

THE ABERDEEN SOCIETY OF ARCHITECTS

DESIGN AWARDS RULES + REGULATIONS

ELIGIBILITY

The format of the awards is envisaged that every building project, irrespective of size or type will be considered for an award, including: new build, regeneration, conservation, restoration, conversion, small works and interiors are all eligible.

All projects undertaken within the Aberdeen Chapter area (incorporating Aberdeen City + Shire and Moray (East) Council areas) are eligible. Projects can be designed by ANY registered Architect/Practice with exception of the Chapter Award (see criteria below).

Eligibility of buildings is open to new and previous submissions completed in the previous two years of the submission deadline with exception of the inaugural year of the awards which is extended for a period of 5 years (catch all).

ENTRY CRITERIA

Entries can be submitted by either the architect, client/commissioning organisation.

Multiple entries by the same architect/client are allowed in each or in separate categories.

Each entry should be accompanied by a completed Entry Form, (*multiple applications are allowed, additional forms to be available to download from www.aberdeenarchitects.org*) a maximum of 6 digital images (300dpi jpg format) or print copies and a brief description of the project (max. 200 words) to include information on the building and the design team members.

All supporting documentation to be clearly labelled with the name of the scheme and both the owners/clients and architects name and address.

Information to be submitted direct to awards@aberdeenarchitects.org or in hard copy/CD format to:

The Aberdeen Society of Architects, 23 College Bounds, Aberdeen, AB24 3DX
or any other address established at the outset of awards year.

Nominations are to be invited before the end of the calendar year, with a closing date for entries allowing sufficient time for preparation of the presentations.

CATEGORIES

- A** Public/Commercial
Any commercial, office, retail, industrial or other non-residential building.
- B** Health/Education + Leisure
Any healthcare, educational and leisure/sporting building.
- C** Residential
Including individual houses, residential developments, new-build/renovation, amenity housing, house extensions, conversions or innovative methods of layout of new housing developments.
- D** Conservation + Environmental Regeneration
Including landscape design, public amenities, restoration, conservation and environmental regeneration work demonstrating exemplary work of a high standard of architecture that makes a substantial contribution to the local environment with buildings/conversions/extensions that have been designed to fit into a Conservation Area or closely associated with an important Listed Building.
- E** Small Works
Any category of project where the contract sum does not exceed £250,000
- F** Chapter Award
Any Building designed by a registered ASA Chapter Architect/Practice within or out with the Chapter area.
'Anywhere in the World'
This award will be judged solely on photographs submitted.



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JUDGING

The assessment procedure is to be administered by the Chapter Council.

A two stage judging process with a local jury made up of Chapter Council members and invited guests/specialists will short-list nominations by means of submitted photographic and descriptive material, requirements prescribed on the Entry Forms.

Entries will be judged by category.

Short-listed buildings will thereafter be submitted to a judging panel, which it is intended will visit buildings to choose the recipients of awards or commendations.

A separate panel of judges to be organised by ASA, (*a full list to appear on the ASA website*); will be charged with assessing building projects which show innovation and design excellence, irrespective of size, type and whether new or adapted and consideration will be given to design aesthetics, effectiveness of function, detailing and sustainability.

Judging panel shall comprise of a minimum 4 persons to consist of representatives of: ASA (President), Community (lay person), RIAS and the profession (from out with Aberdeen Chapter)

All entries will be considered under the same criteria for judging, including, and not solely on design but showing a clear demonstration of the brief to which the architect has realised or even surpassed the clients requirements and building users; consideration of the building to its surroundings, response to site constraints, external appearance, finishes, detailing, workmanship, car parking and sustainability.

All entries will be considered for:

Best Building Award

Supreme award to which a separate prize will be awarded. Any building from the above categories, and;

Sustainability Award

To be judged by it demonstrating best use of sustainable construction and environmental considerations.

If the criteria for the RIAS Andrew Doolan Best Building in Scotland is met, the winning Best Building (Aberdeen Chapter) will be submitted by ASA into same as part of various RIAS initiatives to encourage good design in Scotland.

The ASA reserve the right not to grant an award.

The judges decision will be final.

WINNING ENTRIES

The prime function of the Awards is to acknowledge and publicise excellence in architecture within the Chapter.

The architect and client/commissioning organisation of each award winning project will be awarded certificates and the overall Best Building a specially commissioned prize.

Award winners and commendations will be announced at the annual ASA Dinner. All short listed entries, architects and clients, will be invited to the Awards Ceremony/Dinner at their own costs.

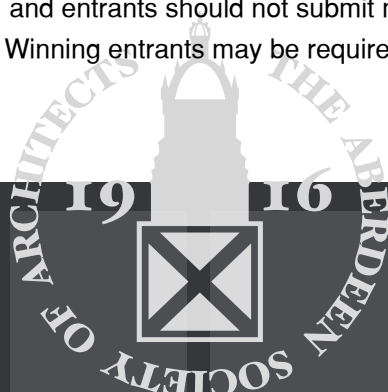
An annual exhibition of award winning schemes to be organised to tour the region and public participation is to be encouraged.

Publicity in local and national press is to be encouraged.

COPYRIGHT

By signing the Entry Form entrants confirm allowing the projects and submitted material to be used by the ASA in publicity features, exhibitions and on the ASA website and other publicity purposes. Copyright consent is presumed and entrants should not submit material to which they do not own copyright or an appropriate usage permission.

Winning entrants may be required, as requested; to provide further details as considered appropriate for use in above.



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