

# ASIA ARCHITECTURE DESIGN AWARDS GUIDEBOOK

## WHO IS ELIGIBLE FOR 2023 ASIA ARCHITECTURE DESIGN AWARDS?

The Asia Architecture & Design Awards, abbreviated as AADA bestows an esteemed award in 30 categories of 6 disciplines through a judicious process by a prominent panel of judges. This inauguration occasion covets the recognition of excellence and creativity in a varied range of Architecture & Design masterpieces from regional to global scale.

## ELIGIBILITY

Project is located across Asia.

Completed project, uncompleted project, conceptual project are qualified to participate the awards.

Project may enter in more than 01 categories with separate entry fee applied.

Award-winning projects in other competitions are eligible to participate.

## TIMELINES AND DEADLINES

Official Open for Registration	1 December 2022
Early Entry Deadlines	28 February 2023
Standard Entry Deadlines	30 April 2023
Judging Process	April - June 2023
Winners Announcement	June 2023
AADA Winners' Gala Night in Singapore	TBA on July 2023

# WHAT ARE THE AWARD CATEGORIES?

## BEST ARCHITECTURE DESIGN

Rewarding the work of professional architects that exemplifies design excellence and architectural innovation whilst delivering meaningful social impact. For commercial or residential projects that break beyond the boundaries of the accepted and forge a new path in sustainable, ground-breaking constructions.

1	<b>BEST RESORT ARCHITECTURE DESIGN</b> For work encompassing all major aspects of a resort project that demonstrate creative flair and innovative sustainability approaches.
2	<b>BEST HOTEL ARCHITECTURE DESIGN</b> Recognizing hotel design projects which need to service commercial realities but also the personal needs and desires of guests.
3	<b>BEST F&amp;B ARCHITECTURE DESIGN</b> The creation of a specific space for the F&B industry that elevated an establishment far beyond what it prepares and serves.
4	<b>BEST LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE DESIGN</b> This award honors landscape design true to the vision that landscapes have an impact on the lives of those who interact with these spaces.
5	<b>BEST LEISURE &amp; WELLNESS ARCHITECTURE DESIGN</b> An award for exceptional design of spaces and facilities such as pools and recreation facilities that contribute significantly to a larger project.
6	<b>BEST RESIDENTIAL ARCHITECTURE DESIGN</b> The ultimate accolade for the design of a truly exceptional, innovative, and livable home.
7	<b>BEST COMMERCIAL BUILDING ARCHITECTURE DESIGN</b> An award to honor the greatest visionaries of the architectural world whose creations can become synonymous with a city for generations.

## BEST INTERIOR DESIGN

Honoring the innovative visions and remarkable works of interior designers. The very best interior design elevates a space to more than the sum of its parts and makes it something with true personality we want to live with.

8	<b>BEST RESORT INTERIOR DESIGN</b> For interior design which makes an indelible mark on a resort project that demonstrates creative flair and imbues a project with a distinctive personality.
9	<b>BEST HOTEL INTERIOR DESIGN</b> Recognizing the best interior design project which successfully balanced commercial realities with the personal needs and desires of guests.
10	<b>BEST F&amp;B INTERIOR DESIGN</b> This award honors an interior design project which weaves the commercial with the personal touch needed for the best hospitality designs.
11	<b>BEST RESIDENTIAL INTERIOR DESIGN</b> Perhaps one of the most personal and consequential design projects to undertake, this awards the very best example of this craft.
12	<b>BEST RETAIL INTERIOR DESIGN</b> The award goes to the creator of a space that best reflects a brand's personality and positioning, and communicates this clearly to the consumer.
13	<b>BEST LEISURE &amp; WELLNESS INTERIOR DESIGN</b> These spaces have functional, physical purposes, but also serve to soothe and refresh the mind, and this award honors its best example.
14	<b>BEST COMMERCIAL INTERIOR DESIGN</b> One of the greatest challenges the interior designer can face is making a significant space functional and appreciable, this awards the very best example of this.
15	<b>BEST WORKPLACE INTERIOR DESIGN</b> The award recognizes the best example of innovative workplace design that encourages collaboration, well-being, and productivity.

## BEST FURNITURE DESIGN

An indication and celebration of quality and perfection in Furniture Design. The best furniture combines both art and functionality, it is where we engage with physical objects but they are also deeply personal parts of our life.

16	<b>BEST HOME FURNITURE DESIGN</b> A demonstrated showcase of a portfolio of pieces that are both intimate and innovative, and which demonstrate a superior level of creative flair.
17	<b>BEST FURNITURE ACCESSORIES DESIGN</b> Even the best furniture can be improved with the right accessories and this award recognizes design that improves the function and beauty of furniture.
18	<b>BEST LIGHTING DESIGN</b> An award honoring the design of light pieces that not only illuminate spaces but are created and designed to make every day more beautiful and brighter.
19	<b>BEST BATHROOM FURNITURE &amp; SANITARY WARE DESIGN</b> Illustrating a consistently high combination of form and functionality in this highly-specialized design field.

## BEST FIRMS IN ARCHITECTURE DESIGN

Honoring the excellence of full-service architectural and landscaping firms, showcasing the phenomenal and undeniable impact of architecture in daily lives. In recognizing this sustained dedication to excellence, the Best Firms In Architecture award is the ultimate accolade for a superior body of work.

20	<b>2023 BEST FIRM IN CONSTRUCTION &amp; MATERIAL</b> This award recognizes the excellence a firm has demonstrated in the course of its existence across a varying portfolio of construction and material projects.
21	<b>BEST LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE DESIGN FIRM</b> Honoring the firm that has consistently demonstrated how landscapes can help redesign the way we live our lives for the better.
22	<b>BEST HOSPITALITY ARCHITECTURE DESIGN FIRM</b> Recognizing the firm that has a track record of weaving the commercial with the personal touch needed for the best hospitality designs.
23	<b>BEST PROPERTY DEVELOPMENT FIRM</b> An award for the organization that has proven it can take projects from inception to completion and transform landscapes, communities, and lives.

## BEST FIRMS IN INTERIOR DESIGN

A certification of excellence for interior design firms in providing outstanding, inspiring projects that are truly exemplary within the industry. The Best Firms in Interior Design award recognizes organizations that have consistently displayed this focus and attention to detail.

25	<b>BEST INTERIOR DESIGN FIRM</b> The award for the firm that has shown a consistent ability to focus on the big picture as much as the details, and work within context but still be true to their vision.
26	<b>BEST HOTEL &amp; RESORT INTERIOR DESIGN FIRM</b> Recognizing the best firm in a field where large projects need to service commercial realities but also the personal needs and desires of guests.
27	<b>BEST BOUTIQUE INTERIOR DESIGN FIRM</b> The award recognizes smaller firms who have performed above their perceived stature and limited resources to accomplish outstanding design results.

## BEST FIRMS IN FURNITURE MANUFACTURING & RETAILING

A category acknowledging the end-to-end process required for success in all facets of the furniture industry

28	<b>BEST FURNITURE MANUFACTURER</b> Recognizing the consistently high quality of the manufacturing process, attention to detail, and dedication to making superior designs a reality.
29	<b>BEST FURNITURE RETAILER</b> The award for the organization providing the best representation for designers and manufacturers and their connection to the end consumer.
30	<b>BEST INNOVATIVE FURNITURE DESIGN FIRM</b> An award honoring the demonstration of true innovation in design, sustainability and functionality for furniture.

# SCORING BOARD SYSTEM

The judging process evaluates each nomination based on 5 criteria:

## IDEA

How the project/ organization begins.  
How it achieves the origin of the idea.

## IMPACT

What impactful criterion that project/ organization has met or exceeded.  
How the project/ organization benefits the society.

## DIFFERENTIATION

What is the project/ organization “Unique Selling Points” (USPs)?  
How it can be a stand-out compared to the others in the same category.

## FUNCTION

How the project/ organization evokes unique and impressive spatial experiences to the owner.  
What is the usage of the project, how the project/ organization benefits the user / owner.

## INNOVATION

How the project was executed? / How the organization has been innovating over the years.  
What innovation was projected during the whole process.

# ONLINE REGISTRATION PROCESS

This part provides the step-by-step registration process for 2023 Asia Architecture Design Awards. By carefully preparing all documents needed, you can easily complete your submission within 5 minutes either online at <https://aadawards.com> or in email at [submit@aadawards.com](mailto:submit@aadawards.com).

## STEP 1: CREATE YOUR AADA ACCOUNT

In order to apply, applicants must have an account on the AADA website (<https://aadawards.com>)

- To sign up, click LOGIN/SIGN UP and select CREATE YOUR ACCOUNT.

If you already have an account, simply enter your Email and Password into the window to Sign in.

## STEP 2: COMPLETE YOUR PERSONAL INFORMATION

After clicking CREATE ACCOUNT, the website will launch a new window requesting the applicants to input further information. Specifically:

### Your Account

The applicant is expected to enter PERSONAL NAME, EMAIL, and a PASSWORD.

### Organization

Applicant must input the ORGANIZATION NAME, COUNTRY, POSTCODE, EMAIL, and a Facebook/Website address (if any)

Click Next to complete the account creation section.

**Note:** By clicking 'Next', the applicant consents to the TERMS and CONDITIONS of the Asian Architecture Awards 2023.

# ONLINE REGISTRATION PROCESS

This part provides the step-by-step registration process for 2023 Asia Architecture Design Awards. By carefully preparing all documents needed, you can easily complete your submission within 5 minutes either online at <https://aadawards.com> or in email at [submit@aadawards.com](mailto:submit@aadawards.com).

## STEP 3: SELECT YOUR AWARD CATEGORIES

Once an account has been created, the applicant will be immediately re-directed to the nomination process (**NOMINATE YOUR ENTRY**).

- Select the award category that the applicant wants to apply for (**Select your category**).
- There are 30 award categories in 6 main areas (**See award category**).
- It is possible for the applicant to submit for multiple awards at the same time, with each selection having a separate entry fee.

Click 'Payment' to complete the process.

## STEP 4: PAYMENT OFF FEES

After clicking 'PAY', the website will be directed to the third-party payment gateway to process the cost of entering the award.

### Entry Fees

180 USD for each nomination up until February 28th, 2023

200 USD for each nomination between March 1st and April 30th, 2023.

### Note:

Entries will not be accepted until the fee is paid

The invoice will be sent via email within 14 days of payment.

## STEP 5: COMPLETE YOUR ENTRY SUBMISSION

Upon successfully creation of AADA's account, you can log in to see your User Dashboard and complete your entry submission.

An AADA's User Dashboard enables you to review your submission process for each project and finish pending sections before officially submitting your entry.

### OVERALL SUBMISSION

This section enables you to access a summary board of your submissions with the process of each project.

### STATUS OVERVIEW

This section enables you to access a dashboard with percentage of completion for each Scoring board criteria for independent projects. You can review, edit or complete your submission.

### YOUR SUBMISSION

This section enables you to access a dashboard to complete your submission for each entered project.

(01)	<b>Your Entry Name</b>	Your project name.
(02)	<b>Location</b>	Select your location.
(03)	<b>Idea</b>	Provide an answer that is less than 300 words about How the project/ organisation begins, how it achieves the origin of the idea.
(04)	<b>Impact</b>	Provide an answer that is less than 300 words about What impactful criteria of that project/ organisation has met or exceeded, How the project/ organisation benefits the society.
(05)	<b>Differentiation</b>	Provide an answer that is less than 300 words about What are the project/ organisation USPs, how it can be a stand-out compared to the others in the same category.
(06)	<b>Function</b>	Provide an answer that is less than 300 words about What are the usages of the project, how the project/ organisation benefits the user/ owner.
(07)	<b>Innovation</b>	Provide an answer that is less than 300 words about How the project was executed / How the organisation innovates over the year, What the project/ what innovation was projected during the whole process.
(08)	<b>Designers</b>	Enter the name of designer or owner of organisation
(09)	<b>Manufacturer</b>	Enter the name of manufacturer
(10)	<b>Stakeholder/ Owner</b>	Enter the name of stakeholder/ owner or name of the organisation
(11)	<b>Your project photo gallery</b>	Upload a maximum of 10 photos credited to your project/ organisation. Images should be less than 5MB and only formats of PNG, JPG or JPEG are accepted.

# USAGE OF MEDIA MATERIALS

-All rights, including copyrights, as per legal guidelines are maintained by the rightful owner (architect, designer, business, etc.).

-AADA shall take the only right of using media materials for non-commercial use purposes, including; Across but not limited to all AADA's communication channels (in both print and digital), AADA's media partners' channels and for AADA Yearbook (in print and digital). AADA will fully credit the source of the information.

-Upon registration, participants acknowledge that the submitted images may be used by AADA in exhibitions, print and digital formats for promotional campaigns related to the AADA and Asia Awards Organization. Winners of the 2023 AADA understand that their award-winning materials shall be used by AADA for advertising and marketing initiatives in upcoming events.

-It is the responsibility of the participant to guarantee the legality of any content uploaded to AADA.

-Should AADA be presented with a copyright infringement complaint, we reserve the right to take down, remove, or un-publish the project without providing any prior notice or consent from the participant.

# FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

## REGISTRATION

- (1) **Do I need to submit only executed projects or can there be any projects at conceptual stage?**  
No. All projects are eligible to be nominated. Half-built or conceptual projects are qualified if they meet the mentioned criteria.
- (2) **Are the awards open for all?**  
Yes. The awards are open for all submissions, from independent professionals to architecture design firms.
- (3) **Can I enter one project into multiple categories?**  
Yes. Entering one project into multiple award categories increases the probability of receiving a prize. However, additional fee applies for different award categories entered.
- (4) **Can I submit multiple entries at one time?**  
Yes. Multiple entries are encouraged for any firms that conduct multi-disciplinary projects.
- (5) **Can I enter one project in multiple award categories?**  
Yes. One project can enter more than one award category, based on the qualified criteria that are mentioned on each award category. However, there is an additional fee for each additional category you enter.
- (6) **Is there any limit to the number of entries I can submit?**  
No. You can submit as many categories as you see fit to your project.
- (7) **Can I submit an award-winning project from other competitions?**  
Yes. AADA welcomes previous award-winning projects to enter the shortlist of 2023 AADA.
- (8) **How will I know whether my submission is completed or not?**  
An applicant may visit their Dashboard to review the current status of their submitted application.
- (9) **How will I know whether AADA receives my submission or not?**  
Upon completing your submission, the applicant will get a notification email from AADA validating the application.

# FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

## PAYMENT OF FEES

**(10) Are there any fees for registration?**

Every nomination for a chosen award category requires an entry fee.

180 USD for each nomination up until February 28th, 2023

200 USD for each nomination between March 1st and April 30th, 2023.

**(11) What are payment options for the submission fee?**

Paypal: You are directed to a third-party payment gateway to complete your payment of fees. Upon confirming your payment, you are granted to your AADA official account to complete the award registration form for each project enrolled.

Bank transfer: An alternative method of payment enables you to complete your payment of fees via wire transfer to Asia Awards Organization authorized bank account. Within 24 hours upon receipt of payment, you are granted to your AADA official account to complete the award registration form for each project enrolled.

**(12) Can I make changes to my entry category after processing payment?**

No. You can only make changes to project description upon finishing payment of fees. The entered category cannot be adjusted.

**(13) Can I cancel my payment and get a refund?**

Should you choose to withdraw your project, kindly email [hello@aadawards.com](mailto:hello@aadawards.com) for further instruction; However, the application fee will not be refunded.

**(14) Are all fees in USD?**

Yes. All fees are in USD.

## PROJECT QUALIFICATION

**(15) Who is the Judge?**

A selected panel of judges consists of 20 members from 5 countries with expertise in architecture design professionals, academic professors and social initiators.

Once registration has concluded, judge list will be revealed.

**(16) Can I receive a scoring board from judges?**

Yes. Individual feedback and scoring board are provided with an additional fee of USD 500 per entry.

**Are conceptual design acceptable?**

(17) Yes. It is acceptable.

# FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

## AWARDS

**(18) What do I get if I am qualified to be the winner of 2023 AADA?**

Each winner is awarded with a 2023 AADA's Winners' Kit, which includes:

An AADA trophy

An AADA Winner certificate

A 2023 AADA Hall of Fame yearbook.

All digital assets to be used on the winner's online platform: Badge, certificate, Hall of Fame yearbook.

**(19) How are the winners announced?**

All winners are going to be announced upon the completion of judging process in late June 2023. Winners will be announced online in AADA website and across social media platforms and also media partners channels.

**(20) Who is eligible to attend 2023 AADA Winners' Night?**

All winners are eligible to attend 2023 AADA Winners' Night. Each category winner receives an invitation to partake in the Winners' Night in Singapore.