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## LIT Design Awards Announces

### LIT 2020 Spotlight Recipient “Women in Lighting”.

**Los Angeles, CA** – The prestigious [LIT Lighting Design Awards](#) is pleased to announce the recipient of the 2020 Spotlight prize – Women in Lighting.

The LIT Lighting Design Awards was created to recognize the efforts of talented international lighting product designers and lighting implementers. The organization believes lighting is both art and a science, and that it is one of the most important elements of design. LIT was envisioned to celebrate creativity and innovation in the fields of lighting products and applications.

In the organization’s most recent news, LIT Lighting Design Awards is thrilled to announce its 2020 Spotlight prize – [Women in Lighting \(WIL\)](#). WIL is an inspirational digital platform which profiles women working in the field of lighting design. The community platform promotes each woman’s achievements, narrates their career path and goals, celebrates their work, and elevates their profile in the lighting community.

*“Spotlight is a special prize that rewards an organization or project which carries out remarkable work for its community, and for being a major contributor in the lighting industry,”* says founder of LIT Lighting Design Awards, Mr. Hossein Farmani. *“Women in Lighting exemplifies our expectations for Spotlight, as the project supports the important work of women in the industry by creating an inclusive environment in the profession. We couldn’t be prouder of this initiative and look forward to seeing their continued work into the future.”*

Women in Lighting has been founded by Sharon Stammers and Martin Lupton, the team now consists of 70 ambassadors from 70 different countries around the world who aim to create a supportive and inspirational environment for women in the lighting industry.

When being informed of the Spotlight prize, Sharon Stammers shared *“The WIL team are proud to accept this special award on behalf of all people who have participated in the project, the entire global WIL network and its supporters. It’s great to have the project recognized in this way as one of the main reasons for starting it were to raise the profile of women in lighting and to inspire others. We feel that this is working...”*

### **About Women in Lighting:**



International lighting designers and light activists, Light Collective launched the project, Women in Lighting on International Women's day in 2019. It is a celebratory project that set out to create an inspirational digital platform for women working in the architectural lighting industry to promote their passion and achievements, narrate their career path and goals, celebrate their work and elevate their profile in the lighting community.

Women in Lighting consists primarily of a website - [www.womeninlighting.com](http://www.womeninlighting.com) - with a database of interviews with women from around the world. Starting with lighting designers, the scope has expanded to include women in all aspects of lighting - education, journalism, manufacturing, art and research. The project has already gathered support from individual female designers in over 70 different countries. These "ambassadors" are a point of contact in each location for other women seeking to find out more about the project. Initially started as it was evident that female participation in conferences, committees, juries and panels were under represented, a main aim was that as there are approximately 50% of female lighting designers, they get 50% visibility.

Women in Lighting is not about gender inequality but about inclusivity and how this is beneficial to the profession as a whole. The project is supported by formal lighting and archifos.

For more information about Women in Lighting, please visit <https://womeninlighting.com>.

### **About LIT Lighting Design Awards:**



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LIT Design Awards was assembled by the Farmani Group as the sister initiative of the IDA International Design Awards, which has been recognizing and celebrating smart and sustainable multidisciplinary design since 2007.

The Farmani Group, established in 1985, is responsible for many successful awards around the globe. Farmani Group organizes the International Design Awards (IDA), Architecture Masterprize, DNA Paris Design Awards, London International Creative Awards, Prix de la Photographie in Paris, and the Annual Lucie Awards for Photography, which has emerged as one of the world's most prestigious awards.

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