2019 Master Builders
REGIONAL BUILDING
AWARDS

Entries close
Monday, 4th March 2019
THE AWARDS
The Master Builders Regional Building Awards acknowledge and celebrate the outstanding achievements and high quality construction of members in the residential and commercial sector of the building industry.

ENTRY CRITERIA
• Open to members of the Master Builders Association of Victoria who are involved in either residential or commercial construction.
• Eligible entries are restricted to regional building projects that have been constructed by regionally based Master Builders members (members with reciprocal membership with Master Builders Association of Victoria are also eligible; however projects must not be more that 100km outside the Victorian border).
• Projects must have been completed to practical completion within the period 4th March 2017 to 4th March 2019.
• Projects entered previously may not be resubmitted.
• Entries must be complete (see entry requirements for details) at the time of closing date; otherwise entry will not be accepted.
• Builders and clients must be present during on-site inspection by judges.

CLOSING DATE FOR ENTRIES
The closing date for entries is COB Monday, 4th March 2019. Late entries will not be accepted.

ENTRY FEE
First Entry Only
$350 (includes one complimentary ticket to the Gala Awards Presentation Evening)
Additional Entries
$220 (does not include tickets to the Gala Awards Presentation Evening)

GALA AWARDS PRESENTATION EVENING
• North East  Albury  14th June 2019
• South West  Geelong  21st June 2019
• North West  Bendigo  28th June 2019
• South East  Traralgon  5th July 2019

Additional tickets are available for the Gala Awards Presentation Evening at $135 per person (GST inclusive), which includes a three course meal, beverages and special guest entertainment. One complimentary ticket is included in your first entry only. Invitations to Presentation Evenings will be forwarded in April 2019.

PHOTOGRAPHY ASSISTANCE
If you require assistance with professional photography advice, please contact Rita Beaini on (03) 9411 4570, Lisa Sacco on (03) 9411 4595 or email events@mbav.com.au

JUDGING CRITERIA
Entries will be assessed by the following criteria:

RESIDENTIAL PROJECTS
• Quality of construction
• Design
• Client relationship
• Execution of design
• Value for money
• Sustainability/Innovation

COMMERCIAL PROJECTS
• Quality of construction
• Project management
• Value for money
• Client relationship
• Innovation
• Site management

ON-SITE JUDGING
On-site judging will take place between 25th March and 26th April 2019.

A judging panel will inspect all projects entered. It is also important that relevant personnel (i.e. builder and client) attend the on-site inspection and will be able to answer any questions posed by the judges.

Entrants will receive at least one week’s notice of the inspection time and date. Should there be a period of time during the above judging dates that are not suitable for inspection to take place (ie. relevant personnel not available), please advise the Association by no later than 4th March 2019 so judging can be scheduled to accommodate this. Any changes to inspection dates requested after this date cannot be guaranteed. Please allow at least 45 minutes per residential site and 1 hour per commercial site inspection.

The judges’ decision is final and binding. If in the opinion of the judges the entries do not reach the quality standard for the competition, the judges and the Association, at their discretion may decide not to grant an award in that category. The judges may also at their discretion reclassify any entry. Should this occur, affected entrants will be notified in advance.

Please indicate on the entry the dates you are unavailable.

MEDIA COVERAGE
Media coverage of the Master Builders Regional Building Awards includes (but is not limited to) the Master Builders Construction Awards Magazine and Winning Homes Magazine, Master Builders website and Master Builders magazine.

Please be aware you may be contacted by the publishers of the Excellence in Construction Awards and Winning Homes magazine, News Corp, to discuss advertising opportunities for both publications.

Editorial comment on and photographic display of the projects entered will be at the discretion of the appropriate media and Master Builders Association of Victoria. Whilst it is the aim of the Association to feature the work of entrants accurately, there will be no responsibility taken for discrepancy, error, omission or misrepresentation of that entry in any media report.

Master Builders will also be promoting pre, during & post awards, on all of our social media channels.

KEY DATES
4th March Entries close 5pm
25th March and 26th April On-site judging
June - July Winners announced at the Awards Presentation Evening
ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

Please be aware that the emphasis will be based on the on-site inspection by a team of judges. However the following information is required to provide judges with information regarding the project prior to inspection. This information must accompany the entry. It is also imperative that both the builder and client (both of whom have extensive knowledge of the project) attend the on-site inspection.

Your completed entry will comprise of six components:

A. ONLINE ENTRY
A completed official online entry, including relevant authorisations, must be submitted at www.masterbuildersvic.awardsplatform.com

B. SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION
Additional information is required to support your online entry. Please include information on the following:

Residential Categories Criteria
1. Provide a brief history and description of your business including any unique or interesting facts about it
2. Scope of works
3. Quality of construction
4. Client relationship
5. Design
6. Execution of design
7. Value for money
8. Sustainability/Innovation
9. Principal contractors
10. Key personnel

Commercial Categories Criteria
1. Provide a brief history and description of your business including any unique or interesting facts about it
2. Scope of works
3. Quality of construction
4. Project management
5. Value for money
6. Innovation
7. Site management
8. Principal contractors
9. Key personnel

Best Sustainable Home / Project Criteria
Please contact Master Builders for the criteria and checklist that is required to enter in this category.

C. DIGITAL IMAGES
Images must be taken by a professional photographer. Entrants are responsible for the quality of all images. These images are used in the audiovisual presentation and media; so good quality material will better profile your entry. If providing ‘before’ shots, please ensure these are clearly identified as ‘before’ shots.

If entering into the Best Sustainable Home or Best Sustainable Project Categories, please include images that highlight the sustainable features.

Digital images must meet the following specifications -
1. Images must reflect the category entered.
2. Images must highlight any special features of the project as well as general shots.
3. A minimum of eight (8) images (mix of internal and external images)
4. Please supply landscape format rather than portrait.
5. Resolution of 300dpi with an image size of 21cm x 29cm (i.e. equates to A4 in size maximum) in JPEG file type only (please no PDF, PPT or TIFF file types).
6. No mobile phone images accepted.

Please note if your images are not of high quality you could be asked to resubmit them.

D. PLANS
Max A3 size. Include elevations/floor plan.

E. ENTRY FEE
$350 (first entry) $220 (additional entry)

F. CONTRACT AND PERMITS
Please provide a copy of the contract and final statement (signing page), Building Permit and Occupancy Permit/Certificate of Final Inspection.

In the instance that the builder is entering their own home or that of next of kin a warranty certificate will need to be supplied.

Not mandatory however you may supply additional information including; promotional brochures, client satisfaction letters, media articles or video/time lapse videos.

AWARD CATEGORIES
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BEST RENOVATION / ADDITION

- UNDER $200,000
- $300,000 - $500,000
- OVER $500,000

BEST DISPLAY HOME
To be eligible for this category you must build less than 100 homes in a particular region per year. Display Homes must be nominated in the price category that reflects the AS DISPLAY PRICE (not the base price) and must include ALL optional extras displayed.

- UNDER $250,000
- $350,000 - $500,000
- OVER $500,000

BEST VOLUME BUILDER DISPLAY HOME
To be eligible for this category you must build 100+ homes in a particular region per year. If you enter this category you are not eligible to enter into the Best Display Home Category. Display Homes must be nominated in the price category that reflects the AS DISPLAY PRICE (not the base price) and must include ALL optional extras displayed.

- UNDER $250,000
- $350,000 - $500,000
- OVER $500,000

BEST CUSTOM HOME

- UNDER $200,000
- $300,000 - $400,000
- $500,000 - $600,000
- $800,000 - $1M
- OVER $2M

BEST MULTI UNIT DEVELOPMENT
For multi unit and integrated housing developments, access by judges to a minimum of 2 units is required.

- UP TO 3 UNITS
- 4 TO 12 UNITS
- INTEGRATED HOUSING DEVELOPMENT

BEST SUSTAINABLE PROJECT **

COMMERCIAL AWARD CATEGORIES
EXCELLENCE IN CONSTRUCTION OF COMMERCIAL BUILDINGS
Projects include new construction, renovations, additions, refurbishments and high rise units/apartments.

- UNDER $1M
- $3M - $6M
- $1M - $3M
- OVER $6M

BEST SUSTAINABLE PROJECT **

JUDGES’ CHOICE AWARDS
Self nomination not applicable for the following categories

- REGIONAL RESIDENTIAL BUILDER OF THE YEAR*
- REGIONAL COMMERCIAL BUILDER OF THE YEAR*

Note: *Please note nominations not required for these categories. All entries will be automatically reviewed for these categories. ** If entering the Best Sustainable Home / Project Category contact Master Builders on (03) 9411 4570 to obtain a checklist to be completed with your submission.
FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Q. What are the Master Builders Building Excellence Awards?
A. The Master Builders Building Excellence Awards acknowledge and celebrate the outstanding achievements and high quality construction of Master Builders members. All awards culminate at respective presentation evenings for the Regional Building Awards, Excellence in Construction Awards & Excellence in Housing Awards.

Q. Who can enter the Master Builders Building Excellence Awards?
A. The awards are open to all Master Builders members within the commercial sector and/or the residential sector of the building industry. To be eligible for entry the project must have been completed within a two year period prior and have reached practical completion by the entry closing date.

Q. Why should I enter?
A. To gain a competitive edge. Past winners of these awards have gained a valuable self promotion tool. All entrants are showcased in the glossy awards magazine distributed after the presentations. These magazines are distributed to all Master Builders members. Winners are promoted on the Master Builders website for 12 months.

Q. How should I put my entry together?
A. Members are asked to register via the online awards platform (masterbuildersvic.awardsplatform.com) and follow the step by step process to submit all required information and images. Judging criteria and entry requirements can be viewed once you create your first entry. You can continue to make changes or update your submission right up until deadline. It really is just simply following the prompts once you have registered. It is important to note that all criteria, entry requirements and categories have remained the same as previous years. Judges will view your completed submissions online and will still conduct an inspection of the entered project. Master Builders staff are on hand if you require any assistance with the new entry process.

Q. Can I enter the same project as last year?
A. No, previous entries may not be resubmitted.

Q. What sort of photos are required to be submitted with my entry and when are they required?
A. Images of the project must be submitted at the time you submit your entry. Images are to be taken by a professional photographer and should include an assortment of internal and external shots. All images are to be landscape page layout. Images must be 300dpi in resolution in JPEG file type only.

Q. Do you have a photographer you can recommend?
A. Yes, we work closely with and can recommend a professional photographer. Please phone (03) 9411 4570 to request further information.

Q. What are the photos used for?
A. The images are used for a variety of purposes: media, newspaper and magazine print but most importantly these images are used within the audiovisual presentation of the awards night. Therefore good quality images will better profile your entry on the night and in various publications if used. Photos of your project are not viewed as part of the judging process.

Q. Are there finalists announced in each category?
A. No. Master Builders do not have finalists. All entries are eligible for an award unless previously advised that the entry does not meet the judges criteria.

Q. Are the winners notified before the Gala Awards Presentation Evening?
A. All winners are announced on the night during the award presentations. No winners are notified prior to this.

FURTHER INFORMATION

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HOW TO ENTER:

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