ENTRY
GUIDE
2026

LIGHTING
DESIGN
AWARDS

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

All submissions are voted on by a grand jury panel composed of experienced and prominent academics, professionals, press members, entrepreneurs, and key people from the lighting design industry.

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Why you should submit?

1
Brand differentiation

Becoming a LIT Lighting Design Awards winner will set you apart from the competition.

2
International Exposure

Benefit from extensive marketing campaigns, press releases, newsletters, interviews, and promotions.

3
Customer Growth

Generate exposure to an expanded architect and interior designer market, targeting developers and investors.

4
Marketing Opportunities

Being associated with a business awards event will provide you with excellent PR opportunities and media coverage.

5
Team Recognition

Productivity, motivation, job satisfaction and morale are all boosted by the well-deserved recognition of winning an award.

6
Increase credibility

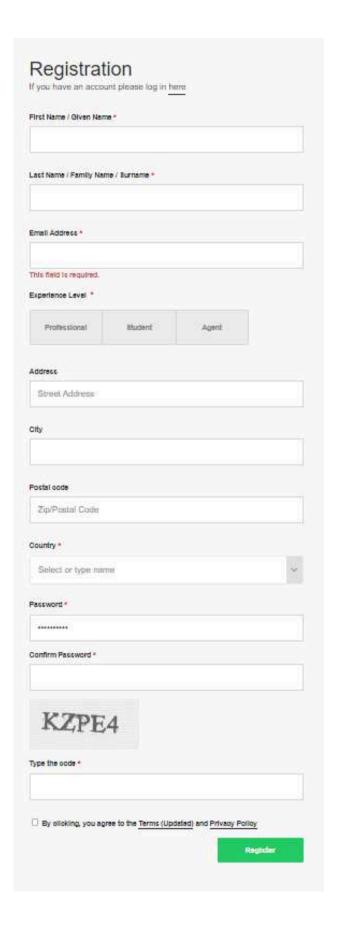Our winning badge is a sign of quality for potential customers and can be a part of your sales strategy.

GETTING STARTED

Register and complete your profile information.

Pick your experience level, add your company or school details and create a password.

Validate.

Once you have registered; you can run through the steps, save your progress then come back to complete your profile if needed.

Registration

If you have an account please log in here

First Name / Given Name *

Last Name / Family Name / Surname *

Email Address *

This field is required.

Experience Level *

| Professional | Student | Agent |

Address

Street Address

City

Postal code

Zip/Postal Code

Country *

Select or type name

Password *

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Confirm Password *

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Type the code *

☐ By clicking, you agree to the Terms (Updated) and Privacy Policy

Register

CREATE AN ENTRY

Submit your work - access your dashboard.

Click on "Submit" to the design section related to your project:

- Architectural Lighting Design
- Entertainment Lighting Design
- Lighting Product Design

LIT LIGHTING DESIGN AWARDS

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LIT – LIGHTING DESIGN AWARDS

Please take a moment to update your Profile

Lighting Design Awards shares your innovative and ground-breaking Lighting designs with the world. Submit your best designs today.

Submit — LIT Design Awards 2026 / ARCHITECTURAL LIGHTING DESIGN

Submit your work in Architectural Lighting Design... from Exterior Architectural Illumination, Interior Architectural Illumination, Landscape Lighting Design and more

Submit — LIT Design Awards 2026 / ENTERTAINMENT LIGHTING DESIGN

Submit your work in Entertainment Lighting Design... from Stage Lighting, Light Art Project, Immersive Lighting Project and more

Submit — LIT Design Awards 2026 / LIGHTING PRODUCT DESIGN

Submit your work in Lighting Product Design... from Track Lighting, Desk Lamps, Floor Lamps, Designer/Custom Lighting and more
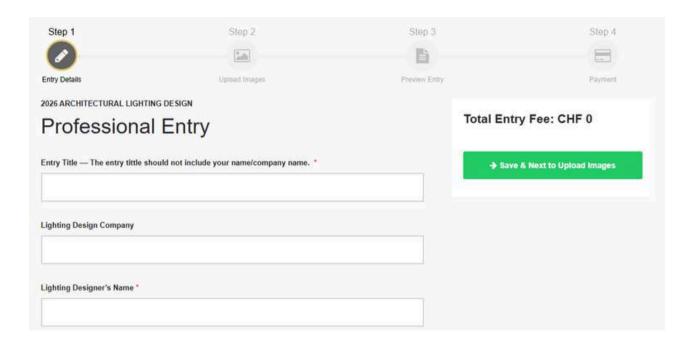
IMPORTANT:

- We recommend uploading a minimum of 6 pictures to a maximum of 10 images. Professional pictures are highly preferred.
- The "first Image" will be used as your entry profile picture to showcase and identify your entry, do not watermark your photos.
- Do not include your / your company name in the "Entry Name" and in the description.
- Please complete your submission in English - no special characters.

ENTRY FORM

Step 1/ Complete the entry form.

The online entry form is split into four steps: Entry Details / Entry Upload / Preview Entry / Payment

ENTRY DETAILS /

For professional submissions you need to provide the following information:
- Lead Designer (required)
- List of Team Members (optional)
- Design/Product Name (required)
- Client (optional)
- Category(ies) (required)
- Brief description of design/product (required)
- Upload images and/or PDF description of the design
- Add links to design/product (videos, online materials, website, etc) (optional)

For student submissions you need to provide the following information:
- Name of your University
- Design/Product Name (required)
- Category(ies) (required)
- Brief Description of your Design/Product (required)
- Upload images and/or PDF description of the product (required)
- Add links to product (videos, online materials, website, etc) (optional)

ENTRY FORM

Select which categories you wish to enter, you may enter the same design into as many categories as you see fit. In fact, doing so may increase your chances of winning.

IMPORTANT/

- There is a 50% discount for the additional category picked.
- There is no limitation to the number of categories.
- We accept completed, in-progress, and conceptual projects.

Entry Categories
LIGHTING PRODUCT DESIGN

☐ Agricultural Lighting	☐ Ambient Lighting
☐ Artisan Glass Blown Lighting	☐ Automotive Lighting
☐ Ceiling Lights	☐ Chandeliers
☐ Cove Lighting	☐ Deck and Step Lights
☐ Decorative Accent Lamps	☐ Designer/Custom Lighting
☐ Desk Lamps, Floor Lamps	☐ Energy Saving Lights
☐ Entertainment Lights	☐ Flood Lights
☐ Flush Lights	☐ Gobo
☐ Hanging Lights & Lamps	☐ Healthcare Lights
☐ Illuminated Ceilings	☐ Illuminated Home Décor
☐ Innovative Lighting Software Applications	☐ Interactive Lighting Products
☐ Landscape Lights	☐ Lanterns and Torch Lights
☐ LED Lighting Products & Fixtures	☐ Lighting Control Systems
☐ Linear Lighting Systems	☐ Mood Lighting
☐ Neon Lighting	☐ Other Lighting Products
☐ Outdoor Ceiling Lights	☐ Outdoor Hanging Lights
☐ Outdoor Spotlights	☐ Outdoor Wall Lighting
☐ Pendant Lighting	☐ Portable Lamps
☐ Post Lanterns	☐ Projection/Theater Lights
☐ Solar Lighting	☐ Sport Lighting Systems
☐ Street Lighting	☐ Task Lighting
☐ Track Lighting	☐ Wall Sconces

Entry Categories
ENTERTAINMENT LIGHTING DESIGN

☐ Conceptual Lighting installation	☐ Concert Lighting Installation
☐ Drone Light Art	☐ Event Lighting Installation
☐ Immersive Lighting Project	☐ Interactive Lighting Project
☐ Light Art Project	☐ Live Design Lighting
☐ Music Event Lighting	☐ Opera Performance Lighting
☐ Other Entertainment Lighting Projects	☐ Outdoor Light Art Installation
☐ Stage Lighting	☐ Theater Performance Lighting
☐ Video and Movie Lighting Design	

Entry Categories
ARCHITECTURAL LIGHTING DESIGN

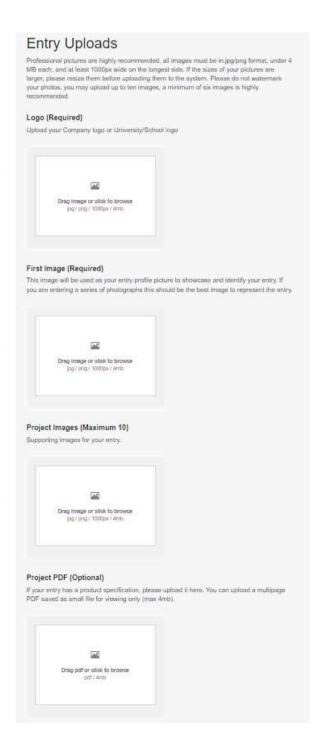|	
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☐ Artisan Glass Blown Lighting	☐ Bar and Restaurant Lighting Design
☐ Bridges and Public infrastructures Lighting	☐ Community Building Lighting
☐ Conceptual Designs-Projects in Development	☐ Cultural Building Lighting Design
☐ Daylighting	☐ Energy Saving Lighting Systems
☐ Exterior Architectural Illumination	☐ Fashion Design Lighting
☐ Healthcare Lighting Design	☐ Heritage Lighting Design
☐ Horticultural Lighting Design	☐ Hospitality Lighting Design
☐ Industrial Building Lighting Design	☐ Interior Architectural Illumination
☐ Landscape Lighting Design	☐ LED Exterior Lighting Design
☐ LED Interior Lighting Design	☐ Low Carbon Lighting
☐ Other Lighting Designs	☐ Public Building Lighting Design
☐ Religious & Spiritual Site Lighting Design	☐ Residential Lighting Design
☐ Retails Lighting Design	☐ Spectrum Lighting
☐ Street Lighting Design	☐ Visitor Experience & Museum Exhibition
☐ Workplace Lighting Design	

ENTRY UPLOAD

Step 2/ Upload your images, company/university logo and a PDF document.

You can upload up to 10 images, the logo of your company or university and one PDF document; use it as a specification sheet to provide more insight on your project.

IMPORTANT/

- We recommend uploading a minimum of 6, a maximum of 10 images relating to your project.

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- Professional pictures are highly recommended, all images must be in.jpg/png format, under 4 MB each, and at least 1000px wide on the longest side. If the sizes of your pictures are larger, please resize them before uploading them to the system.

- Do not watermark your photos.

- Please ensure that you have the appropriate copyright clearances for all photography submitted. All entrants understand that any image submitted to the competition may be used by the LIT Awards for marketing and promotional purposes.

- The PDF document is only used by the Jury members when voting, the document will not be published.

Entry Uploads

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Logo (Required)
Upload your Company logo or University/School logo

Drag Image or click to browse
jpg / png / 1000px / 4mb

First Image (Required)
This image will be used as your entry profile picture to showcase and identify your entry. If you are entering a series of photographs this should be the best image to represent the entry.

Drag Image or click to browse
jpg / png / 1000px / 4mb

Project Images (Maximum 10)
Supporting images for your entry.

Drag Image or click to browse
jpg / png / 1000px / 4mb

Project PDF (Optional)
If your entry has a product specification, please upload it here. You can upload a multipage PDF saved as small file for viewing only (max 4mb).

Drag pdf or click to browse
pdf / 4mb

ENTRY REVIEW

Step 3/ Review your application:

- Once you have uploaded all the required material for your submission, please review your submission carefully, checking for any errors or missing information, before finalizing the payment.

PAYMENT

Step 4/ Pay and receive your invoice:

- Submission fees are the last step in processing your application.
- Multiple entry payments are possible, just click and select those you would like to proceed with.
- Payment must be made via credit a card or Paypal.
- The cost summary is including the early submissions discount, when applicable.
- The company is based in Switzerland therefore the program currency is CHF – Swiss Franc, however, you can pay in all currencies accepted by stripe & Paypal.
- Please make sure your company details have been fully completed under "profile" as the invoice will be under this company name and address.
- Once you have entered your payment information, you will receive a confirmation email with a link to download the invoice; you can also find the invoice under "History" - "Completed Entries."

If you have any questions, please check our Frequently Asked Questions on the LIT Lighting Design Awards website.

Thank you for submitting your projects and sharing your design with us!

Contact/
Please feel free to contact us at any time:
customer service: team@litawards.com
www.litawards.com

JUDGING CRITERIA

The evaluation process for entries to the LIT Lighting Design Awards is based on various judging criteria that are constantly adapted to new technical, social, economic, and ecological requirements. These criteria are not comprehensive and not all criteria are applicable to each product. They simply provide an orientation framework and basis for judging, which is complemented by each individual juror's expertise and socio-cultural background.

- Innovation — does the product provide something new to the market or supplement/improve an existing product?
- Aesthetics — form, shape, color, texture, finishing, the material used, etc.
- Functionality — ease of use, safety, maintenance, etc.
- Ergonomics — the product's interaction with the user
- Durability — the quality and longevity of the design
- Impact — the benefit delivered to the user and/or society by the product
- Utility — does the product meet the intended purpose and needs of the user?
- Ecological compatibility — potential environmental and/or ecological impact
- The reality of production — how realistic is it, technically and economically, to develop and market this product large scale?
- Emotional quotient — in addition to fulfilling its practical purpose, does the product create a sense of enjoyment and satisfaction?

ENTRY FEES

Professional CHF 230 incl. VAT (approx: US$250)	Student CHF 100 incl. VAT (approx: US$115)
Same entry in additional categories at a 50% discount	Same entry in additional categories at a 50% discount

DEADLINES

- 10% Early Bird discount until April 30th, 2026
- 5% Extended Early Bird discount until June 14th, 2026
- Regular Deadline: August 31st, 2026
- Final Deadline: September 30th (10% late fee applies) till October 18th, 2026
- The program will close on October 18th, 2026