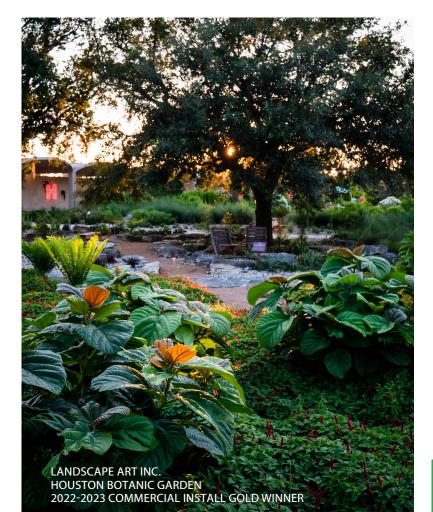
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2023-2024



EXCELLENCE IN LANDSCAPING

AWARDS



ENTRY DEADLINE: OCTOBER 9, 2023

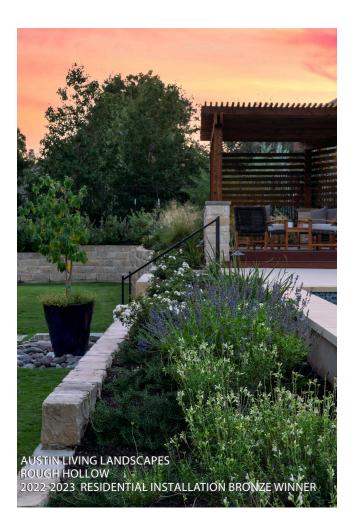
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Eligibility

The Texas Excellence in Landscaping (TEIL) program is open to all:

Landscape Architects and Designers
Design/Build Firms
Interior Landscape Design Firms
Outdoor Lighting Companies
Residential Landscape Firms
Commercial Landscape Firms
Residential Landscape Maintenance Firms
Commercial Landscape Maintenance Firms
Residential Installation Firms
Commercial Installation Firms

Work performed on entered projects must have been completed for private industry or governmental agencies in the State of Texas. Membership to Texas Nursery & Landscape Association is not a requirement. See www.tnlaonline.org for more eligibility details.









REQUIRED ENTRY MATERIALS

Submitted Online ONLY, visit www.TNLAOnline.org for entry portal. For an entry to be complete, submissions must have ALL of the following:

- ☐ Text files for general project description and individual photo descriptions
- ☐ Design plans must be uploaded in PDF format (refer to Design Plan Guidelines at www.tnlaonline.org)
- ☐ Payment of \$200 (TNLA members) or \$300 (non-members) per entry.

GENERAL GUIDELINES

Visit www.tnlaonline.org for full TEIL Guidelines

Multiple Entries

- Multiple project entries per company are allowed, but MUST BE entered on separate submissions forms
- Multiple category entries for the same project are allowed and recommended
- All multiple entries must be submitted in separate categories and as separate entries

Materials Release

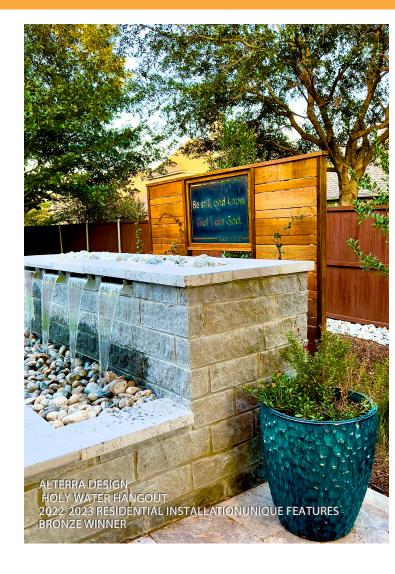
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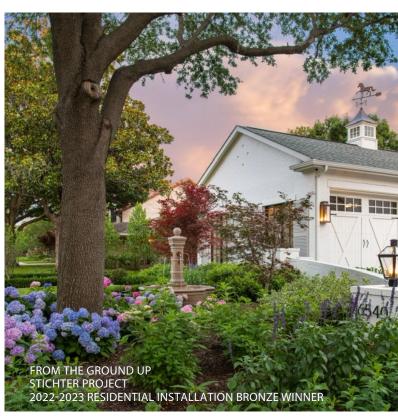
Entry Guidelines

- Installation entries must be submitted no more than 2 years after project completion
- Maintenance projects must have been maintained by entrant for no less than 2 years prior to submission
- Design project entries MUST BE of a completed installation

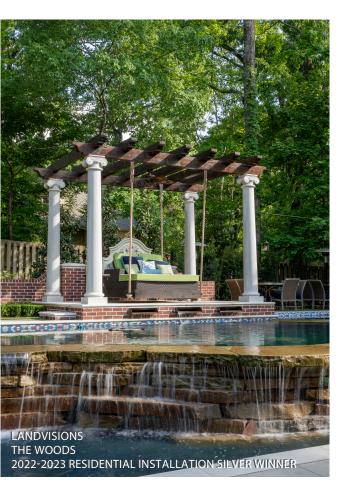
PHOTO/VIDEO GUIDELINES

- All photos must be at least 1280 x 1024 pixels, 300dpi minimum. 'Before' pictures can be of lower resolution if necessary (visit www.tnlaonline.org for details)
- Photos must be separate (no collage or documents including multiple photos are excepted; please see Photo Examples at www.tnlaonline.org)
- Photos must be numbered with corresponding numbered text descriptions
- Photos/Videos MUST NOT contain any identification of company entrant
- Photos/Videos must be taken within 12 months of submission
- Altered or retouched photos will equal disqualification of entry
- FOR FULL PHOTO/VIDEO GUIDELINES AND EXAMPLES, VISIT WWW.TNLAONLINE.ORG









TEIL Categories

A. Commercial Installation

- A.1 Under \$100,000
- A.2 \$100,000 \$500,000
- A.3 \$500,000+
- B. Commercial Maintenance
- C. Residential Installation
 - C.1 Under \$50,000
 - C.2 \$50,000 \$150,000
 - C.3 \$150,000+
- D. Residential Maintenance
- E. Special Projects
- F. Unique Features
- G. Design Category

Category Descriptions – Full Judging Criteria and Category Descriptions can be found at www.tnlaonline.org

Installation Categories – All entries must ONLY include installations that the entrants were fully responsible for, if a subcontractor was used, but the project was still under entrant company responsibility, this project still counts.

Maintenance Categories – Entries will be judged on how effective the maintenance techniques used on the property have displayed the properties neatness and healthy appearance. Describe techniques used to maintain the property NOTTHE DESIGN ASPECTS of the property (plants, texture descriptions, etc). Project must have been under contract by the entrant for no less than 2 years prior to entry.

Special Projects – Special Projects Special projects applies to the whole project, not special features of the entry project. The following are examples but are not limited to these. Rooftop or Balcony Garden: Entries will be judged on feasibility of construction, best practices, and overall visual impact. May be a residential or commercial project. Theme Gardens: This must be a permanent installation. Please state the intended theme. (e.g. Butterfly Garden, Knot Garden, Native Planting and Biodiversity Planting, etc.) Theme must be predominant in overall appearance/design intent. Water Features: Unlimited (e.g. waterfalls, fountains, rain gardens, retention ponds, bioswales etc.) Landscape Lighting: Use of landscape lighting, both low and line voltage, as an essential extension of the landscape plan, well integrated into its environment.

Unique Features – A focus on one specific area of the landscape project. Unique or unusual use of concepts and materials - examples of hard or soft landscaping. They are specific projects within the total installation.

Design Category – The Design Category focuses on the design of a completed project. You must submit a photo depicting the landscape design plan (delete your company name from the plan). The entering firm must have created the landscape design and the installation must be complete. Your description should focus on the client's request, and how your landscape design met his or her specific needs. Do not forget this is a design project — include photos about how the project overcame any special challenges.



Awards

TEXAS EXCELLENCE IN LANDSCAPING AWARDS

There are no set number of awards to be presented. Entries are not judged against one another, but are judged individually; judges may select as many entries astheydeterminedeservingforrecognition. Awards may or may not be given in each category and there may be more than one Gold in each category if judges agree. Honorable Mentions are awarded at judges' discretion.

BEST OF SHOW AWARDS

Best of Show awards are fully at judge's discretion. Only Gold Award Winners will be eligible to receive a Best of Show recognition. Only one Best of Show award will be given per category, but not all categories may receive a Best of Show award.



TNLA AWARDS CELEBRATION

2023-2024 TEIL Award Winners will be honored at the 2024 Lonestar Hort Forum during the TNLA Awards Festival.

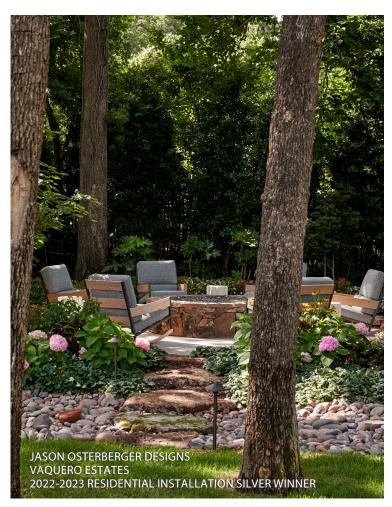
TNLA Awards Festival will be
Janauary 2024
Hilton DFW Lakes Executive
Conference Center
Grapevine, Texas

For additional information visit www.TNLAonline.org





ARE YOU AN AWARD-WINNING LANDSCAPE FIRM?





How To Enter ALL SUBMISSIONS MUST BE ONLINE ONLY!

TEIL submissions will be through an online portal found at www.TNLAonline.org

The online submission portal will open May 1, 2023. The new portal will allow the entrant to quickly and easily submit photos, resubmit photos and to enter the description with each photo in the portal itself.

PAYMENT METHODS

Entrants will be able to pay in the online submission portal with a credit card. If you prefer to pay over the phone or with a check, please use the contact information below.

NEED ASSISTANCE?

If you need assistance completing the online submission or would like to pay over the phone, please contact us: 512.579.3864 | teil@tnlaonline.org