

# 2016 EAA ANNUAL AWARDS FOR ARCHITECTURE

## INTRODUCTION

The Edinburgh Architectural Association Awards are intended to create a showcase for the architectural profession to demonstrate its skills and its contribution to the environment and the economy within the EAA Chapter Area.

Architects are invited to submit nominations for these Awards. Short-listed entries will be displayed, and the winners will be announced and presented with their awards, at a special presentation event in May 2016. An exhibition of all short-listed entries will also be held in the RIAS Joyce Deans Room at 15 Rutland Square.

Entries for the following award categories are invited:

- Building of the Year
- Regeneration/ Conservation
- Small Projects
- EAA Ambassador
- Wood Award

The criteria for each category are explained below.

## HOW TO ENTER:

- Decide which categories to enter.
- Complete an individual entry form for each project in each category.
- Attach them to your entries ensuring that they are in the format outlined in the General Rules of Entry.
- Enclose a cheque for the submission fee, made payable to the EAA.
- Return to: Stuart Bryce  
Edinburgh Architectural Association  
15 Rutland Square,  
Edinburgh EH1 2BE

**Entries to be submitted no later than 4pm Thursday 28th January 2016**

## **EAA AWARDS CRITERIA**

### **Category 1: Building of the Year**

A silver medal is given to acknowledge and publicise excellence in architecture for a completed project within the Chapter area. It may be a new building, an extension, an alteration or a conversion, and it must have been designed by a Chartered Architect. No cost constraints are placed on this award.

The Award is marked by the presentation of an engraved silver medal and accompanying Certificate. Commendation Certificates may also be awarded at the discretion of the judging panel. The award is made to the practice that carried out the commission.

Submitted projects for the Building of the Year Award must comply with the following eligibility criteria:

1. The building (new-build, extension, alteration or conversion) must have been completed and occupied within the calendar year 1 January to 31 December 2015.
2. The building must be located within the boundaries of the Edinburgh Chapter area.
3. The building must have been designed by a Chartered Architect, not necessarily a member of the EAA.
4. Any type or scale of building shall be considered for this Award.

Please note that the announcement of the winning project and presentation of the Building of the Year Award will take place at a special EAA Awards event. Should the judging panel decide to withhold the Award for any particular year then an announcement will be made to the short-listed practices prior to the scheduled presentation explaining the reasoning behind the decision.

## **EAA AWARDS CRITERIA**

### **Category 2: Regeneration / Conservation**

This Award complements the Building of the Year by making an annual award for a building within the Chapter area which has been sensitively and effectively restored, converted, regenerated, extended or refurbished by a Chartered Architect, thereby encouraging the successful integration of the old and the new. No cost constraints are placed on this award.

The Award is marked by the presentation of a Certificate. Commendation Certificates may also be awarded at the discretion of the judging panel. The award is made to the practice that carried out the commission.

Submitted projects for the Regeneration / Conservation Award must comply with the following eligibility criteria:

1. The building (new-build, extension or conversion) must have been completed and occupied within the calendar year 1 January to 31 December 2015.
2. The building must be located within the boundaries of the Edinburgh Chapter area.
3. The building must have been designed by a Chartered Architect, not necessarily a member of the EAA.
4. Any type or scale of building shall be considered for this Award.

Please note that the announcement of the winning project and presentation of the Regeneration/Conservation Award will take place at a special EAA Awards event. Should the judging panel decide to withhold the Award for any particular year then an announcement will be made to the short-listed practices prior to the scheduled presentation explaining the reasoning behind the decision.

## **EAA AWARDS CRITERIA**

### **Category 3: Small Projects**

The Small Projects Award is given to acknowledge and publicise excellence in architecture for a completed project within the chapter area with a contract sum of under £250,000. It may be a new building, an extension, an alteration or a conversion and it must have been designed by a Chartered Architect. It is hoped that this award will attract smaller practices to submit projects and gain recognition within the Chapter area and beyond.

The Award is marked by the presentation of a Certificate. Commendation Certificates may also be awarded at the discretion of the judging panel. The award is made to the practice that carried out the commission.

Submitted projects for the Small Projects Award must comply with the following eligibility criteria:

1. The building (new-build, extension, alteration or conversion) must have been completed and occupied within the calendar year 1 January to 31 December 2015.
2. The building must be located within the boundaries of the Edinburgh Chapter area.
3. The building must have been designed by a Chartered Architect, not necessarily a member of the EAA.
4. Any type of building shall be considered for this Award provided the contract sum is not more than £250,000.

Please note that the announcement of the winning project and presentation of the Small Projects Award will take place at a special EAA Awards event. Should the judging panel decide to withhold the award of the Small Projects Award for any particular year then an announcement will be made to the short-listed practices prior to the scheduled presentation explaining the reasoning behind the decision.

## **EAA AWARDS CRITERIA**

### **Category 4: EAA Ambassador Award**

The EAA Ambassador Award is to acknowledge and publicise excellence in architecture for a completed project outside the Chapter area. It may be a new building, an extension, an alteration or a conversion and it must have been designed by a Chartered Architect working within the EAA Chapter area. No cost constraints are placed on this award.

The Award is marked by the presentation of a Certificate. Commendation Certificates may also be awarded at the discretion of the judging panel. The award is made to the practice that carried out the commission.

Submitted projects for the Building of the Year Award must comply with the following eligibility criteria:

1. The building (new-build, extension, alteration or conversion) must have been completed and occupied within the calendar year 1 January to 31 December 2015.
2. The building must be located anywhere outside the boundaries of the EAA Chapter area.
3. The building must have been designed by a Chartered Architect who is a member of the EAA.
4. Any type or scale of building shall be considered for this Award.

Please note that the announcement of the winning project and presentation of the EAA Ambassador Award will take place at a special EAA Awards event. Should the judging panel decide to withhold the Award for any particular year then an announcement will be made to the short-listed practices prior to the scheduled presentation explaining the reasoning behind the decision.

## **EAA AWARDS CRITERIA**

### **Category 5: Wood Award**

The Forestry Commission Scotland and Wood for Good have combined to sponsor an award aimed at encouraging innovative and creative use of timber in new buildings in Scotland. The award seeks also to stimulate greater appreciation of home grown timber and its potential for use in construction, with added consideration given to thoughtful and appropriate use of different species. Technical competence is of course paramount and the design and detail of how the timber is used will be as much a part of the assessment criteria as imagination and overall architectural excellence. There is no restriction on building type or scale of project – from small to large and from domestic to commercial, the challenge is to show how suited the use of timber is to the development of new architecture in Scotland, and it must have been designed by a Chartered Architect working within the EAA Chapter area. No cost constraints are placed on this award.

The Award is marked by the presentation of a Certificate and a cash prize of £300. Commendation Certificates may also be awarded at the discretion of the judging panel. The award is made to the practice that carried out the commission.

Submitted projects for the Wood Award must comply with the following eligibility criteria:

1. The building (new-build, extension, alteration or conversion) must have been completed and occupied within the calendar year 1 January to 31 December 2015.
2. The building must be located anywhere within the boundaries of the EAA Chapter area.
3. The building must have been designed by a Chartered Architect, not necessarily a member of the EAA.
4. Any type or scale of building shall be considered for this Award.

Please note that the announcement of the winning project and presentation of the EAA Wood Award will take place at a special EAA Awards event. Should the judging panel decide to withhold the Award for any particular year then an announcement will be made to the short-listed practices prior to the scheduled presentation explaining the reasoning behind the decision.

## GENERAL RULES OF ENTRY

1. The Awards in categories 1, 2, 3 and 5 are open to any Chartered Architect (not necessarily a member of the Edinburgh Chapter) whose work has been completed in the Edinburgh Chapter Area. The Award in category 4 is awarded for a project outside the EAA Chapter area by a Chartered Architect working within the EAA Chapter Area.
2. The work must have been completed and occupied between 1 January 2015 and 31 December 2015.
3. Entrants must have their client's consent to enter the awards.
4. Entries must be received by 4pm on Tuesday 28th January 2016. All entries to be addressed to:  
Stuart Bryce, Edinburgh Architectural Association, 15 Rutland Square, Edinburgh EH1 2BE
5. Entries must be accompanied by a cheque made payable to EAA for the appropriate amount. Receipts will be issued on request. The entry fee is £25 per entry for Small Projects and £50 per entry for the Regeneration / Conservation, Building of the Year, EAA Ambassador and Wood Award categories.
6. Initial submissions should be as follows:  
  
Each project should be accompanied by a single file in pdf format, reproducible as a single A1 board in landscape or portrait format, to include drawings, images and text to adequately describe the project. File size must not exceed 15MB.  
  
Each submission should be presented on a clearly marked CD ROM or USB Stick with the name and description of content attached. Following short-listing the EAA will request A1 presentation boards of each project file initially submitted for exhibition purposes. High quality publication images may also be requested following short listing.
7. Entry material can be collected from EAA with prior arrangement by telephoning Stuart Bryce on 0131 229 7545.
8. Whilst due care will be taken with entries, the organisers do not accept any responsibility for loss or damage of materials submitted.
9. The organisers reserve the right to publish and/or exhibit the entries in relation to the promotion of the awards.
10. Signing the entry form constitutes unqualified acceptance of the rules. Any entries which are found to be in breach of the rules will be disqualified and any costs may be recovered by the EAA.