# HOWEST HOMEST DESIGN AWARDS

SUBMIT PROJECTS THROUGH JULY 31 AT MIDWESTHOME.COM/DESIGNAWARDS

# awards categories

# **BEST IN SHOW**

Single best project from all submissions

# COMMERCIAL DESIGN

Commercial building architecture Lobby Office Restaurants / bars Retail interior design (boutiques, stores, salons)

# DETAILS

Custom cabinet installation Custom-designed object Decorative glass & mirror Fireplace Interior / exterior lighting Interior use of stone Interior use of tile Millwork Stair & railing

# EXTERIORS

Conservatory / greenhouse Deck / patio Exterior use of color (paint, doors, shutters) Exterior use of stone / tile / concrete Residential landscape design Residential swimming pool

# HOME

Addition project (architecture) Apartment / loft / condo Contemporary architecture (up to 4,000 sq. ft.) Contemporary architecture (more than 4,000 sq. ft.) Historic renovation / restoration (50 years or older) Lakeside home Mulitgenerational design New Build (completed in 2023 or newer) Overall home Remodel – small space (up to 1,000 sq. ft.) Remodel – large space (1,001-2,499 sq. ft.) Remodel – whole home (more than 2,500 sq. ft.) Sustainable design (net zero, tiny home, electrified, EDUs, infill housing, etc.)

# HOME (cont'd)

Traditional architecture (up to 4,000 sq. ft.) Traditional architecture (more than 4,000 sq. ft.) Vacation home in Minnesota Vacation home outside of Minnesota

# INTERIORS

Bar Bath (up to 150 sq. ft.) Bath (more than 150 sq. ft.) Biophilic design Butler's pantry / scullery / back kitchen Children's room / play space Closet Contemporary dining room Contemporary foyer Contemporary interior design (more than one room) Contemporary living room / great room Contemporary primary suite Finished basement Garage Guest suite Kitchen (up to 200 sq. ft.) Kitchen (201-350 sq. ft.) Kitchen (351-450 sq. ft.) Kitchen (more than 450 sq. ft.) Laundry room / mud room Library / study / home office Porch / screen room / sunroom Powder room Specialty room (gym, music, craft, billiards, pet area, etc.) Traditional dining room Traditional foyer Traditional interior design (more than one room) Traditional living room / great room Traditional primary suite Use of art, antiques, or collection Use of color Wall treatment (special paint technique, wall covering, etc.) Wine room

# HOW TO ENTER

Begin by visiting MidwestHome.com/DesignAwards and creating or using an existing account for your organization. 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 11:59p.m. on July 31, 2024. Once you've entered all of your projects, use the "Submit and Pay" link to check out and finalize your submissions.

# **PROJECT IMAGES**

Each entry must be accompanied by at least one (1), 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.

You may enter as many projects as you wish. Please upload your images via the online submission form.

# DEADLINE

All entries must be submitted and paid for in full via the web form by 11:59p.m. on July 31, 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.

#### ADVERTISING OPPORTUNITY

50% of your entry fee will be rebated as a voucher toward the purchase of a print advertisement in the January/February 2025 Design Awards Commemorative issue of *Midwest Home* magazine.

For advertising opportunities, contact Lori Miller (612-371-5880 or Imiller@greenspring.com).

# **PHOTOGRAPHY TERMS**

Entrants must secure and submit royalty / reuse-free photos from their photographer before submitting images (to be used during the Midwest Home Design Awards Gala and published by Greenspring Media and its affiliates at no additional charge). All photography submitted may be published free of charge by Greenspring Media with free usage in print and online for one year from the announcement of the award winners at the Midwest Home Design Awards Gala. 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.

# **PROJECT CONCEPT STATEMENT / DESCRIPTION**

Please provide a typed overview (100-250 words) detailing significant aspects of the project. The statement should discuss design challenges, location (city name), design solutions, and other pertinent aspects, but must NOT mention firm name, 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 MidwestHome.com/DesignAwards.

#### **BEST IN SHOW**

All projects submitted will be entered into the Best in Show award category, which will be determined by judges' scoring.

#### JUDGING

An independent panel is selected to judge and judges are drawn from national media, respected academic institutions, and private practice, and include nationally recognized names from design and architecture along with *Midwest Home*'s editorial team. Their expertise reflects a broad spectrum of related professions, including architecture, building, remodeling, interior design, and landscape design. All judges' decisions are final.

#### ELIGIBILITY

Previous first-, second-, and third-place winners in the Midwest Home Design Awards are not eligible to enter in the same category in which the entry previously won. Entries that have won in or were submitted to competitions other than the Midwest Home Design Awards are allowed. The address of the project or company must be in the state of Minnesota, Wisconsin, Iowa, North Dakota, or South Dakota. Projects must have been completed within five years of July 31, 2024. *Midwest Home* reserves the right to disqualify any entries.

# **GUIDELINES / ADDITIONAL TERMS**

Only entrants will receive an award. If other companies, designers, and/or homeowners contributed to the project and would like to receive an award, duplicate awards may be purchased at an additional cost. Additional contributors will not be mentioned at the awards ceremony, on award, or in the magazine unless listed as a "co-entrant." Up to two co-entrants may be entered per entry. **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 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 will NOT receive an award if your entry is selected as a winner. Their names, however, may be featured in the *Midwest Home* magazine editorial.

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). Greenspring Media is not liable for lost, stolen, ineligible, misdirected, damaged, mutilated, or postage-due entries.

Winning submissions become the property of Greenspring Media. Greenspring Media retains legal/publishing rights through one year after publishing of the January/February 2024 *Midwest Home* magazine.

# **QUESTIONS?**

General Program Questions: Jordyn Tayloe | jtayloe@greenspring.com

Entry Portal Questions and Issues: Rick Krueger | rkrueger@greenspring.com

Printable entry packets are available at MidwestHome.com/DesignAwards.

# DATES TO REMEMBER

July 31, 2024 Submission and fee deadline

#### October 2024

Finalists notified and Midwest Home Design Awards Gala tickets on sale

# December 2, 2024

Midwest Home Design Awards Gala

#### January 2025

Midwest Home Design Awards Commemorative issue















MODERN DESIGN SHOWROOM

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