



UTAH DESIGN AWARDS

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Our inaugural celebration of design in the Mountain West

Submissions open July 2026

Scan the QR code or visit utahdesignawards.com
for more information.

Details & Instructions

How to Enter

1. Visit [utahdesignawards/Sign-In](#)
2. Register an account for your organization.
3. Sign in and click the "New Entry" link.
4. Fill out the form with your project details.
5. Attach your images.
6. Save your entry.
7. You may revisit and submit as many entries as you wish until **October 15, 2026**.
8. Once all projects are entered, use the "Submit and Pay" link to check out and finalize your submissions.

Project Images

You must upload between 1 - 8, high-resolution image(s) along with your entry. Images submitted must be about 8 x 10 inches, at 300 DPI minimum (any image that does not meet this requirement will not be accepted). The acceptable format is JPG, with a size limitation of 50 MB per image. Please see our Photography Terms section. To ensure anonymity, photos should be named by category and NOT the name of designer and/or homeowner submitting the project. Example of correct image name:

- [traditionalgreatroom1.jpg](#)
- [traditionalgreatroom2.jpg](#)

When crediting a photographer, please list your photographer's name/company the same way throughout all entries.

Please note, all photos submitted are eligible for selection to represent the winning entries in the summer issue of Utah Style & Design. Photo selection and size/ cropping is at the discretion of the art department.

Project Concept Statement/Description

Please provide a typed overview (100 - 250 words) detailing significant aspects of the finished project. The statement should discuss

design challenges, location (city name), design solutions, and other pertinent aspects, but must not mention firm name, nor individuals involved. Entrants must include the year the project was completed. Design projects more than five years old will not be accepted. Projects should be submitted via the entry-submission form at [utahdesignawards.com](#).

Rising Star

Rising Star nominees must have fewer than 10 consecutive years' experience in their field and must have completed at least one significant project. Nominations must be submitted by someone other than the nominee. Nominees will be contacted for complete portfolio, résumé, and professional photo. No fee is required for nomination.

Judging

An independent panel is selected from outside Utah. Judges are drawn from national media (print and television), respected academic institutions, private practice, and include nationally recognized names from design and architecture. Their expertise reflects a broad spectrum of related professions, including architecture, interior design, and landscape architecture. All judges' decisions are final.

Deadline

All entries must be submitted, and paid for in full, via web form, by October 15, 2026. FEE (NONREFUNDABLE)

Entry fees are payable via our online entry form, which accepts PayPal, Visa®, MasterCard® or American Express®.

- **1 - 3 entries: \$100 each**
- **4 - 6 entries: \$90 each**
- **7 + entries: \$80 each**

Advertising Opportunity

One half the entry fee will be rebated as a voucher toward the purchase

of an advertisement in the Summer 2027 special Design Awards issue of Utah Style & Design magazine. For advertising opportunities, contact advertising@utahstyleanddesign.com

Photography Terms

Entrants must secure and submit royalty / reuse-free photos from their photographer before submitting images (to run in Utah Style & Design / [utahstyleanddesign.com](#) at no additional charge). Image Use Agreement for Utah Design Awards Submissions By submitting materials (including images, descriptions, and other content) to the Utah Design Awards, you grant Utah Style & Design magazine a perpetual, non-exclusive, royalty-free license to use, reproduce, distribute, and publish the submitted content solely for the promotion and marketing of the Utah Design Awards program. This includes use in print, digital, and social media formats, as well as in future editorial and promotional campaigns related to the Utah Design Awards. Ownership of the original materials remains with the submitter. It is the entrant's responsibility to inform the photographer of these terms.

Guidelines and Additional Terms

Only entrants will receive an award. If other companies, designers, and/or homeowners contributed to the project and would like to receive an award, duplicate plaques may be purchased upon receipt of the winner letter at an additional cost of \$105. Additional contributors will not be mentioned at the awards ceremony, on award plaque, or in the magazine unless his/her company was listed as a "co-entrant." Important note: If you list a co-entrant on an entry, the co-entrant's name will appear as a co-winner with your company name in the magazine and on the award plaque if your submission is selected as a winner. There is a separate opportunity on the submission form to list others who contributed to the project; this area is optional and those you list here will NOT receive an award plaque if your

entry is selected as a winner. Their names, however, may be featured in the USD magazine editorial. If a category doesn't receive sufficient support, Utah Style & Design retains the right to remove the category from that year's competition. In this event, the entry fee would be refunded for the affected entries. Failure to comply fully with contest rules may result in disqualification. Entry fee is non-refundable and will not be returned (even if entry is determined to be ineligible or disqualified). Utah Style & Design is not liable for lost, stolen, ineligible, misdirected, damaged, mutilated, or postage-due entries. Winning submissions become the property of Utah Style & Design magazine. Utah Style & Design retains legal / publishing rights of the photography indefinitely after publishing the Summer 2027 Design Awards issue.

Questions

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Printable entry packets are available at: [utahdesignawards.com](#)

Dates to Remember

- **October 15, 2026:** Submission and fee deadline
- **February 2027:** Winners notified
- **June 2027:** Utah Design Awards Gala and release of Utah Style & Design magazine's Design Awards issue

Award Categories

Homes

(homes, cottages, condos, etc.)

- Historic remodel (50 years or older)
- Large remodel (over 1,000 sq. ft.)
- Apartment/loft/condo
- Overall home
- New model home
- Contemporary architecture
- Traditional architecture

Details

- Millwork
- Stair & railing
- Flooring/Rugs
- Interior use of stone or tile
- Interior/Exterior lighting
- Fireplace
- Custom cabinetry or furniture

Exteriors

- Gate/fence/wall
- Use of stone/tile/concrete
- Swimming pool/spa
- Deck/patio/porch
- Outdoor fireplace/firepit
- Landscape design (floral, hardscape, lake access, etc.)
- Outdoor kitchen

Interiors

- Handcrafted furniture
- Utility room (laundry room, mud room, dedicated pet space)
- Specialty room (bar, gym, wine, music, crafts, billiards, etc.)
- Guest room
- Bath (powder room, primary, etc.)
- Kitchen
- Primary suite
- Great room
- Home office
- Use of local art or antiques
- Use of fabrics
- Wall treatment (special paint technique, wall covering, etc.)

Commercial

- Restaurant/Bar
- Hotel/Resort
- Retail interior design (boutiques, stores, salons)

