Submit your projects beginning April 1, 2024 through July 15, 2024
At GeorgiaDesignAwards.com
Overview

Atlanta Magazine’s HOME and Atlanta magazine are pleased to present the third annual Georgia Design Awards. These awards are the first of their kind—bringing together all segments of the design, architecture, construction and landscape communities in order to showcase the best work and brightest talent across the state of Georgia. The program is also the first to involve both trade and consumers. Leveraging the full audiences of both our magazines, along with the extensive reach of atlantamagazine.com, the winning designs will be showcased in front of design enthusiasts throughout the region.

The Georgia Design Awards spans the categories of architecture, interior design, homebuilding, remodeling, and landscape design—both residential and commercial. Entrants must be based in Georgia and will have the opportunity to submit projects ranging from a single room or product installation to an entire home or public space. Submissions will be accepted beginning April 15, 2024, through July 15, 2024. Entries are judged by an independent panel of design professionals from outside of Georgia. Winners will be announced at the Georgia Design Awards Gala in December 2024. Award-winning entries will also be featured in the winter edition of Atlanta Magazine’s HOME.
How To Enter

Begin by visiting GeorgiaDesignAwards.com and creating an account. Once an account has been created, and after you’ve signed in, click the “New Entry” link and fill out the form with your project details and attach your images. Remember to save your entry. You may revisit and submit as many entries as you wish until 11:59 p.m. on July 15, 2024. Once you’ve entered all of your projects, use the “Submit and Pay” link to check out and finalize your submissions.

PROJECT IMAGES & NAMING CONVENTIONS

Each entry must be accompanied by at three (3), but no more than eight (8), high-resolution image(s). Image(s) submitted must be about 8 x 10 inches, at 300 dpi minimum (any image that does not meet this requirement will not be accepted). The acceptable format is JPG, with a size limitation of 50MB per image. Please see our Photography Terms section. Important Note: To ensure anonymity, photos should be named by category and NOT the name of the professional/homeowner submitting the project. Please label your images as “CategoryEntered_ProjectName_ImageNumber.jpg” Example of correct image name:
GreatRoom_MidcenturyMagic_1.jpg
GreatRoom_MidcenturyMagic_2.jpg
If your images are not named properly, your project may be disqualified. You may enter as many projects as you wish. Please upload your appropriately named images via the online submission form.

READER’S CHOICE AWARDS AND BEST IN SHOW

Readers’ Choice and Best in Show. “Readers’ Choice” is an award given to the project that receives the most online votes from our readers. Residential projects in the major interior design and architectural categories will be posted at atlantamagazine.com for reader voting. In addition, “Best in Show” will be awarded to the highest-scoring project across all categories.
PROJECT CONCEPT STATEMENT / DESCRIPTION
The form will require an overview (100-250 words) detailing significant aspects of the project. The statement should discuss design challenges, project location (city name), design solutions, and other pertinent aspects, but must NOT mention firm names, nor individuals involved. Entrants must include the year the project was completed. Design projects more than five years old will not be accepted. Projects should be submitted via the entry submission form at GeorgiaDesignAwards.com.

JUDGING
An independent panel of design experts outside of Georgia will determine the winners. Judges are drawn from media, respected academic institutions, and private practice, and include prominent names from design and architecture. The editorial team at Atlanta Magazine HOME’s will oversee the process and make certain it is professional and fair. The panel’s expertise will reflect a broad spectrum of relevant professions, including architecture, building, remodeling, interior design, and landscape design. All judges’ decisions are final.

DEADLINE
All entries must be submitted and paid for in full via the web form by 11:59p.m. on July 15, 2024.

FEES
1-3 entries: $100 each
4-6 entries: $75 each
7+ entries: $50 each
Entry fees are payable via our online entry form, which accepts PayPal, Visa, MasterCard, or American Express. Fees are non-refundable.

PHOTOGRAPHY TERMS
Entrants must submit only royalty/reuse-free photos. It is the entrant’s responsibility to obtain releases from their photographer before submitting images (to be used during the Georgia Design Awards Gala and published by Atlanta Magazine LLC and its affiliates at no additional charge). All photography submitted may be published free of charge by Atlanta Magazine LLC with free usage in print and online. It is the entrant’s responsibility to inform the photographer of these terms. If you are listing your photographer’s name and that photographer took photos that you are entering in more than one category, please list your photographer’s name/company the same way throughout. Photo selection and size/cropping is at the magazine’s discretion.
ELIGIBILITY

The Georgia Design Awards are open to trade professionals in the following categories: Interior Design, Architecture, Home Building, Home Remodeling, and Landscape Design. Consumers/homeowners who are interested in having their homes/projects considered can do so but should include the names, if any, of design/build professionals who completed the work being submitted. Trade or Retail Showrooms are also eligible to submit projects for consideration but should include the names of any design/build professional who was involved with the project being submitted. Entries that have won in or were submitted to competitions other than the Georgia Design Awards are allowed. Projects submitted previously to the GDA awards that have not won an award may be re-submitted. The principal design/build/architecture professional overseeing each entry must be based in the state of Georgia, regardless of whether that professional’s firm is headquartered in Georgia. Projects themselves may be located in other states and must have been completed since July 31, 2019. Atlanta Magazine LLC reserves the right to disqualify any entries that do not meet the requirements.

GUIDELINES / ADDITIONAL TERMS

Gold winning entries will receive only one award plaque. Additional plaques may be purchased at a cost of $45. If other companies, designers, and/or homeowners contributed to the project and would like to receive awards, duplicate plaques may be purchased upon receipt of the winner letter at an additional cost of $45. Important note: If you list a co-entrant on an entry, the co-entrant’s name will appear as a co-winner with your company name in the magazine and on the award plaque if your submission is selected as a winner. There is a separate opportunity on the submission form to list others who contributed to the project; this area is optional and those you list here may be mentioned at the gala or in the Atlanta Magazine’s HOME editorial. When there are fewer than five entries in a particular category, no award will be given unless there is a gold winner. Failure to comply fully with contest rules may result in disqualification. Entry fee is non-refundable and will not be returned (even if entry is determined to be ineligible or disqualified). Atlanta Magazine LLC and Atlanta Magazine’s HOME are not liable for lost, stolen, ineligible, misdirected, damaged, mutilated, or postage-due entries. Winning submissions become the property of Atlanta Magazine LLC and Atlanta Magazine’s HOME. Atlanta Magazine LLC and Atlanta Magazine’s HOME retain legal/publishing rights after publishing of the Winter 2022 Atlanta Magazine’s HOME magazine.
Categories For Contest Submissions

Contest categories are subject to change
Interiors

- Residence up to 4,000 sq. ft. (images from at least four spaces)
- Residence more than 4,000 sq. ft. (images from at least six spaces)
- Apartment / loft / condo
- Model home interior (single or multi-family residence)
- Vacation home interior (any size)
- Foyer / entry
- Living room / Great Room
- Dining room
- Powder room
- Sitting room/keeping room
- Kitchen (up to 200 sq. ft.)
- Kitchen (between 201 - 500 sq. ft.)
- Kitchen (over 500 sq. ft.)
- Butler’s Pantry/Scullery
- Primary bedroom / suite
- Bath (up to 150 sq. ft.)
- Bath (more than 150 sq. ft.)
- Guest suite

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Interiors

- Children’s room / play space
- Accessible / universal design (elevator, walk-in shower, counter height, etc.)
- Garage
- Laundry room / mud room
- Specialty room (gym, music, craft, billiards, pet area, etc.)
- Closet
- Basement
- Wine room / Bar
- Home office
- Porch / Sunroom
- Interior use of stone, porcelain, glass, or other hard surfaces
- Interior / exterior lighting
- Interior use of color

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Residential Architecture

- Historic renovation / restoration (50 years or older)
- Small-scale remodel (up to 1,000 sq. ft.)
- Large remodel (over 1,000 sq. ft.)
- Addition
- Vacation home
- Model home
- New build, residence up to 4,000 sq. ft.
- New build, residence more than 4,000 sq. ft.
Outdoor Spaces

- Exterior use of stone/tile/concrete
- Residential landscape water feature
- Residential swimming pool/spa
- Residential sports area (basketball, tennis, putting green, etc.)
- Deck/patio/porch/screened porch
- Outdoor kitchen
- Outdoor fireplace
- Residential landscape design (over one acre)
- Residential landscape design (under one acre)

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Contract Design

- Retail (boutiques, stores, salons, etc.)
- Restaurants/Bars
- Private Club
- Historic renovation public building
- Office (interiors and/or architecture)
- Hotel
- Multi-Family
- Public Place (museums, parks, etc.)

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Questions?

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Printable entry packets are available at www.GeorgiaDesignAwards.com

Dates To Remember

April 15, 2024 Submissions open  
July 15, 2024 Submissions deadline  
September 1, 2024 Finalists notified; Georgia Design Award tickets on sale  
December 5, 2024 Georgia Design Awards Gala  
December 5, 2024 Atlanta Magazine’s HOME Awards issue available

*All timeline dates are subject to change