

THE PRETORIA INSTITUTE FOR ARCHITECTURE
AWARDS FOR ARCHITECTURE 2023
and
THE SOUTH AFRICAN INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS
AWARD OF MERIT & AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE 2023/2024

CALL FOR ENTRIES

Architecture is the most visible and public of the arts. An important function of all the regional institutes and the South African Institute of Architects (SAIA) is to recognise and promote excellence in architecture and to create public awareness and debate on architectural issues. The awards programme is in support of these goals, and run in two stages over a two year period.

During the first stage, the regional Institutes invite submissions, appoint and convene a panel of jurors to decide the regional Awards for Architecture and eligible projects to be submitted for national consideration. The regional Awards for Architecture are announced and made at a regional function that takes place during 2023.

The second stage of the programme starts during 2023/2024 with the submission of entries by the regional panels of adjudicators for consideration of the SAIA Award of Merit and the SAIA Award for Excellence. A national panel of jurors, convened by the SAIA president, will convene after receipt of the projects by the National Office (Format and dates still to be confirmed). This will be done to select the projects it wishes to inspect from the submitted entries. During the first few months of 2024, the national panel of jurors will inspect the projects in loco. The SAIA Awards of Merit and the Awards for Excellence will be announced at a national function.

ENTRIES & ELIGIBILITY:

The PIA invites members to submit entries for the PIA regional and SAIA awards programme. Eligible projects will be forwarded to the national panel of assessors for adjudication of the SAIA Award of Merit. (See attached Conditions)

Work may be submitted to the Region by the author or nominated by any member of the Region with the author's, or other responsible person's permission.

Projects that fall in an area under jurisdiction of the regional Institute, and were completed during the period 01 January 2021 to 31 December 2022, are eligible for entry to the PIA and SAIA's awards programme 2023-2024.

Please note that all the regional Institutes are inviting entries for the awards. Members who have done work in an area outside the jurisdiction of their regional Institute, should obtain (and return) entry forms from the relevant regional Institute in which the project falls.

If the relevant institute is not calling for submissions, the project/s can be submitted to the member's regional institute.

It should be noted that in loco inspection of projects that are situated in remote areas of the region may not be possible, and additional video material via a YouTube link or a link to the video on your own website is required in order to adjudicate the project by way of a virtual inspection. NO VIDEOS WILL BE DOWNLOADED.

It should be noted that the submitted project/s will require the presence of the project architect (or representative thereof) during the in loco inspections.

Projects outside South Africa may be submitted to the member's regional Institute. It should be noted that in loco inspection of these projects may not be possible, and additional video material via a YouTube link or a link to the video on your own website is required in order to adjudicate the project by way of a virtual inspection. Should such projects go forward for national adjudication, and funding is made available by the entrant to cover the costs, every effort will be made by the national panel of jurors to carry out an in loco inspection.

In order to offer equal opportunity throughout the country for members to enter projects, the guidelines apply to all Regions, and a uniform format of the call for entries, conditions for entry and the nomination/submission form has been established for use by all the Regions.

Please read and comply with the attached conditions and kindly submit all the required material in the prescribed format. Members should note that the awards are conferred on the building or project, not on the authors or client, although their names (architectural practice) appear on the certificates. Please note that all documentation must be signed by a principal of the Architectural Practice. **(It is critical that if two or more practices are entering their project that this is made very clear on the entry.)**

PLEASE ALSO NOTE THAT THE PIA SUBMISSIONS ARE ELECTRONIC ONLY. SAIA MAY REQUEST FOR PRINTING TO BE DONE AS PER PREVIOUS YEARS' REQUIREMENTS. (SAME WILL BE INFORMED)

THE PIA AWARD FOR ARCHITECTURE

This award is made by the regional Institute to encourage and recognise good design or a noteworthy contribution in the field of architecture in the Region. It may be for:

- Entry Form A
- a new building or group of buildings;
 - a work of technological importance;
 - the conservation, restoration and/or rehabilitation (refurbishment) of existing buildings, historic precincts or areas

There is no restriction on the building type, use or size. **It is also intended for small-scale alterations or interiors if they are of exceptional quality and contribute to the current discourse on architecture.** Although the project may contain flaws, it should be clearly identifiable as having specific attributes worthy of recognition.

NB: AGAIN ... PLEASE ALSO SEE THE INDIVIDUAL CATEGORIES (WHICH ALL FALL UNDER ENTRY FORM A) TO BE SELECTED FROM.

Entry Form B

- a work of social importance, other than a building, for which the member or architectural practice was appointed as the architect;
- research in the field of architecture.

ADDITIONAL PIA AWARDS:

The following is for PIA Regional Submission ONLY

Entry Form A to be used - UNBUILT PROJECTS – NO NATIONAL CONSIDERATION

The PIA recognises the efforts which go into the design of projects that do not get to full execution (due to financial or other constraints).

SAIA AWARD OF MERIT & SAIA AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE:

The national stage of the awards programme is sponsored by (Name still to be confirmed). All eligible entries which have received a regional Award for Architecture are submitted for national adjudication:

- Projects by paid up SAIA corporate members (SAIA practices) are eligible for entry.
- Research or a work of social importance by a paid up SAIA member or corporate member (SAIA practice) is eligible for entry.

The national panel of jurors appointed and convened by the president of SAIA, will consider all the submissions put forward by the regional committees. This round of national jurors comprises a prominent architect, an academic, an eminent person with an interest in architecture and a representative from our sponsor (Names to be advised). The national panel will decide which projects

to inspect in loco and upon conclusion which projects (if any) will receive the SAIA Award of Merit and the SAIA Award for Excellence.

In simpler terms, a project may receive a regional Award for Architecture in the first phase and receive no further award, or it may be the recipient of both the regional Award for Architecture during the first year and receive a SAIA Award of Merit during the second phase of the Award programme in 2023/2024. Only projects, research or a work of social importance that have received the SAIA Award of Merit are eligible for the SAIA Award for Excellence.

PIA/SAIA AWARDS PROGRAMME 2023-2024:

An outline programme has been adopted with the following deadlines:

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| March – May 2023 | : | Regions call for entries & appoint adjudication panels |
| 19 May 2023 | : | Regional entries to be uploaded (No late entries) |
| 3 – 6 July 2023 | : | Regional adjudication |
| 26 October 2023 | : | Regional award function |
| End 2023 | : | Ensure projects with all elements reach the National Office |

Dates around the National Awards will be communicated later in the year.

Please note: Regions are responsible for submitting the list of projects, architects of the projects, names of the regional panel and citations and recommendations to SAIA. Members (Award Recipients) are responsible for submitting all projects and required documentation to the national office.

REGIONAL AWARD FUNCTION:

The PIA Award for Architecture will be announced and conferred at the PIA Dinner and Awards function in September 2021.

Chris Malan

Awards Convener

1 March 2023