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30 Years of
Excellence in
Architecture

Awards Submission Details

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Celebrating 30 Years of Excellence in Architecture



Founded in 1989, the RIAI Architecture Awards celebrate their 30th anniversary this year. As Ireland's premier architecture awards, they recognise the quality of current work by RIAI Members at home and abroad and create awareness of the contribution that architecture makes to society for everyone's benefit. The results of the 2019 RIAI Architecture Awards will be announced at the RIAI Awards Summer Party at the Mansion House on Friday 7 June.

The RIAI is delighted to announce that Gerflor is our premier awards supporter for the fourth year running.



Key Awards Dates

Thursday
24 January

**Submissions
Open**

Monday
4 March

**Submissions
Close**

March &
April

Adjudication

May

**Public Choice
Award**

Friday
7 June

**RIAI Awards
Ceremony**

Mansion House, Dublin

Eligibility & Entry Requirements

1. Projects submitted for the 2019 Awards must be **practically completed** between 1 January and 31 December 2018. (This does not apply to the following categories: 9 Masterplanning; 10 Research; 11 Future Award)
2. Only projects by RIAI Members shall be considered for the RIAI Architecture Awards.
3. The RIAI Member submitting the entry and using their membership details must be responsible for the design of project.
4. RIAI Members may enter any of their projects that were practically completed in 2018.
5. The RIAI acknowledges the collaborative nature of architecture but with regard to the use of the title 'architect' we have a legal obligation to comply with the Building Control Act 2007.

Awards Categories

In all categories, the Jury may make separate awards for projects of different scales and complexity.

1. Workplace and Fit-Out

This category includes offices, workplace design, fit-out, as well as local authority offices, retail, restaurants, cafes, and hotels.

2. Adaptation and Re-use

This category includes buildings that have undergone conservation and/or restoration work, and are either in continuous use or have been adapted for re-use.

3. Cultural / Public Buildings

This category includes buildings in cultural use such as libraries, arts and community buildings.

4. Learning Environments

This category includes all learning environments from nursery schools to primary, second and third level as well as adult education.

5. Wellbeing

This category includes the full suite of healthcare buildings – from acute hospitals to primary care centres and GP surgeries. It also includes leisure and sport facilities designed to improve wellbeing.

6. Living

This category includes buildings designed for living – from home extensions to one-off houses and to apartments and mixed use housing schemes.

7. International

This category includes buildings outside Ireland designed by RIAI Members.

8. Public Space

This category includes realised public realm projects that enhance our built environment.

9. Urban Design / Masterplanning – New Award

This category includes urban design studies, master plans, redevelopment strategies, and community plans of an urban area.

10. Research – New Award

Developed in partnership with the ARUP Trust, this award recognises excellence in architectural research.

11. The Future Award

Awarded in association with the RIAI Journal, *Architecture Ireland*, the Future Award recognises and awards new talent in architecture.

Special Awards

Following building visits, the Jury may award exceptional achievement in the following categories:

12. Innovation – New Award

This category includes buildings from every typology that show particular innovation in design and delivery.

13. Building for All – Universal Design

Developed in partnership with CEUD, this award recognises excellence in Universal Design.

14. Sustainability

This award is for projects that demonstrate innovation and excellence in sustainable design.

Preparing Your Entry

Categories 1-8

A valid entry for the RIAI Architecture Awards will have the following specification:

- **Board:** Please submit one A1 Board (841 x 594mm), light-weight (5mm foam board), per category, per entry.
- **Information:** Project Name, Category, Order ID number must be present on A1 Board. The Order ID must be placed in the top right of A1 Board layout. Landscape format is preferred.
- **Drawings:** Please include Site Plan, Plans, Sections and Elevations.
- **Photographs:** Sufficient photos should be used to illustrate the scheme.
- **Anonymity:** Shortlisting is based on anonymous entries. Please ensure that no photographs, drawings or text supplied on the board/the hard copy submission should bear any identifying mark or logo of the registered architect, or practice.
- **Online:** In your online submission please supply high quality images (including a landscape-format publicity photo) and Client Comment. This applies to all categories except 12, 13, 14.

Packaging your Entry

- Please put the Awards Category and Order ID number on the outside of your package.
- Packaging should be light. If delivering by hand, a simple, light covering will suffice; if delivering by post, no sticky tape near or on the board as this can cause damage to the boards.
- The RIAI will not be held responsible for any damaged goods received on delivery of submission.

Once you have submitted and paid for your entry we are unable to make any refund or amendments.

Categories 9-11

9. Urban Design / Masterplanning (New Award)

This new award includes urban design studies, master plans, redevelopment strategies and community plans for an urban area that provide a development or redevelopment strategy for the mid-term to long term and demonstrate innovation and the potential for a significant social, economic, environmental or cultural benefit. Plans must be adopted / permitted by the planning authority or published by the contracting authority.

Submission: Entries should include an A1 board illustrating the proposal and a description of the project.

10. Research (New Award)

This new award – supported by the ARUP Trust – recognises excellence in architectural research. Architectural research is essential and integral to the practice of architecture and contributes to the development of knowledge. The benefits of architectural research are far reaching and can have positive social, cultural and environmental impacts.

Potential areas for innovation include research and development, applied use of new technology and adaptation of existing technology. Innovation can also be demonstrated by new project delivery and construction methods, advanced design processes and fresh approaches to details and materials.

Preparing Your Entry

Submission: Entrants should submit with their entry form online an A4 PDF document – including text and illustrations – of no more than 5 pages, providing information on the criteria below. The Jury may request further information, following submission.

- What is the specific performance improvement/enhancement of this particular research?
- What are the broader implications to other projects of this research?
- How does this innovation further the practice of architecture?

11. The Future Award

Awarded in association with the RIAI Journal, *Architecture Ireland*, the Future Award recognises and awards new talent in architecture. This is an Award for an individual within a 10-year timeframe of becoming a registered architect. The Jury is looking for architects who show exceptional skill and talent in any of the following areas relating to architecture: design, practice, research, public engagement and education.

Submission: Those who wish to enter for the award, or are nominated, are requested to download the document '[RIAI and Architecture Ireland Future Award](#)' and prepare a written statement based on the questionnaire as well as submit an A1 Board of a maximum of 3 projects that demonstrate their approach, skill and achievements. Please securely attach your statement to the back of your A1 Board and upload to the entry form online.

12. Innovation (New Award)

This category includes buildings from every typology that shows particular innovation in design and delivery. The award will be decided by the Jury following building visits. There is **no entry fee** for entering and no submission required, all projects selected for visits will be considered for this award.

13. Building for All – Universal Design

The RIAI Statement of Policy on Accessibility, Inclusion and Universal Design, issued in early 2018, sets out the context for the practice of architecture in Ireland. The principles of Universal Design: equitable use, flexibility in use, simple and intuitive use, perceptible information, tolerance for error, low physical effort and appropriate size and spaces for approach and use ensure that the built environment can be used easily, safely, with dignity and enjoyed by all, regardless of age or ability and embracing every background, gender, ethnicity and culture.

Submission: There is **no entry fee** for this award due to **funding by the Centre for Excellence in Universal Design (CEUD)**. If you wish for your project to be considered for this award, please opt-in for this award in the Entry Form. Please provide also a short Universal Design Statement (max 2 A4 sheets, please securely attach to the back of your A1 Board) which outlines the following:

- Why you believe that this project is an example of best practice in accessibility, inclusion and universal design.
- Demonstrate how the principles of Universal Design have been used so that this project can be used easily, safely, with dignity and enjoyed by all.

Preparing Your Entry

- The approach taken to accessibility, inclusion and universal design during the design process (for example, consultation with end-users at different stages of the process).
- A client or end-user statement on how the project responds to the diverse needs of users.

The RIAI Universal Design Taskforce will select projects for visits. They report back to the external jury member appointed by CEUD and jointly a recommendation is made for this award.

This award has been developed in partnership with the Centre for Excellence in Universal Design (CEUD) at the National Disability Authority (NDA). CEUD's remit is to promote Universal Design in the areas of the Built Environment, Information Communication Technology (ICT) and Products and Services. The Centre is the only statutory Centre for Universal Design in the world.

14. Sustainability

This award is for projects that demonstrate innovation and excellence in sustainable design.

Submission: There is **no entry fee** for this award. If you wish for your project to be considered for this award, please opt-in for this award on the Entry Form and complete the *RIAI Sustainability Checklist*, devised by the RIAI Sustainability Taskforce. Please securely attach your completed Sustainability Checklist to the back of your A1 Board. Please read the information on the [checklist](#).

Awards Entry Checklist

- Projects submitted must be practically completed between 1 January and 31 December 2018.
- Entries – both A1 Boards and written documents (Future, Research, Sustainability and Universal Design) – must be anonymous and should not bear any identifying mark or logo of the registered architect or practice. Your Order ID must be in the top right hand corner
- Your project title should be the same on both the A1 board and the online form. This title will be used in the awards (if successful) and any publicity. Once submitted it is not possible to change your entry especially the project name.
- Payment is made online. Each entry is subject to the payment fee with the exception of the Special Awards for Innovation, Sustainability and Universal Design.
- The cost for entering Awards Categories 1-11 is €100 + Vat. Categories 12-14 are free.

**Closing date is
Monday 4 March 12 noon 2019.**

Delivery Address is:
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Adjudication

The main Jury is ratified by RIAI Council and consists of 6 or more RIAI Members plus a distinguished guest juror.

1. It is the function of the RIAI to ensure that only eligible projects are considered.
2. The A1 board that is entered is for the purpose of the Jury only; all other material supplied, visual or otherwise is used for record and publicity purposes.
3. The Jury will select projects for visits and from these visits will shortlist.
4. Shortlisted entrants will be notified in writing by email.
5. In all categories, the Jury may make separate awards for projects of different scales and complexity.
6. The Jury may recommend that no award be made in a particular category.
7. The Jury may move an entry to a more suitable category of their choice.
8. The Jury may request additional information on a project context and technical information.
9. The RIAI Council reserves the right to permit or refuse the presentation of any Award. All Awards shall be made on an equal basis.
10. The RIAI Council may direct the Jury on any matter relating to the Awards.
11. The RIAI Council may also nominate projects for consideration.

The Shortlist

Following building visits, the Jury will make their decisions and shortlist. The Shortlist is then announced in the Media. Please ensure that the Architects' names and contact details are entered correctly on the application form so that media interviews can be organised. The Shortlist is announced approximately 3 weeks before the Awards presentation (7 June 2019).

The Public Choice Award

The Shortlist creates the nominees for the Public Choice Award. Images of shortlisted projects will be uploaded online where the public can view and vote for their favourite building.

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