

Entry Deadlines

Early: January 31, 2024 Late: February 14, 2024 Final: February 29, 2024





Designers of Experiences Connecting People to Place

Since 1987, the SEGD Global Design Awards have set the standard of excellence for experiential graphic design—honoring design work that connects people to place by providing direction, content, and compelling experiences.

The SEGD Global Design Awards (GDAs) represent the best-of-the-best in experiential design and celebrate the designers and design firms whose work best exemplifies SEGD's mission to "Educate, Connect, Inspire and Advocate."

Since 2014, the awards have been juried in separate categories in order to ensure that projects are compared with like projects, e.g., wayfinding projects with wayfinding projects.

The awards competition encompasses eight categories that represent key practice areas of experiential design:

- **Branded Environments**
- **Digital Experiences**
- **Exhibition**
- **Placemaking**
- **Public Installation**
- Strategy/Research/Planning
- Wayfinding

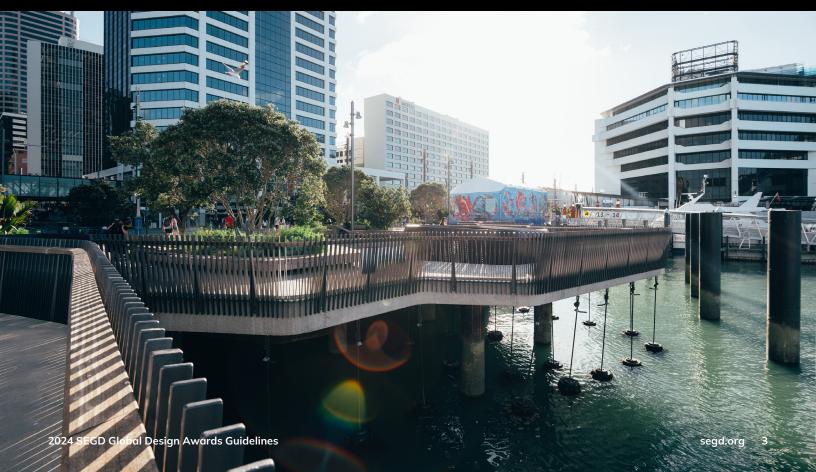
For examples, visit: https://segd.org/awards/

Winners in the seven categories are considered together for the Best of Show award, this prestigious award shines a spotlight on the winner brighter than any other SEGD accolade, and the Sylvia Harris award, which recognizes designs that exemplify an unerring commitment to improve the civic experience.

Who should enter?

- Environmental graphic designers
- **Exhibit designers**
- **Experience designers**
- **Graphic designers**
- **Architects**
- Landscape architects
- **Industrial designers**
- Interior designers
- **Technology integrators**
- Digital content creators
- User experience designers
- Interactive media designers
- **Fabricators**
- Clients
- **Students**

Te Wānanga, 2023 SEGD Global Design Awards Best of Show, Design: Isthmus



How will your projects be evaluated?

All projects summited are judged anonymously. A multidisciplinary jury representing a diversity of design disciplines will evaluate your projects based on their effectiveness in connecting people to place, creating a unique and memorable user experience, and solving the client's objectives and design challenges.

Honor and Merit awards will be selected from the categories.

In addition, one project will win the Best of Show award and one will receive the Sylvia Harris award for social impact. The Best of Show award will be selected from the Honor award winners. The Sylvia Harris award will be selected from either the Honor or the Merit awards.

Shenzhen's Eastern seawall reconstruction, 2023 SEGD Global Design Awards Honor Award, Design: Updesign





Diversity, Equity and Inclusivity

- SEGD is committed to advance visual culture and our built environment; to make them more inclusive and representative of our nation's diversity, and to better represent the vibrant cultures of the world
- To that end, we value projects that address themes of equity and inclusion; those that center the narratives of historically excluded groups such as racial minorities, women, LGBTQ+ community, people/individuals with disabilities, and so on.
- We encourage entrants to describe in their writing how they challenged or creatively re-imagined a given context to advance these values in their projects

Sustainability

- SEGD is committed to advance sustainable design practices. We champion projects that exemplify sustainable design, focusing on efficient use of materials, minimizing environmental impact, and promoting ecological balance.
- We value and encourage designs that effectively reduce energy consumption and environmental impact.
- We encourage community engagement and projects that positively impact both communities and the environment. This includes enhancing biodiversity, engaging with local communities, and contributing to social well-being.
- We seek designs with a forward-thinking approach to sustainability, emphasizing adaptability, resilience, and a vision for a sustainable future.
- Entrants are encouraged to highlight how their designs contribute to these DEI and sustainability goals.

And if my project wins?

Winning projects will be featured in the SEGD24 awards annual and in the SEGD Global Design Awards archive on segd.org/awards. SEGD will also distribute press releases announcing the winners as well as promote on social media platforms and featured content in the SEGD weekly.

Winners will be honored at the SEGD Global Design Awards Celebration during the SEGD Conference, September 26 - 28, 2024 in Dallas.

Project Eligibility

- Projects must have been completed between January 1, 2021 and December 31, 2023.
- Student projects must have been completed in 2022 or 2023 by full-time students.
- Projects may be entered by SEGD members and non-members.
- There is no limit on the number of projects entered by an individual or firm.
- Projects must demonstrate the use of design elements (including, but not limited to, typography, symbols, pictograms, media and diagrams) in the design solution and must focus on the communication of information, identity or image in the designed environment.
- A project may be entered in multiple categories; a separate entry and payment are required for each category.
- Projects entered in previous years may be entered again if they did not win an award. Contact jennette@segd.org or +1 202.638.5555 for information.

Entry Requirements

Entries are judged anonymously. The project description, captions and video should NOT include any information identifying the submitting firm or collaborators.

- Words, pictures and fees must be entered via the SEGD Global Design Awards online entry system.
- **Entries must comply with the Contest Rules.**

Words

Up to 700 words describing the projects, its objectives and challenges, and the primary features of the design solution and how it addressed the objectives and challenges. Ideally, describe the success of the project and how it was measured.

Documentation

Built Projects

- Up to 8 images (300 dpi, .jpg, 5MB limit) with captions (Identify one as the "Hero Shot" that you would like jurors to see first). Please include a credit for all images.
- One (optional) video (mp4, .wmv, or .mov; 105MB limit), project sizzle reels/ overviews up to 1 minute in length. Please include a credit for all videos.
- For digital media submissions, please include the entire film for review. Please include a credit for the film.

Student Projects, Unbuilt Project, **Research Materials and Master Plans**

In addition to the online entry, mail documents, sketches, presentation materials and other relevant "hard copy" materials (with online entry number) to Jennette Foreman at SEGD, 1701 Rhode Island Avenue NW, Office 3-132, Washington, DC 20036*

*SEGD moved to a new office on January 1, 2024. Please use our new address listed above.

Entry Fees

- SEGD Student Members: \$0/entry
- Student Non-members: \$50/entry
- SEGD Members: \$325/entry.
 Three or more entries at \$250/entry
- All others: \$650/entry
- Each entry entered after the early deadline on January 31, 2024 will incur a \$100/entry project late fee up until February 14, 2024.
- Each entry entered from February 15, 2024 until the final deadline on February 29, 2024 will incur a \$150/entry project late fee.
- Entries must be entered by 11:59pm ET on each entry deadline.

Forest Net(work), 2023 SEGD Global Design Awards Sylvia Harris, Design: NBBJ





The Fine Print (Contest Rules)

By submitting an Entry, each Entrant agrees to the following terms and conditions:

- 1. Each person submitting an Entry ("Entrant") represents and warrants that
 - a. He or she is the sole author, owner, or licensee of all content, including but not limited to, text, images, and video, submitted in connection the entered project ("the Entry");
 - b. He or she has the right to grant the licenses (or sublicences) required in Paragraph 3, below;
 - c. None of the content in the Entry infringes on any proprietary, intellectual property, confidentiality, or moral rights owned by any third party; or violates any applicable law, regulation, or ordinance;
- Entrant agrees to provide proof of ownership and/ or applicable licenses (with sublicensing authoring as required by Paragraph 3) upon request by SEGD, and acknowledges that otherwise winning projects will not be selected or published without such documentation.
- 3. By entering the Entry, Entrant grants SEGD a non-exclusive, perpetual worldwide, royalty-free license (or sublicense) to publish, copy, distribute, and otherwise use the content in the Entry for any purpose and in any media, with attribution.
- 4. As between Entrant and SEGD, Entrant agrees that SEGD is not liable for any claims made by any third party that SEGD's use of the content in the Entry violates any of the third party's rights, including but not limited to the rights listed in Paragraph 1 (c).
- 5. Entrant also agrees to indemnify, defend, and hold SEGD and its officers, directors, employees, and agents harmless against any third-party claim described in Paragraph 4, regardless of whether the claim is proved.

Questions?

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