

MC&MCA 2019 EXCELLENCE AWARDS MASONRY DESIGN & CONSTRUCTION ENTRY GUIDELINES

Submission Deadline: August 31, 2018

To encourage and recognize excellence in masonry design and construction, the Minnesota Concrete & Masonry Contractors Association (MC&MCA) announces the 38th Annual Excellence Awards Contest for masonry projects completed before August 31, 2018. Through this program, the MC&MCA seeks to honor works of distinction by its members and to bring public attention to outstanding buildings and projects constructed of masonry materials.

PROJECT QUALIFICATIONS/ELIGIBILITY:

- Buildings must use masonry as the primary exterior material or it must be shown that masonry was the important element of construction throughout the project.
- All entries shall be completed projects and must exhibit the visual use of masonry materials (brick, concrete block, stone, glass block or marble) of which the masonry work has been done by a contractor member of the MC&MCA.
- The projects must be located in Minnesota and must be completed (presentable for judging) before August 31, 2018.

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS:

- Projects may be submitted for consideration into one category per year.
- Winning projects from previous years may be resubmitted into a new category in subsequent years.
- Projects must have been completed in the past 3 years.
- Projects must be completed including landscaping.

PHOTOGRAPHS

All entries must include ***two or more*** digital photographs of the project which address the judging criteria. Photos must highlight the area of work to be judged and reflect and address the issues outlined in the project description. Before and/or in-progress photos on restoration or poured concrete projects are highly recommended. Please follow the submission instructions outlined below. Photographs may be displayed at the Awards Banquet and in other MC&MCA initiatives.

CLASSIFICATIONS

- Two entries are needed in each classification to establish a category. The Excellence Awards Committee reserves the right to combine or subdivide categories based on the number of entries submitted.
- **Metro:** Please note that all projects located in Minnesota and within a 75 mile radius of 694 and 35W will be judged in person and considered in the categories listed below.
- **Greater Minnesota:** Entries outside of the 75 mile radius will be judged by photos submitted with the application. The photos should highlight the area of work to be judged and should capture features that address the judging criteria. These projects will be judged by the same team of two judges that judge the other entries in that category.

SECURITY CLEARANCE

If security clearance is required for judging, specific contact information must be supplied on the entry submission. The project will be eliminated if entry is refused.

CATEGORIES

- M1 **Masonry Retail**
Malls, shopping centers, vehicle dealerships
- M2 **Masonry Commercial**
Offices, warehouses, business buildings
- M3 **Masonry Municipal**
City buildings, county buildings, fire stations
- M4 **Masonry Schools**
K-12 school buildings, university campuses
- M5 **Masonry Healthcare**
Hospitals, clinics
- M6 **Masonry High Density Residential**
Condos, townhomes, apartments, with or without retail/office space
- M7 **Masonry Low Density Residential**
Single-family dwellings and duplexes
- M8 **Masonry Landscaping**
Courtyards, sidewalks, parks, pools and bridges
- M9 **Masonry Restoration**
Residential and commercial

JUDGING

The judging will be done by a team of two architects selected by the Excellence Awards Committee. Judging will include a site visit (metro area) or a photo review (Greater MN projects) to evaluate the craftsmanship, masonry difficulty and design of the project. Specific judging criteria are:

Craftsmanship Masonry Difficulty Design:

- pattern consistency - curved wall/wall shape - choice of materials
- mortar uniformity - wall pattern - innovation
- coursing - quality of blending
- tool jointing - pattern consistency

AWARDS

The winning project in each category will be announced and awarded at the 2019 MC&MCA Awards Banquet on Saturday, February 16, 2019. Winning companies will be informed of their success in order to allow them to invite the “winning team” to the awards banquet.

CONTEST SCHEDULE

Friday, August 31, 2018 - Submission entry deadline

Tuesday, September 18, 2018 - Judging of Projects

Saturday, February 16, 2019 - Presentation of Awards at Annual MC&MCA Awards Banquet

SUBMISSION INSTRUCTIONS

Projects can be submitted online using the following URL:

<https://capconn.wufoo.com/forms/2019-mcmca-masonry-awards/>

QUESTIONS

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