several years to modernize the guidelines which were last updated in 2003. The goal of the update is to provide clear and comprehensive guideline language paired with illustrative graphics to assist in designing new construction that will enhance the long term coherence of Over-the-Rhine and its desirability to both residents and visitors.

The competition is open to the public. Participants are tasked with designing a new construction project, site and exterior envelope only, at 1716-18 Vine Street following the proposed new construction guidelines, see the [brief here](#). Pre-register by 1/20/18 at <https://goo.gl/forms/iAosncYxrTE7Fcw12>, with a small registration fee of \$15.00. First, second, and third place cash prizes will be awarded and announced on 3/23/18. The first place prize is \$5000.00. The competition team will host a kick-off question and answer event on 1/26/18 at Graydon on Main, 1421 Main Street in OTR, from 5:00 to 7:00 PM. Two public input sessions will be hosted by the Historic Conservation Office on Tuesday 2/6/18 at 3:00PM and 5:00PM at a TBD location in OTR to garner public input on the proposed guidelines.