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Competition Rules

The overall purpose of this event is to honor and give local recognition to the Ottawa area designers and companies in the design, construction, fabrication and manufacturing of kitchen and bathrooms. This recognition of talent will expose these contributors to the general population and allow them to choose whom they may wish to do future projects with.

Process

Send completed Application Form to the Awards e-mail (designexcellenceawards@nkbaottawa.org), along with a copy of your payment, made on the NKBA Website www.nkbaottawa.org.

- Within a few days of the deadline for applications, you will receive your competitor DEA number via e-mail. Your entry will be identified by this number throughout the competition until the evening of the awards presentation. All of your PHOTOS, DRAWINGS and STATEMENT submitted **MUST** be labelled with this DEA number. Please retain this number as your confirmation of project entry. Do **NOT** place any company information on anything other than your application form.
- The submission will be checked by a non-competing member of the NKBA Ottawa Chapter to verify eligibility and package criteria completion.
- Deadline for **Application form** – Early Bird Deadline: December 31, 2019 @ 5:00 pm. Final Application Deadline: January 17, 2020 @ 5:00 pm. This submission is to include your Application + Payment + Category(s). You will receive your DEA number, which you will address all your PHOTOS, DRAWINGS and STATEMENTS within a few days after the Final Application Deadline.
- Deadline for **Project Submission** – February 7, 2020 @ 5:00 pm (electronic submission for: PHOTOS, DRAWINGS, STATEMENT & RELEASE DOCUMENTS.)
- All winning entries will be featured at the NKBA Ottawa Chapter Design Excellence Awards (DEA) on the evening of the Gala. Final purchase date for Gala tickets is April 17, 2020 at 5:00pm.

Eligibility, includes but not limited to:

- The competition is open to all NKBA members (individuals, individuals of companies, or companies).
- All entrants must be members in good standing at the time of application submission and throughout the duration of the competition. Any entrants found to not have a current membership will be required to bring their membership status up to date in order to continue in the competition and not be disqualified.
- Any Co-submissions must have a minimum of **ONE** current NKBA Ottawa Chapter Member. Any non NKBA member Co-Submitter(s) will be not be eligible for further (after current years' competition) submissions until they become an Ottawa Chapter NKBA Member.
- NKBA volunteers and committee members are **not** restricted from entering the competition.
- All entries, with the exception of the Creative Concept entries, must be sold, and installed in the Ottawa NKBA Membership Chapter Area/Region. All others will be disqualified. The original bill of sale



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for the project **may** be requested upon confirmation of final submission to verify category criteria eligibility.

- No company or designer information will be allowed on any entry documents except for the application form. Entries **will** be disqualified if information other than the contestant number is submitted on the entry material.
- All eligible projects must be completed between January 1, 2019 and December 31, 2019. All others will be disqualified.
- **There is a limit of three entries per designer (in total) and a limit of one entry per category.**
- Deadline for entries: Application Deadline: (Application, Payment, Category(ies))
 - Early Bird: December 31, 2019 @ 5:00 pm
 - Final Application Deadline: January 17, 2020 @ 5:00 pm
 - Project Submission Deadline February 7, 2020 @ 5:00 pm(electronic submission – Photos, Drawings, Statement & Release Documents)

Categories

** It will be up to the entrant to decide in which category their entry will fall. If you have an entry that you deem to be 'transitional' it will be up to you to decide which category to place it in.

1st & 2nd Place winners (except where noted) will be selected from the entries in each of the following categories:

- A. Best New Designer**
(Eligible designers have been working in the industry for 36 months or less)
- B. Creative Concept Kitchen**
(Submissions should be design concepts only and will be judged on creativity and innovation. There is no budget for these submissions)
- C. Creative Concept Bathroom**
(Submissions should be design concepts only and will be judged on creativity and innovation. There is no budget for these submissions)
- D. Kitchen – Classic/Traditional – Price Group A**
(\$20,000-\$39,999 without labour)
- E. Kitchen – Classic/Traditional – Price Group B**
(\$40,000-\$59,999 without labour)
- F. Kitchen – Classic/Traditional – Price Group C**
(\$60,000-\$79,999 without labour)
- G. Kitchen – Classic/Traditional – Price Group D**
(\$80,000+ without labour)

- H. **Kitchen – Contemporary/Modern – Price Group A**
(\$20,000-\$39,999 without labour)
- I. **Kitchen – Contemporary/Modern – Price Group B**
(\$40,000-\$59,999 without labour)
- J. **Kitchen – Contemporary/Modern – Price Group C**
(\$60,000-\$79,999 without labour)
- K. **Kitchen – Contemporary/Modern – Price Group D**
(\$80,000+ without labour)
- L. **Bathroom – Classic/Traditional – Price Group A**
(\$10,000-\$24,999 without labour)
- M. **Bathroom – Classic/Traditional – Price Group B**
(\$25,000-\$39,999 without labour)
- N. **Bathroom – Classic/Traditional – Price Group C**
(\$40,000+ without labour)
- O. **Bathroom – Contemporary/Modern – Price Group A**
(\$10,000-\$24,999 without labour)
- P. **Bathroom – Contemporary/Modern – Price Group B**
(\$25,000-\$39,999 without labour)
- Q. **Bathroom – Contemporary/Modern – Price Group C**
(\$40,000+ without labour)
- R. **Best Powder Room – Any Style**
- S. **“The LOOK for LESS” – Kitchen or Bathroom**
Kitchen - \$19,999.99 or less without labour. Bathroom - \$9,999.99 or less without labour. (Note: only one winner will be awarded for kitchen and one for bathroom in this category)
- T. **Best Transformation (Before & After) – Kitchen or Bathroom**
There will be 1st place prizes awarded for Kitchen & Bathroom.
- U. **Show Spaces**
(Note: only one winner will be awarded in the category)
- V. **Other Rooms**
(Note: only one winner will be awarded in this category)

Entry Fees

- Entry by a single designer:
 - Early Bird Rate due by December 31, 2019 @ 11:30pm - **\$50 per entry**
 - After December 31, 2019 @ 5:00pm until January 17, 2020 @ 5:00pm full application price will apply - **\$75 per entry**
- Co-submission entry:
 - Early Bird Rate due by December 31, 2019 @ 11:30pm - **\$75 per entry**



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- After December 31, 2019 @ 5:00pm until January 17, 2020 @ 5:00pm full application price will apply - **\$100 per entry**



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Judging

- Judges will be comprised of: 3-4 Industry Professionals. These professionals will NOT be entered into this year's competition. Judging will be completed by approximately March 27, 2020.
- Decisions of the judging panel are final.
- NKBA Ottawa reserves the right to not award an award in any category.
- If a judging member has had prior exposure to a photo of one of the entries, they will be obliged to recuse themselves from judging said entry. The results of the remaining judges will be final.

**** NOTE: If only one design is submitted in a category, the category will be eliminated and the entrance fee will be refunded. ****