



# 2022 Industry Awards

**ENTRY INFORMATION  
& CATEGORIES**



# ABOUT THE AWARDS

The Landscaping Victoria Master Landscapers 'Victorian Landscape Awards' recognises excellence in maintenance, design and construction across both residential and commercial landscaping projects completed by members of Landscaping Victoria Master Landscapers.

Built upon the foundation of work done by Members many years ago to develop robust, fair, and reliable set of judging criteria, our Awards program is unique, and it is something we are immensely proud of, as unlike other Association awards, it is not a beauty pageant with winners determined by who has the best photos. Judges take the time to visit each and every site in person to experience the space, 'feeling' how it delivers on the brief and ensuring it reflects the documentation provided.

## WHY ENTER

There are many reasons to participate in the Awards program and most are not just about winning. By participating in the process you will meet great people and gain invaluable feedback, as well as support the industry body that supports you!

### INVEST IN YOURSELF & YOUR TEAM

Smart businesses use the process of entering and having their projects judged as a measuring stick to see where your business sits against others and take on the judges in-depth feedback to continually improve.

A commendation or a win will also reinforce to your staff that they are skilled at what they do, which is a great morale booster.

### CELEBRATE

The Awards Night is a time that we all come together as one industry to celebrate our successes and share in the joys of why we all do what we do.

Many members take their team to the Gala Dinner event to strengthen business culture and reward staff for their hard work.

### PROMOTION

Marketing your brand simply by entering provides a narrative to your clients that you are part of the industry, participating and celebrating excellence. You may not win a category, but even taking out a commendation allows you to market your business as 'award winning', providing instant, industry recognised credibility that you simply cannot buy.

Your project photos will feature in LVML's social media posts, newsletters, magazine and website and should you take out a win, press releases put out after the event often get picked up by external publications and newspapers, providing winners with free PR that can have an impact for years.

Commended, Highly Commended and winners all receive a framed certificate acknowledging their achievements, a 2022 Award logo to use on your business collateral and website, and of course the winner also receives a custom trophy by LUMP Sculpture Studios.

# IMPORTANT DATES

## ENTRIES OPEN:

MONDAY 11TH JULY 2022

## ENTRIES CLOSE:

FRIDAY 9TH SEPTEMBER 2022

NOTE: NO EXTENSIONS WILL BE MADE PAST THIS DATE  
Judging commences week of September 19th 2022

## AWARDS NIGHT:

SATURDAY 12TH NOVEMBER 2022

Melbourne Convention & Exhibition Centre.

[Click here to reserve your table of 10 or individual tickets](#)

## COST TO ENTER

All entries will be charged at flat rate of \$150 inc GST per submission, excluding Apprentice or Supplier of the Year which have no associated cost for entry.

Landscape of the Year Residential/Commercial cannot be entered and will be determined by the judges based on category winners.

## JUDGING

Judges are primarily senior members of the Association, and we also engage independent industry experts, all of whom volunteer their time in the interests of promoting professionalism in the industry. Every one of them take the task of judging very seriously and enjoy providing constructive feedback to entrants.

The judging is based on a project meeting the set criteria which allows for the fact that every project is unique.

The criteria are not secret – you can download them [here](#) so you know exactly what the judges are looking for.

## MENTOR PROGRAM

Senior Members of the Association with years of experience in both entering and judging are available as mentors to those entering the awards for the first time, or to previous entrants who would like further advice.

Please contact the office on 03 9566 7284 or email [admin@landscapingvictoria.com.au](mailto:admin@landscapingvictoria.com.au) to be connected with a mentor to assist you.

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# GENERAL AWARD RULES

Entrants are encouraged to submit projects that are at least 12 months old, to allow for mature planting. Projects must have been completed within five years of entry deadline (Sep 9th 2022), and projects that have previously won an award in the category may not be re-entered into the same category.

An entry consists of one project, which may be submitted into multiple categories subject to meeting the criteria. Entry Fees are applicable to each entry.

Where indicated for the categories via the specific entry form, third party businesses involved in the project such as architects, designers, or construction companies must be named.

Where possible, all entries are judged on-site by at least two judges. Entries based more than 100km outside the Melbourne metro area are eligible to enter, but subject to the availability of judges may require a visitation by an independent third party to facilitate a remote viewing by judges.

Landscaping Victoria Master Landscapers reserves the right to withdraw any category or to collapse two or more categories into one should insufficient entries be received, or the entries received do not meet minimum standards.

We understand that the timing of judging may not see gardens/plants at their best. The professionalism, experience and skill of our Judges enables them to visualise what a project will look like at its peak, however images taken at the height of season will further support each entry.

Winners will be announced at the 2022 Victorian Landscape Awards Gala Night on Saturday 12th November.

By completing an entry form, entrants must acknowledge and accept the full terms and conditions, as published on page 23 of this document.

This General Information also forms part of the terms and conditions of entry.

# ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

Click on the Name of the Award Category below to view the Entry Form for that category

LVML Award Category		Restrictions	Stage 1 Entry Requirements			
#	Name / Link to Entry Form		Entry form	Project Site Details & Access Instructions	Project Completion Date	Payment
1	<a href="#">Landscape Management &amp; Maintenance (Residential)</a>		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
2	<a href="#">Landscape Management &amp; Maintenance (Commercial)</a>		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
3	<a href="#">Hard Structures in the Landscape</a>	RBP certification	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
4	<a href="#">Landscape Design Under 100sqm</a>	Entrant must be author of the design	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
5	<a href="#">Landscape Design 100 - 400sqm</a>		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
6	<a href="#">Landscape Design over 400sqm</a>		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
7	<a href="#">Documented Landscape Design</a>		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
8	<a href="#">Softscapes in the Landscape</a>		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
9	<a href="#">The Nic van Diemen Award</a>		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
10	<a href="#">Rising Star</a>	Business must be less than 5 years old.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
11	<a href="#">Commercial Landscape Construction Under \$500K</a>	RBP Certification Proof of CoInvest payment to employees	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
12	<a href="#">Commercial Landscape Construction \$500 - \$1.5m</a>		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
13	<a href="#">Commercial Landscape Construction Over \$1.5m</a>		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
14	<a href="#">Pool in the Landscape - Design Award</a>		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
15	<a href="#">Pool in the Landscape - Construction Award</a>	RBP certification	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
16	<a href="#">Residential Landscape Construction Under \$30K</a>	RBP certification	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
17	<a href="#">Residential Landscape Construction \$30K - \$75K</a>		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
18	<a href="#">Residential Landscape Construction \$75 - \$150K</a>		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
19	<a href="#">Residential Landscape Construction \$150 - \$250K</a>		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
20	<a href="#">Residential Landscape Construction Over \$250K</a>		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
21	<a href="#">The Sustainable Environment</a>	RBP certification*	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
22	<a href="#">Feature in the Landscape (Grant Saltmarsh Memorial)</a>	Entrant must be author of the design RBP certification*	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
23	<a href="#">Supplier of the Year</a>	All Suppliers eligible for the Member Vote. See page 20 for details.				
24	<a href="#">Apprentice of the Year - Landscape Construction</a>	Must hold an active apprentice as at the 1st July, 2022	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
25	<a href="#">Apprentice of the Year - Horticulture / Parks &amp; Gardens</a>		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
26	Landscape of the Year - Residential		Unable to nominate for this award			
27	Landscape of the Year - Commercial		Unable to nominate for this award			

\*where applicable to the specific project



# ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

Stage 2 Supporting Document Uploads									
#	Maintenance Plans	OHS Plans	Co-invest Payment Overview	Specifications, Plans, Design Brief	Permits (if applicable)	Contract & variations	Images	Owner Declaration	Additional documents
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2	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
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23	All Suppliers eligible for the Member Vote. See page 20 for details.								
24									✓
25									✓
26	Best overall project from the winning entries across all categories								
27	Best overall project from the winning entries across all categories								

✓ if applicable to the entrant / see relevant page for further information

# LANDSCAPE MANAGEMENT & MAINTENANCE

The emphasis for this category is on the maintenance works undertaken in the landscape. Entries will be assessed on how well the contractor achieves the outcomes of the maintenance program contract, the management, monitoring and reporting procedures in place and the value of the program against the appearance and health of the garden.

## AWARD CATEGORIES

- Residential
- Commercial

## WHO CAN APPLY?

- Landscape Gardener Members\*
- Landscape Designer Members\*
- Landscape Builder (Residential) Members\*

\*Where that business offers maintenance as a service.

## RESTRICTIONS

In both categories, evidence\* must be supplied that entrant has been providing maintenance on site for at least 12 months at the time of judging.

\*Residential entries: this does not need to be in the form of a contract, but ideally some form of written documentation should be in use.

## WHAT YOU WILL BE JUDGED ON:

Overall professionalism of application, reporting systems, maintenance program, manual skills, health of plants, mulching techniques, weed management, chemical use, water efficiency, and overall success of the maintenance program.



2021 winner: Commercial Category: Super Gardens

## ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

**VIEW JUDGING CRITERIA**

Stage 1 Entry Requirements				Stage 2 Supporting Documentation Uploads								
Entry form	Project Site Details & Access Instructions	Project Completion Date	Payment	Maintenance Plans	OHS Plans	Co-invest Payment Overview	Specifications, Plans, Design Brief	Permits (if applicable)	Contract & variations	Images	Owner Declaration	Additional documents
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# HARD STRUCTURES IN THE LANDSCAPE

The emphasis for this category is on construction skill and methodology and is open to both Domestic and Commercial applications.

All visible hard surfaces within the job will fall under the assessment – it is not possible to isolate one single element (if required that single element can be entered into ‘Feature in the Landscape’.

## WHO CAN APPLY?

Landscape Builder Members\*  
(Residential or Commercial)

\*Where that business offers landscape construction as a service.

## RESTRICTIONS

**Residential entries** - entrant must hold Domestic RBP certification.

**Commercial entries** - entrant must hold Commercial RBP certification if required for the project.

## WHAT YOU WILL BE JUDGED ON:

Overall professionalism of application, construction set out 2D/3D, material selection, gaps and joins, cuts, control joints, drainage, degree of difficulty



2021 winner: Nature's Best Landscapes

## ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

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# LANDSCAPE DESIGN

The emphasis is on design and should never be confused with the quality of construction, although this will have some influence on how the design is graded.

## AWARD CATEGORIES

- under 100m<sup>2</sup>
- 100m<sup>2</sup> - 400m<sup>2</sup>
- over 400m<sup>2</sup>

## WHO CAN APPLY?

Landscape Designer Members\*  
Landscape Builder (Residential or Commercial) Members\*

\*Where that business offers design services.

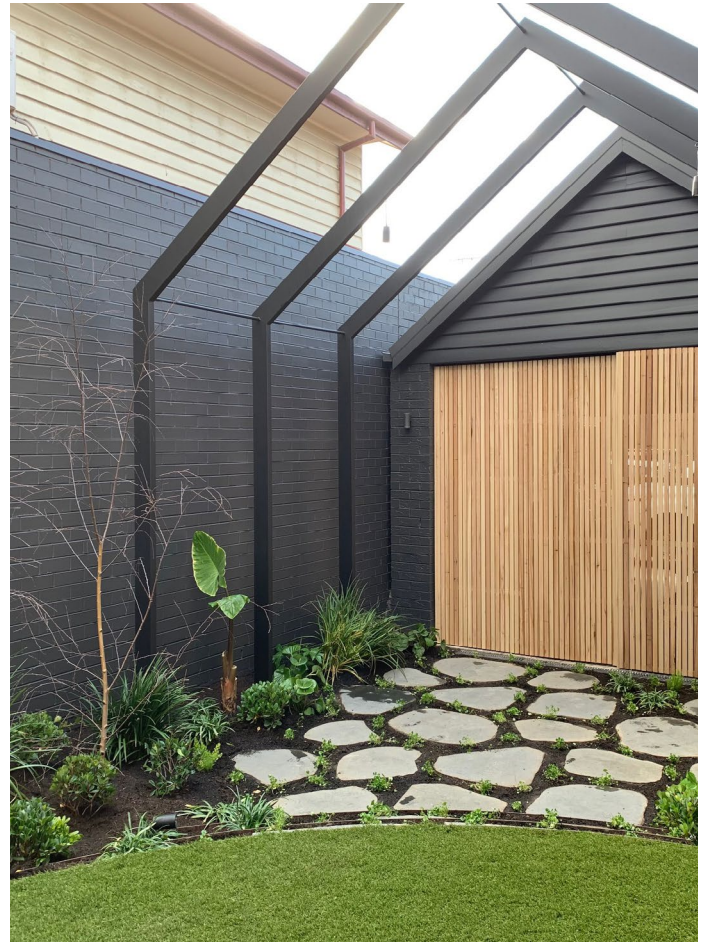
## RESTRICTIONS

Entrant must be the author of the design. Residential applications are eligible for entry from small space courtyards/roof gardens to acreage, and Commercial applications executed in any public space relevant to the specific size category.

Submitted plans MUST include a drawing that shows property size, garden size etc. to establish it is in the right (sized) category.

## WHAT YOU WILL BE JUDGED ON:

Overall professionalism of application, quality of graphic communication and specification, responsiveness to client brief, hard surface design, plant design, design aesthetic (including context, theme, complexity, set out, material selection and overall impact), design function (including site movement, and use of zones).



2021 winner for Design under 100sqm: Normark Landscapes

## ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

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✓	✓	✓	✓				✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓



# DOCUMENTED LANDSCAPE DESIGN

The emphasis is on design documentation only. This category is for real life design projects based on real client briefs that have been prepared by the entrant, but not necessarily built (for reasons such as: client did not proceed with the build, the plans will not be built for some time, or it is a staged project etc.)

## WHO CAN APPLY?

- Landscape Designer Members\*
- Landscape Builder (Residential) Members\*
- \*Where that business offers design services..

## RESTRICTIONS

Entrant must be the author of the design. Residential applications are eligible for entry from small space courtyards/roof gardens to acreage, and Commercial applications executed in any public space relevant to the specific size category.

A Design Agreement/Contract MUST be included in the entry documentation, as must site photos (or video) illustrating the existing site and its structures. Each entry will be judged on design practices only, with no reference to construction or built works.

## WHAT YOU WILL BE JUDGED ON:

Overall professionalism of application, quality of graphic communication and specification, responsiveness to client brief, hard surface design, plant design, design aesthetic (including context, theme, complexity, set out, material selection and styling options), design function (including site movement, and use of zones).

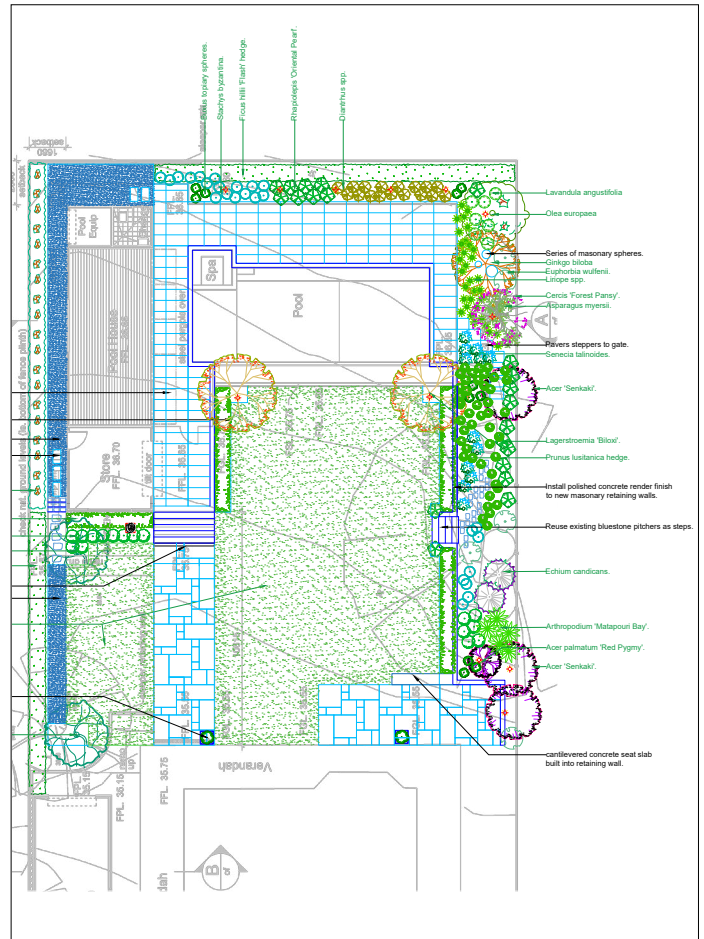


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## ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

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# SOFTSCAPING IN THE LANDSCAPE

This category is for softscaping incorporating both design (or planting plans) and installation. Some hard elements may still be present in the project however the emphasis is on the softscaping and the creative use of plants.

## WHO CAN APPLY?

- Landscape Gardener Members\*
- Landscape Designer Members\*
- Landscape Builder (Residential or Commercial) Members\*

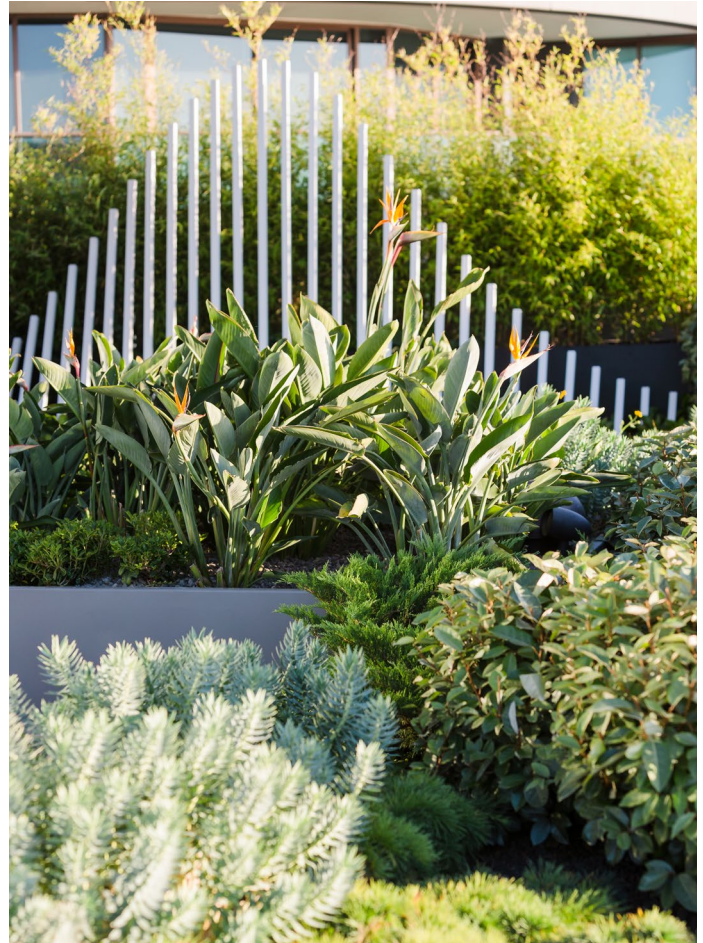
\*Where that business offers soft landscape as a service.

## RESTRICTIONS

The entrant must be the author/specifier/planner of the softscape design (and may also be the installer of the project.)

## WHAT YOU WILL BE JUDGED ON:

Overall professionalism of application, plant scale, plant selection, planting techniques, overall impact, and design delivery (including context, theme, complexity, set out, material selection).



2021 winner Lisa Ellis Gardens

## ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

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CRITERIA**

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✓	✓	✓	✓				✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓



# THE NIC VAN DIEMEN AWARD

This award is an open category for Members who have been with Landscaping Victoria for less than five years, and are first-time entrants to the awards program.

The award will be bestowed upon an entrant whose efforts in delivering their project embodies the Association values of Quality, Pride and Professionalism.

## WHO CAN APPLY?

- Landscape Designer Members
- Landscape Builder (Residential or Commercial) Members
- Landscape Gardener Members

## RESTRICTIONS

This is an Open category. There is no size restriction, no dollar restriction or category restriction.

If applicable however, building permits must be provided where required within the parameters of the project.

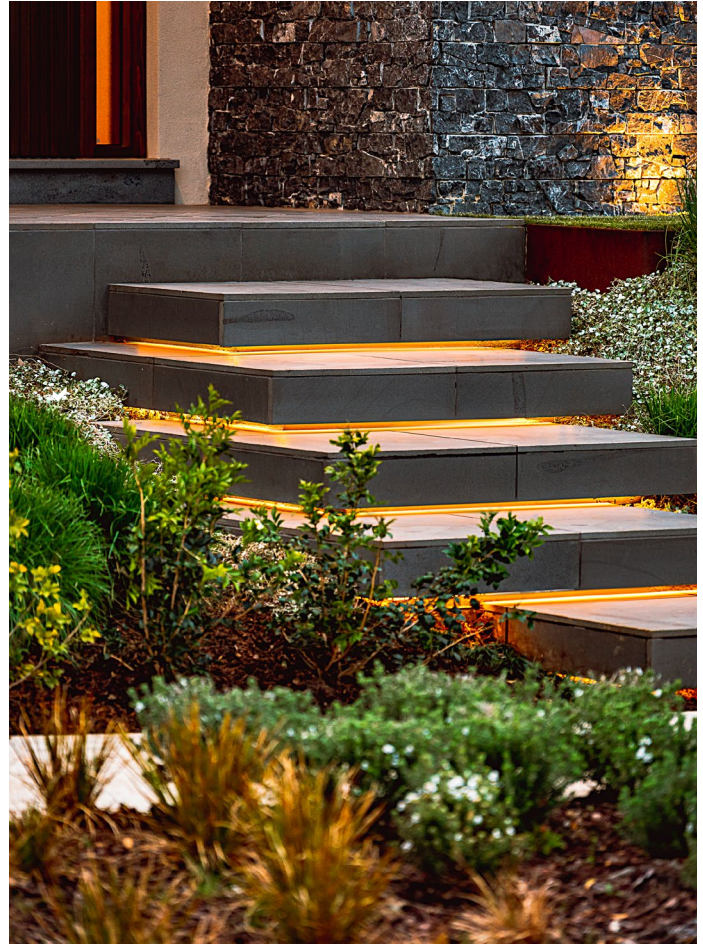
## WHAT YOU WILL BE JUDGED ON:

**All entries** - Overall professionalism of application, and personal / professional development.

**Design Entries** - Quality of graphic communication and specification, creative response of design, hard surface & plant design, context & theme, complexity, overall impact of plants, material selection. site movement, use of zones.

**Construction Entries** - Set out 2D/3D, material selection, gaps & joins, cuts, control joints, drainage, degree of difficulty, soil prep, quality of stock.

**Maintenance/Softscaping Entries** - Horticultural skills, plant scale 2D/3D, plant selection, planting techniques, soil prep, mulching techniques.



2021 Winner: PATH Design Studio

## ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

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✓ if applicable to the entrant

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✓	✓	✓	✓	✓			✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓

## RISING STAR

This award identifies an up and coming business whose operation reflects the qualities and values of the Association of Quality, Pride & Professionalism.

Applicants will be assessed on professional skills, client liaison skills, business acumen and innovation, and their level of passion for the industry.

### WHO CAN APPLY?

Landscape Gardener Members  
Landscape Designer Members  
Landscape Builder (Residential or Commercial) Members  
Pool Builder Members

### RESTRICTIONS

Business must be less than 5 years old (Business Registration Certificate must be provided). The entrant must seek client permission prior to submitting projects for this category as Judges will want to speak to clients as part of the assessment process.

### WHAT YOU WILL BE JUDGED ON:

The assessment will take the form of an inspection of three (3) nominated projects or designs, and client references. Entrants will then be invited to attend an interview where judges review the business plan, and discuss the entrants industry insight, innovation and vision. Where a business has more than one director or partner, all will be asked to attend the interview. Additional contribution to the industry will also be taken into account.



2021 winner: Matt Butterworth, Butterworth Landscapes

## ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

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✓	✓	✓	✓				✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓



# COMMERCIAL LANDSCAPE CONSTRUCTION

The emphasis is on construction and should never be confused with the integrity and success of the design, although this will have some influence on how the project is graded.

## AWARD CATEGORIES

- under \$500,000
- \$500,000 to \$1,500,000
- over \$1,500,000

## WHO CAN APPLY?

Landscape Builder (Commercial) Members

## RESTRICTIONS

Business must hold RBP certification if required for the project entry.

Entrant must provide proof of CoInvest payment to employees.

## WHAT YOU WILL BE JUDGED ON:

Overall professionalism of application, contractual obligations, overall impression, construction set out 2D and 3D, material quality, gaps and joints, cuts, control joints, drainage, degree of difficulty, soil preparation, and quality of stock.



2021 Winner for under 500k category:  
Landstruct Landscape Construction

## ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

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✓	✓	✓	✓			✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓

## POOL IN THE LANDSCAPE

Two separate awards are available. Subject to the entrant profile, the emphasis is on construction or design. The integrity and success of the design will have an impact on the successful construction and vice versa, therefore each is integral to how the project is graded.

### AWARD CATEGORIES

- Best Pool Design
- Best Pool Construction

### WHO CAN APPLY?

#### Design Award

Landscape Designer Members

Landscape Builder (Residential or Commercial) Members\*

\*Where that business offers design services

#### Construction Award

Pool Builder Members

Landscape Builder (Residential or Commercial) Members\*

\*Where the business holds a current DBL in swimming pools & spas.

### RESTRICTIONS

Construction Business must hold RBP certification as a Pool Builder to enter this category.

### WHAT YOU WILL BE JUDGED ON:

**Design:** Overall professionalism of application, quality of graphic representation and specification, design development (including responsiveness to brief, response of design, set out 3D), design aesthetics (including context, degree of difficulty, equipment location, environmental, lighting and external finishes.)

**Construction:** Overall professionalism of application, set out, material quality, interior finish, internal fit-off, equipment installation, equipment sizing and performance, degree of difficulty, compliance, environmental, lighting, and external finishes.



2021 Design winner: King's Gardens & Pools

### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

**VIEW JUDGING CRITERIA DESIGN**

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Stage 1 Entry Requirements				Stage 2 Supporting Documentation Uploads								
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# RESIDENTIAL LANDSCAPE CONSTRUCTION

The emphasis is on construction and should never be confused with the integrity and success of the design, although this will have some influence on how the project is graded. Projects must display exceptional trade skills in execution.

## AWARD CATEGORIES

- under \$30K
- \$40K - \$75K
- \$75K - \$150K
- \$150K - \$250K
- over \$250K

## WHO CAN APPLY?

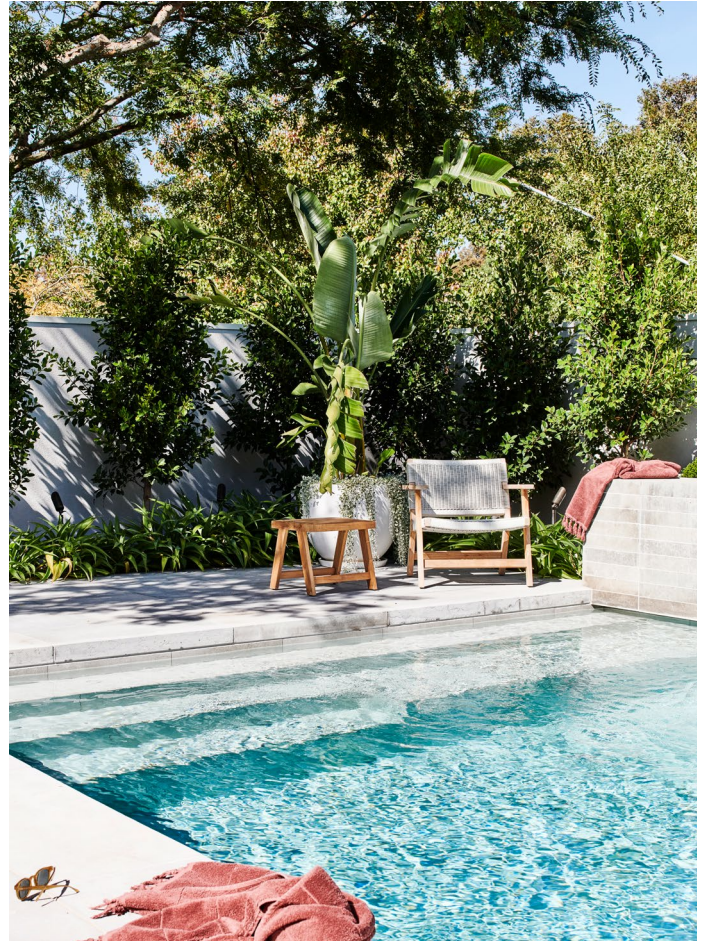
Landscape Builder (Residential) Members

## RESTRICTIONS

Business must hold RBP certification to enter this category.

## WHAT YOU WILL BE JUDGED ON:

Overall professionalism of application, set out 2D/3D, material selection, gaps and joins, cuts, control joints, drainage, soil preparation, plant selection and degree of difficulty.



2021 Winner for over \$250K category:  
Landart Landscape Design & Construction

## ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

[VIEW JUDGING CRITERIA](#)

Stage 1 Entry Requirements				Stage 2 Supporting Documentation Uploads								
Entry form	Project Site Details & Access Instructions	Project Completion Date	Payment	Maintenance Plans	OHS Plans	Co-invest Payment Overview	Specifications, Plans, Design Brief	Permits (if applicable)	Contract & variations	Images	Owner Declaration	Additional documents
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# THE SUSTAINABLE LANDSCAPE

Consideration should be given to evidence of sustainability practices across the entire project from design consideration, material selection and work procedures.

## WHO CAN APPLY?

- Landscape Gardener Members
- Landscape Designer Members
- Landscape Builder (Residential) Members
- Landscape Builder (Commercial) Members

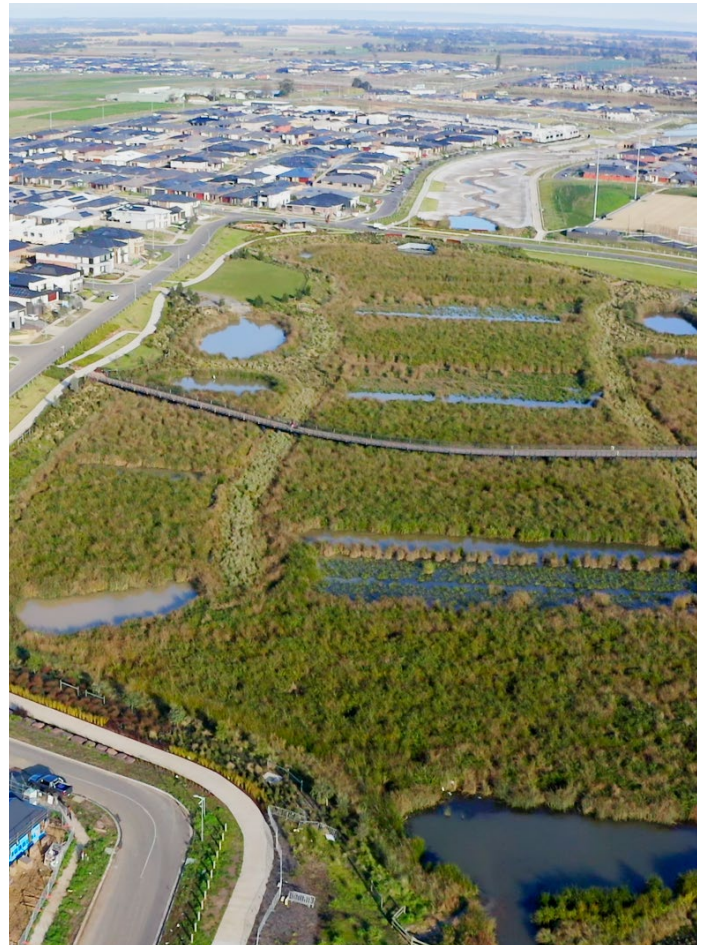
## RESTRICTIONS

Business must hold RBP certification if the construction of the landscape requires a Building Permit.

## WHAT YOU WILL BE JUDGED ON:

Overall professionalism of application, water sensitive urban design, ecology and biodiversity, waste prevention and minimisation, plant selection, construction materials and construction practice, maintenance, degree of difficulty.

Social, Economic and Energy input considerations should also feature strongly in the winning project.



2021 winner: Australian Ecosystems

## ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

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## FEATURE IN THE LANDSCAPE (THE GRANT SALTMARSH MEMORIAL AWARD)

Whether it is artistic, unique, appropriate or juxtaposed, the Feature must hold a strong sense of presence within its surrounding environment and will be judged as to how well it serves as a keystone to the entire project.

Judging of the Feature is not about the actual construction of the feature as it may have been fabricated / constructed offsite, it is the design solution that is the primary focus and how well it has been achieved.

### WHO CAN APPLY?

Landscape Designer Members  
Landscape Builder (Residential or Commercial) Members\*

\*Where that business offers design services

### RESTRICTIONS

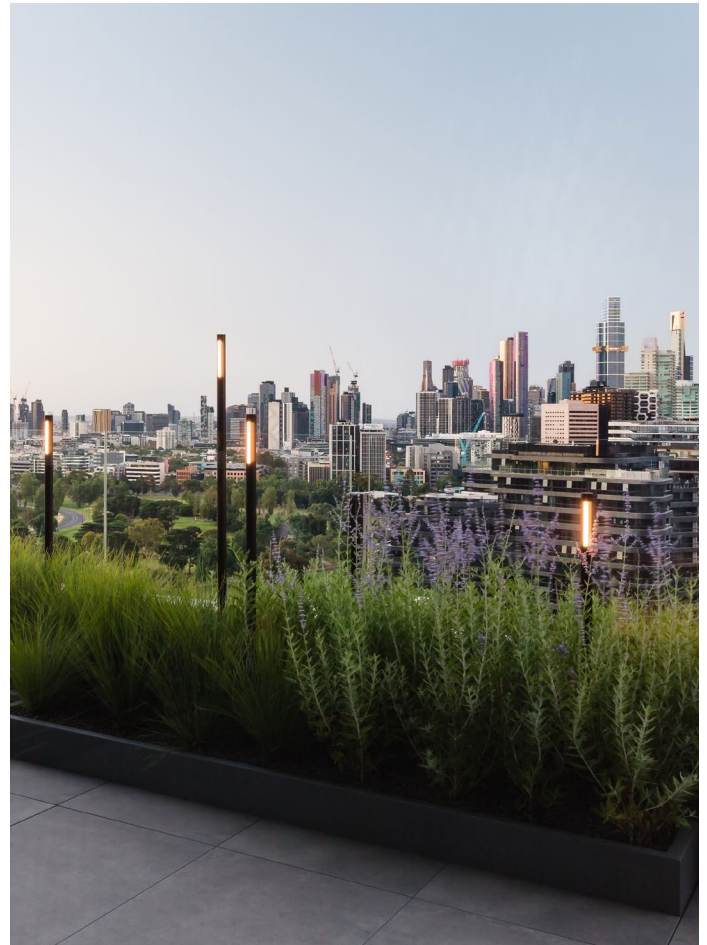
The entrant MUST be the author of the design to enter, or the author/builder.

Business must hold RBP certification if the construction of the feature requires a Building Permit.

A whole landscape is not eligible to be considered a 'feature'. The feature must account for less than 50% of the overall landscape.

### WHAT YOU WILL BE JUDGED ON:

Overall professionalism of application, appropriateness of feature, setting of feature, installation, theme, originality, and the success of the feature within the landscape.



2021 Winner: 'Lightning Rod' project, Lisa Ellis Gardens

## ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

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## SUPPLIER OF THE YEAR

This award is a great way to recognise and reward good business practice, and acknowledge the support that our Supplier Members provide to the industry.

All Supplier Members are eligible, and all other Membership categories are invited to participate in a vote for the suppliers they feel best meet the criteria.

Six Finalists are announced with one business being crowned Supplier of the Year at the Gala Night.

The businesses should have demonstrated exemplary business practice in the areas of:

- Customer service excellence
- Quality products and product knowledge
- Effective communication
- Efficient point of sale and after sale service

### WHO CAN APPLY?

Supplier Members and Industry Partners

### RESTRICTIONS

Voting is only open to LVML Members, not general clientele of the Supplier businesses

### WHAT YOU WILL BE JUDGED ON:

Member votes determine the winner of this category. Voting is open to all members of Landscaping Victoria Master Landscapers, and takes place in the form of an online Voting poll with a 3, 2, 1 Brownlow-style system.



*2021 winner: Smart Water*



# APPRENTICE OF THE YEAR

This award recognises the outstanding achievements of an individual in an area critical to the ongoing success of the industry.

## AWARD CATEGORIES

- Landscape Construction Apprentices
- Horticulture or Parks & Gardens or Nursery Apprentices

## WHO CAN APPLY?

Open to apprentices who are employed by Landscaping Victoria Master Landscapers Members.

This can include all apprenticeship types, including construction, horticulture, nursery, and parks & gardens.

## RESTRICTIONS

Nominee must hold an active apprentice as at the 1st of July, 2022.

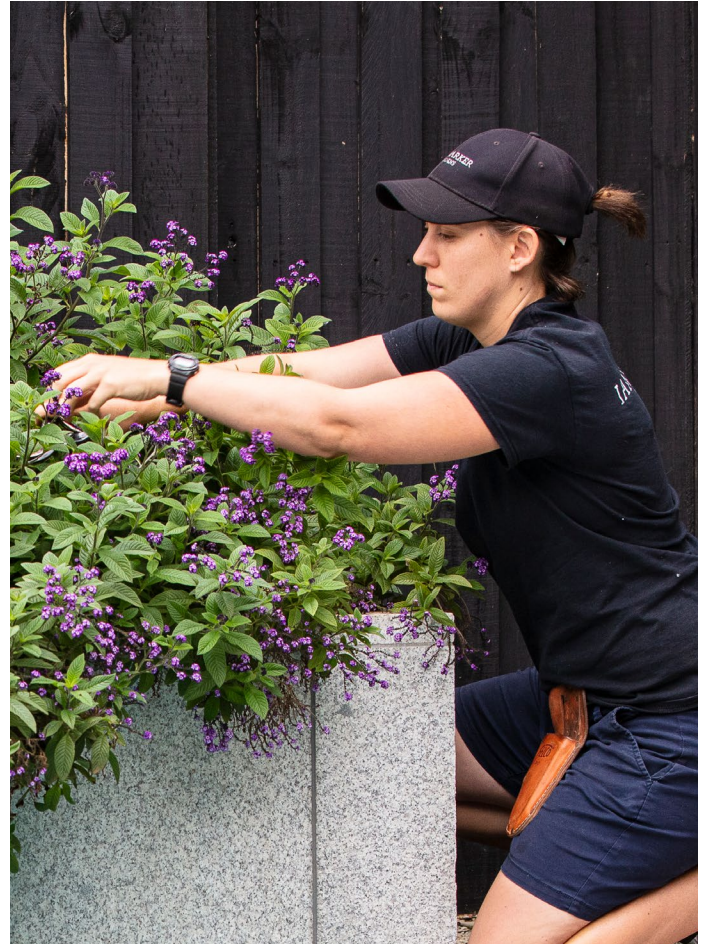
Previous winners of this Award are not eligible to be nominated. Previous entrants who did NOT win are eligible for entry, pursuant to still being an active apprentice as at 1st July 2022.

## WHAT YOU WILL BE JUDGED ON:

Apprentices nominated by their employers are judged on their work skills, academic grades, attitude to work, and professional approach.

Both the employer and the student's TAFE teacher are asked to provide input to the application assessment.

Please note there is no entry cost for nominations for Apprentice of the Year.



2021 Winner: Rachel Kellar, Ian Barker Gardens

## ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

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## LANDSCAPE OF THE YEAR RESIDENTIAL AND COMMERCIAL

Two awards will be presented, one for a Residential project and the other for a Commercial project.

Each will be deemed the outright winner in their class, receiving the title of Landscape of the Year - Residential, or Landscape of the Year - Commercial.

Each award will be presented to the best overall project from the winning entries across all categories.

It is not a category you can nominate to enter into - your project must be entered into other categories and have taken out a win in at least one of them to be shortlisted by the judges for consideration for Landscape of the Year.

Further details on eligibility and recognition of parties involved in a Landscape of the Year project can be found in the Terms & Conditions.

### FRONT COVER



2021 Landscape of the Year - Residential  
Lisa Ellis Gardens

### BACK COVER



2021 Landscape of the Year - Commercial  
Warrandale Industries



# TERMS AND CONDITIONS

The Victorian Landscape Awards are conducted by Landscaping Victoria Incorporated (ABN 41 356 208 034) trading as Landscaping Victoria Master Landscapers (LVML).

By entering, you acknowledge and accept these terms and conditions, and General information as published on page 5 of this document.

For all award categories, entrants must hold full membership with Landscaping Victoria Master Landscapers, with the exclusion of Apprentice of the Year which is open to Student Members.

Provisional Members are not eligible to enter any Award category.

All Supplier Members of LVML are entered into the Supplier of the Year category, with all other member categories called to vote for their preferred suppliers. There is no entry fee to Suppliers.

Built entries must be the work of the Member business. Design entries must be the original work of the Member business.

Each entry must be a complete project and must have been completed within five years of entry deadline (Sep 9th 2022).

Projects that have previously won an award in the category may not be re-entered into the same category. The project may be entered into other categories however.

A project may be entered in several different categories, providing the criteria has been met as required for each award category.

There is a limit of three entries per entrant, per category.

The entry and supporting documents must be completed in full and payment of the entry fee (where applicable) must be finalised for the entry to be eligible.

LVML accepts no responsibility for entries not being received by LVML for any reason.

Additional documentation from an entrant may be requested as needed by the judges.

Entrants may not enter their personal property into any category.

Permission to enter a project must be obtained by the property owner, with a signed declaration forming part of the entry.

All entries will only be identified and referred to by the project suburb to preserve owner privacy. Landscaping Victoria Master Landscapers requests that the Award Entrant (i.e. contractor or designer) be present for the judge's assessment. The owner may nominate the contractor / designer as their agent for the purposes of inspection to maintain anonymity, if they so wish.

It is the responsibility of the entrant to ensure access to the project, within a suitable time frame, for the purpose of on-site judging. A judge will contact the named person in the Entry Form to arrange a site visit. Site visits will be conducted for the sole purpose of gathering further information for the entry.

High resolution digital photos must be submitted for each entry as they are used for audiovisual presentation and printed media associated with the program. It is preferred that images are taken by a professional photographer for this reason.

Further specifications on the required images assets are provided in each entrant's custom digital folder link.

All entry material remains the property of Landscaping Victoria Master Landscapers and may be used to promote the Awards program, and LVML in general. Photographer credits will always be applied where provided.

Build/Design scenarios:

- Where ABC Landscapes built the project, and XYZ Design Studio designed the project it is recommended that BOTH members enter the project into their applicable category, due to the application of the following entry rules:
- ABC Landscapes may enter the project into the construction categories independently of the designer.
- XYZ Design Studio may enter the project into the design categories independently of the builder.
- If ABC win the build award, they will generally acknowledge XYZ in their acceptance speech, and vice versa if XYZ take out the design award.
- If the project wins overall Landscape of the Year and both builder and designer have entered the project in their respective categories (it must have won at least one of the categories), then both will be acknowledged as the recipient of the LOTY award.
- If, however, one or the other business has NOT entered the project in an eligible category then the LOTY award will be given only to the business who entered it. This also applies to non-member businesses involved in the project who will not receive formal recognition due to the fact the awards are only open to LVML Members.

LVML reserves the right to withdraw any category or to collapse two or more categories into one should insufficient entries be received, or the entries received do not meet minimum standards.

LVML reserves the right to declare an entry ineligible, at its sole discretion, at any time prior to the Award announcements on November 12th 2022 where the:

- Entrant membership with LVML has been cancelled or suspended
- Entrant is found to be unlicensed or that licence has been cancelled or suspended by the Victorian Building Authority
- Entry fee remains unpaid
- Information provided by the entrant is determined to be deficient, false or misleading in any way

Where an award has been given and it is determined that any of the above conditions have not been met, the award will be revoked.

Entry fees will not be refunded once an entry is made under any circumstances, unless the category is withdrawn by LVML

Entry submissions may be supplied to Universal Media Co should the entry be selected by LVML to represent the State of Victoria in its respective category at the Champion of Champions National Awards.

Entrants choosing to purchase tickets to the Awards Night on November 12th 2022 on the assumption that they will win an award will not be eligible for a refund on tickets in the event they do not win an award.

All projects are judged against set criteria and awarded points for meeting those criteria. A minimum level of points must be obtained by entries to be considered for being awarded a win in the category, or to be acknowledged with a Highly Commended or Commended certificate. It is possible that multiple entries will be awarded a Highly Commended or Commended, subject to the points allocated.

Judges reserve the right to:

- Declare a tie if two entries are of equal standing
- Not issue an award (win, high commendation, or commendation) if the entries in the category do not meet minimum requirements at each level

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

Entrants may request a copy of their judging sheets after the Awards Program is concluded (November 12th 2022).



