



# AZ AWARDS FOR DESIGN EXCELLENCE

AZURE Magazine's AZ AWARDS is an international competition recognizing excellence in design. Entries are juried by a multidisciplinary panel of experts.

## IMPORTANT DATES

- Submissions open Wednesday, January 2, 2013
- Deadline for submissions is Friday, February 22, 2013
- Finalists will be notified in April 2013
- Winners will be featured in the AZ Awards annual on newsstands in June 2013

## GUIDELINES

- Entries must be submitted and received via the online entry system by 12 midnight EST on February 22, 2013.
- All images must be jpg format, 72 dpi resolution and no larger than a 8.5"x 11" print size.
- Project descriptions and images must not contain the name or logo of the designer, architect, firm, company, client or manufacturer.

## ELIGIBILITY

- Designers and design firms from all disciplines
- Architects, landscape architects and architectural firms
- Post-secondary students enrolled in design and architecture programs in 2012
- Clients and manufacturers
- Projects must be completed by December 31, 2012
- Products must be prototyped or in production
- Concepts must have been developed or presented for the first time in 2012

## JUDGING CRITERIA

- Is the design contemporary, visually and intellectually stimulating, forward looking, socially relevant and technically innovative?
- Does the design have a beneficial social and ecological impact? i.e., is the design sustainable, socially responsible, environmentally

friendly, possess a long life span, contain recycled materials or can be recycled?

- Does the design have the ability to uplift spirits, generate curiosity or simply delight?

## GENERAL TERMS & CONDITIONS

- All information and requested materials must be provided or the submission will be disqualified without notice or return of payment.
- Works are excluded from the competition if their presentation would infringe a right. The entrant authorizes AZURE Publishing Inc. to publish the submission in AZURE Magazine, on [azuremagazine.com](http://azuremagazine.com), and any websites affiliated with the AZ Awards competition. The submission may be reproduced, in whole or in part, for editorial and promotional purposes.
- No refunds will be issued under any circumstances.
- Submissions become the property of AZURE.

## CATEGORIES

### DESIGN

- Furniture** - residential furniture, office and contract furniture, garden furniture
- Furniture systems** - office systems, kitchen and bath furniture systems, storage systems
- Lighting** - indoor and outdoor fixtures, lighting systems
- Interior products** - wall and floor coverings, housewares, fixtures and fittings, textiles, window coverings, appliances, flooring

### ARCHITECTURE

- Residential buildings** - single-family, multi-unit, new builds, renovations and additions
- Commercial and institutional buildings** - over 1,000 square metres, under 1,000 square metres
- Landscapes** - public and private landscapes
- Temporary and demonstration** - installations, exhibit designs, presentation centres/model suites, theatre sets and displays



## INTERIORS

Residential Interiors

Commercial and Institutional Interiors

## CONCEPTS

Unbuilt Competition Entries

Other Unrealized Concepts

## A+ AWARD

**Student Work** – any industrial design product, architectural structure, interior space or unbuilt/unrealized concept developed by a student enrolled in a post-secondary design or architecture program in 2012. Winners will receive a \$5,000 cash prize sponsored by TD Bank Group.

## PEOPLE'S CHOICE AWARD

All finalists are eligible to receive the People's Choice Award, decided by the general public. Voting will take place during the month of April 2013, on [azuremagazine.com](http://azuremagazine.com).

## FEES

- \$150 per entry
- \$30 for A+ student award submissions

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## DESIGN

- Project description: no more than 500 words including objectives and how they were met, design challenges, social and environmental impact (pdf only)
- Images: up to 5 photographs and up to 5 drawings/renderings (jpg only)
- Project specs: no more than 300 words including dimensions, materials, fabrication techniques, manufacturing process (pdf only)

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