

Submissions deadline: 11:59 p.m. December 10, 2021

RAIC and the Canada Council for the Arts (CCA) are pleased to invite architects to participate in the competition for the 2022 Governor General's Medals in Architecture. The RAIC, with the RAIC College of Fellows, is proud to organize and administer the competition. The Canada Council for the Arts is responsible for selecting and administering the peer assessment committee.

Objective

The objective of the Governor General's Medals in Architecture is to recognize and celebrate outstanding design in recently completed built projects by Canadian architects. The 2022 competition continues a tradition initiated by the Massey Medals in 1950, providing an important source of understanding of the nature of Canadian architecture and the regional, cultural and historic forces expressed in the built environment.

Eligibility

Projects built in and outside of Canada, completed between January 1, 2014 and September 1, 2021 and for which licensed/registered architect or Team of Architects who are Canadian citizens or permanent residents of Canada and are licensed/registered with a Canadian Provincial or Territorial Jurisdiction and were the lead design architects, are eligible to be submitted.

The following are NOT eligible:

- **projects with involvement of a peer assessment committee member (jury) for the 2022 competition**
- **projects having received a Governor General's Medal in Architecture in a previous competition;**
- **projects with involvement of a member of the RAIC Awards Committee or RAIC staff; or a member of the Board or staff of the Canada Council for the Arts.**

Awards

The 2022 competition will result in the awarding of 12 Governor General's Medals in Architecture.

Peer Assessment Committee

The Jury members are:

Assessment

Medals are awarded for excellence in the art of architecture. The primary criterion will be the architectural artistic merit of the design, including such elements as:

conceptual clarity;
compatibility with the site;
detailing;

innovation and uniqueness;
sustainable design.

Procedures for Entry

Submission Date

Submissions must be received before 11:59 p.m. **Friday, December 10, 2021**. Entrants are solely responsible for timely submissions. This date and time are firm without exceptions.

Entry Fee

\$650 plus application taxes for RAIC members: (the lead design architect must be a member of the RAIC)

\$1200 plus applicable taxes for non RAIC members

Instructions

1. PROJECT INFORMATION/CREDITS

All credits on certificates, medals and publicity will be based on this information. Any errors or omissions will be the responsibility of the entrant.

Full credit must be given. If more than one architect is credited for a single project, the order in which

2. PROJECT DESCRIPTIONS

Two (2) descriptions are required:

1. A 500-word maximum statement on one page outlining the objectives and significance of the project and summarizing for the peer assessment committee (jury) why the project is considered worthy of a medal. This text should be conceived to be accessible to the general public.
2. A 100-word maximum media statement crafted for website postings and media campaigns.

3. IMAGES

A maximum of 10 digital images **including a site plan, a building plan and cross-section** must be included.

4. KEY LIST OF IMAGES

The Key List of Images should correspond to the images and should include image number, name of building, architect and photographer credits where applicable for each image provided.

Rules of the Competition

Only one medal will be bestowed to the lead design architect listed for each project selected. Additional medals can be purchased upon request by each architectural firm involved in the project or by the client.

Submission of an entry to the 2022 Governor General's Medals in Architecture grants all rights to the RAIC and Canada Council for the Arts for unrestricted publication of the material in all media, including electronic media. Permission from owners/clients and photographers is the responsibility of the entrants and must be obtained before making an entry.

Photographs used for any purpose by the RAIC or the Canada Council for the Arts will bear the customary photographer's credit line as provided by the entrant.

All submissions will be kept by the RAIC for publications, public relations and archival purposes. Unsuccessful entries will not be returned to entrants.

All recipients of winning submissions must produce two display panels. The panels must be delivered to the RAIC. Detailed specifications will be provided to all medalists.

RAIC and the Canada Council for the Arts must be included in all media/newspaper releases and announcements regarding the medal by winning candidates.

Questions & Answers

Questions must be forwarded by e-mail no later than November 5, 2021 to awards-prix@raic.org.

Answers will be posted on RAIC's website on November 12, 2021.

Notification

The winning entrants will be notified privately of the results approximately three months after the deadline date. It is expected that the public announcement and an awards ceremony will be held in 2022 in Ottawa. Travel to the ceremony for the medalists is at their own expense. Entrants who are not selected will be notified by letter. Results will not be released over the telephone.

Checklist

Submission should contain:

- **Project Information/Credit Sheet**
- **500-word Project description**
- **100-word Project media description**
- **10 images**
- **Key List of all digital images**

For more information e-mail: awards-prix@raic.org