



Victorian Landscape Industry Awards

Entry Terms and Conditions

Overview

The Victorian Landscape Industry Awards are conducted by Landscaping Victoria Incorporated (ABN 41 356 208 034), trading as Landscaping Victoria (LV).

By submitting an entry, you confirm that you have read, understood, and accepted these terms and conditions.

Eligibility

Membership Requirement: All entrants must be paid members of Landscaping Victoria, except for the Apprentice of the Year category, which is open to Student Members.

Supplier of the Year: All Supplier & Partner Members are automatically entered. There is no entry fee for suppliers. Voting is conducted by Landscaping Victoria Members.

Project Ownership:

- Built project entries must be constructed by the Member business.
- Design project entries must be the original work of the Member business.
- Projects must be completed (not in progress).
- Projects must have been completed within five years of the entry deadline: **2 September 2025.**
- Entries previously awarded or commended in a category may not be re-entered in that same category. They may be entered into different categories if eligible.

Entry Rules

Each entry refers to one project in one category. A single project may be entered in multiple categories if the eligibility criteria are met.

Each entry attracts a separate entry fee.

A maximum of three entries per category is allowed per entrant.

An entry is only valid when:

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- The entry form and all required documentation are completed in full.
- The applicable entry fee is paid in full by **2 September 2025**.

Third-party collaborators (e.g., architects, designers, and construction) must be named where requested on the entry form.

Judging Process

Stage 1 – Video Submission

- Judges will select finalists based on the video and supporting material submitted in Stage 1.
- Each entry must contain one (1) video that addresses the key judging criteria of the award category being entered into. Where entrants have multiple videos to cover the judging criteria, they must be submitted as one video. Video files can easily be combined into one video in free applications such as Canva.
- Videos must be original and created by or for the entrant.
- Videos must be uploaded to Vimeo or YouTube (and set to private), and the link to view must be provided in your entry submission.
- Permissions must be secured from the property owner, videographer, and any individuals featured.
- Videos are strictly for judging purposes and will not be used for promotional material or the awards presentation.
- Judges will assess videos using the criteria in the official entry guidelines. Entries will not be judged on the production quality of the video.
- Finalists will be selected by the panel of judges as per the judging criteria and finalists will be selected for on-site judging.
- Landscaping Victoria reserves the right to disqualify any entry with incomplete, inaccessible, or inappropriate video submissions.

Stage 2 – On-Site Judging, Finalists Only

- Finalists will, where possible, be judged on-site by at least two judges.
- Projects more than 100 km outside metro Melbourne may be assessed via remote viewing facilitated by an independent third party.
- Entries will be referred to only by their suburb to protect property owners' privacy.
- Access to the site for judging must be arranged by the entrant within a suitable time frame. A judge will contact the entrant, or the nominated agent for the

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purposes of the inspection to arrange access. Site visits are strictly for assessment purposes.

Presentation and Materials

High-resolution digital photos must be submitted with each entry. Professional photography is strongly recommended as these images will be used in print and digital promotion of the awards.

All entry materials become the property of Landscaping Victoria and may be used to promote the Awards and LV. Photographer credits will be applied where provided.

Additional documentation may be requested of an entrant by judges where deemed necessary.

Collaborative Projects

If multiple LV Members collaborated on a project:

- Each business may submit the project to their applicable category independently.
- If both design and construction entries win their respective categories, and the project wins Landscape of the Year (LOTY), both Members will be acknowledged.
- If only one business submits the project, only that business will be acknowledged as the LOTY winner.

Note: Non-member collaborators will not receive formal recognition. However, they may be mentioned in promotional materials.

Disqualification and Withdrawal

Landscaping Victoria reserves the right to withdraw or merge categories due to low entry numbers or unsatisfactory entry quality.

Entries may be declared ineligible if:

- Membership has been suspended or cancelled.
- Entrant or subcontractor is found to be unlicensed or deregistered by the Victorian Building Authority.
- Entry fees remain unpaid.

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- Provided information is found to be false, misleading, or deficient.

Awards may be revoked post-announcement if any of the above conditions are discovered.

Entry fees are non-refundable unless a category is withdrawn by LV.

Awards and Judging Outcomes

Projects are judged against defined criteria, with minimum point thresholds required for Gold, Silver, or Bronze recognition.

Multiple awards at each level may be given if entries are of equal merit.

Not all categories will necessarily have winners at each award level.

Judging sheets can be requested after the program concludes on **28 November 2025**.

Gold winners are eligible for the Landscape of the Year award.

Nic van Diemen, Apprentice of the Year, and Supplier of the Year will receive an Award of Excellence trophy.

The judges' decision is final and no correspondence will be entered into.

Additional Terms

Entries selected to represent Victoria at the Champion of Champions national awards may be shared with Universal Media Co.

Tickets to the Awards Night (Friday, 28 November 2025) are non-refundable, regardless of outcome.

All entries must include a signed declaration of the property owner's permission.

LV accepts no responsibility for entries not received by LV for any reason.

By continuing with your entry, you acknowledge acceptance of these Terms & Conditions.

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