DEA
Rules & Regulations

Entry Criteria for Residential Entries

Entries will demonstrate the following:

- Consideration of both aesthetic and functional aspects of the project; problems and/or challenges; and special or unique services provided
- Present design concept showing purpose, focus and applicable to intent of the design.
- Explain design solutions: choices made to have an outstanding outcome, details relating to architecture, lighting, furniture, and technical aspects.

Submission Requirements

Project Documentation

- **Project Description:**
  Write a description of a maximum of 1000 words, following the judging criteria. The description should be written in the **third person** and adhere to prompts on the online design platform.
- **Modified Project Summary:**
  Provide a concise summary (50-75 words) to be used during the awards presentation if the project wins. This summary should also be written in the **third person.**

Floor Plans

- **Furniture Floor Plans:**
- Submit floor plans in **PDF format**, clearly indicating the scale of the drawings. Include room dimensions to establish square feet and relevant dimensions to communicate scale and total square footage.

Photographs

- **General Requirements:**
  - Submit between **2 and 10 photographs** per entry.
  - Each photograph can only be submitted to one category.
- **"Before" Photos:**
  - Include photos of the project's condition prior to the redesign. These are for reference only and will not be judged.
- **"After" Photos:**
  - Format: **JPG** at 300 dpi.
  - File Size: **Minimum 500kb, Maximum 10MB.**

- **Photo Credits:**
  - o Include the photographer's name or firm.
  - o Professional photography is encouraged but not required.
- **Photo File Names:**
  - o File names should be numbered sequentially to indicate the desired order of presentation. For example: *"01 – space"*, *"02 – space"*, and so on

Industry Partners

- **Industry Partner List:**
  Provide a list of at least **two Industry Partners** involved in the project, verified as current members during the project's timeframe.

Judging Criteria

Entries will be evaluated based on a total of 100 points, divided as follows:
- Design Concept Statement: 15 points
- Design Challenges and Solutions: 20 points
- Scale and Proportion: 15 points
- Creativity: 25 points
- Overall Quality of the Project: 25 points

Residential Categories

R01 Residential Single Space: excluding Kitchen and Bathroom

R02 Residential Two or More Spaces: in residences of 2,500 sq. ft. or less, may include kitchens and/or bathrooms.

R03 Residential Two or More Spaces: in residences of 2,501-5,000 sq. ft., may include kitchens and/or bathrooms.

R04 Residential Two or More Spaces: in residences more than 5,000 sq. ft., may include kitchens and/or bathrooms.

R05 Residential Apartment, Condo, Townhouse or Loft* (i.e., a residential setting governed by building management restrictions or Board of Directors rules.)

R06 Residential Small Bathroom: 50 sq. ft. or less

R07 Residential Large Bathroom: 51 sq. ft. or more

R08 Residential Small Kitchen: 150 sq. ft. or less

R09 Residential Large Kitchen: 151 sq. ft. or more

R10 Residential Show House Space: Show House spaces may not be entered into any other category

R11 Design for People with Special or Specific Needs/Aging in Place/Universal Design

R12 Specialty and Unique Interior Spaces

R13 Outdoor Living Space