



CALL FOR ENTRIES

The Premier's Awards of Excellence in Design is an interdisciplinary, juried competition that recognizes outstanding professional design in Saskatchewan in these categories:

- Architecture

- Engineering & Geoscience

- Graphic Design

- Interior Design

- Landscape Architecture

- Planning; and

- Integrated Design

The common theme is the value and excellence of professional design in Saskatchewan. Award submissions will be displayed during Saskatchewan Design Week, held from November 17–24, 2023. The winning submissions will be presented at the virtual Awards Gala on Friday, November 24, 2023.

ELIGIBILITY

The awards competition is open to projects that have been substantially designed and/or implemented in Saskatchewan **between 2021 and 2023**.

- The applicant(s) must be a **Saskatchewan resident(s) in good standing with a DCS member association(s)**. See list of member associations on page 2. Submissions with a lead designer that is not active in a DCS member association will not be eligible.
- The scope of work identified in the award submission must have been completed by a **Saskatchewan designer(s) in good standing with a Design Council of Saskatchewan (DCS) member association(s)**. Entries must accurately portray the scope of work completed by Saskatchewan designer(s).
- Projects undertaken outside of Saskatchewan by eligible Saskatchewan designer(s) may also be considered.
- The integrated design category must demonstrate significant collaborative involvement and design excellence by two or more DCS member associations throughout the project. The same scope of work cannot be entered into any other category.
- Applicant(s) may submit more than one entry. However, a submitted project will not be eligible for an award at any future Saskatchewan Design Week cycles.
- Projects submitted for awards in past Saskatchewan Design Week cycles are not eligible for entry.

SUBMISSIONS

All entries must be made through our online submission portal:

designcouncil.sk.ca/premiers-awards

- Each submission must include (as part of boards) a design statement of 250 words or less, outlining the design objective and any other pertinent information which supports the Design Council of Saskatchewan's mandate.
- Entries should consist of professional quality photos, illustrations, plans or printed samples. Plans are recommended for all submissions of built work.
- There shall be no corporate logos, text or other graphics identifying the company or designer(s) on the boards.

[Click here](#) to browse our past award winners.

Submissions must be formatted as:

- Unlocked PDF format
- 300dpi (max file size 100MB)
- 30" (762mm) wide x 23" (584mm) sheets (landscape only)
- No bleeds or crop marks
- Include a 30" x 23" black 1px outline. Do not include any bleeds or crop marks on your poster
- Contain a 2" (50mm) wide white title block blank space for entrant information and corporate logos to be inserted by DCS later. The title block must be located on the bottom or right side of the first board. Reminder: Do not include corporate logos, text or other graphics identifying the company or designer(s) on the boards
- Maximum of two (2) sheets per entry for Architecture, Engineering & Geoscience, Interior Design, Landscape Architecture, Planning and Integrated Design. Graphic design entries must be one (1) sheet per entry

Entry Fees:

\$150 per entry for Architecture, Engineering & Geoscience, Interior Design, Landscape Architecture, Planning and Integrated Design.

\$75 per entry for Graphic Design.

The following must also be submitted:

- Letter of consent from the client(s) granting the entrants the right to submit the project for consideration by the awards jury and for publications
- Design statement of 250 words or less (the same copy from your boards), in Microsoft word doc or PDF file format
- Separate high-quality digital image files (300dpi, JPEG file format) including all photos, illustrations, plans or printed samples included on your boards for judging and publicity purposes. One of the submitted images must be labelled as your "hero" image which may be featured during the awards gala and for publicity purposes
- Corporate logos for all applicants on your submission (JPEG file format)
- Site plan or location map for your project (PDF file format, max file size 10MB)

ENTRY DEADLINE: 11:59pm CST • September 11, 2023

JUDGING & AWARDS

The jury will evaluate all projects based on common criteria: designcouncil.sk.ca/judging-criteria

Additional specific criteria may be applied to submissions in each category as determined by the jury representative(s) from each discipline.

The jury may award one or more of the following awards in each category:

- Award of Excellence
- Award of Merit
- Honourable Mention

DESIGN COUNCIL OF SASKATCHEWAN (DCS) MEMBER ASSOCIATIONS

Saskatchewan Association of Architects (SAA)

- Association of Professional Engineers & Geoscientists of Saskatchewan (APEGS) • Design Professionals of Canada (DesCan), Saskatoon & Regina • Interior Designers Association of Saskatchewan (IDAS) • Saskatchewan Association of Landscape Architects (SALA) • Saskatchewan Professional Planners Institute (SPPI)

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