

Homes of the Year

Please read the following information before completing your online application:

The entry fee for Homes of the Year is \$85. Entries received after 5 p.m. on Feb. 9, 2018, will be charged an additional \$25 per entry. Companies will be invoiced by the HBA for submitted entries.

Categories are judged on a 100-point system. Should the situation occur where there is only one entry in a category, 70 points would qualify as a winning entry without competition. The HBA reserves the right to eliminate any category due to insufficient entries or where the quality of work does not warrant a winner. Judges also reserve the right to combine or expand categories based on number of entries received. There will be no ties in a category. A definitive winner will be picked by the judges.

A company may submit only one entry per category but may enter multiple categories. To be eligible, Homes of the Year entries must have been built/furnished/completed between January 2017 and December 2017.

Up to 24 photographs of rooms of the applicant's choice and one copy of the model floor plan (brochure inserts and photocopies are sufficient) must be submitted as attachments to the online entry form.

Display Home of the Year (Builder Entry)

Judges consider the appropriateness of the design and functionality as it relates to the target market in the following areas: concept (20 points), creativity (15 points), wall/window treatments (15 points), impact of furniture/accessories (15 points), floor plan functionality (15 points), unique or products/materials used (10 points) and exterior landscaping/curb appeal (10 points).

Staging Project of the Year (Designer/Home Staging Entry)

Judges consider the appropriateness of the staging as it relates to the target market in the following areas: concept (15 points), creativity (25 points), wall/window treatments (20 points), impact of furniture/accessories (20 points), price listed/sold for (10 points) and time on market after staging (10 points).

Remodeling Project of the Year (Remodeler Entry)

Judges consider the appropriateness of the design and functionality as it relates to the home owners' expectation and desire in the following areas: creativity (15 points), design functionality (15 points), unique products/materials used (20 points), obstacles or challenges overcome (15 points), special/unique aspects of job (10 points), how the project improves the usable living space (10 points) and homeowner testimonial/how the project met the lifestyle needs of the customer (15 points).

Custom Home of the Year (Custom Home Builder Entry)

Judges consider the appropriateness of the design and functionality as it relates to the home owner in the following areas: concept (20 points), creativity (25 points), impact of home features (20 points), floor plan functionality (15 points), unique products/materials used (10 points) and exterior landscaping/curb appeal (10 points).

Most Advanced Home of the Year (Builder/Custom/Remodeler Entry)

Judges consider the appropriateness of the design and functionality as it relates to incorporation of any advanced building practice(s) or technologically advanced product(s) in a home building project as it relates to exhibiting a thorough understanding of sound building science principles in the following areas: energy efficiency (20 points), sustainability (15 points), ease of use (15 points), comfort (15 points), health (15 points), safety (10 points), and durability/reduced maintenance (10 points).