2014 PINNACLE AWARDS
CALL FOR ENTRIES
A Worldwide Competition for Excellence in Natural Stone

These highly-coveted awards are given to projects whose beauty, creativity, ingenuity and craftsmanship exemplify professional mastery in the use of natural stone in commercial and residential applications.

The Pinnacle Awards are open to all MIA member companies. Project teams must include at least one MIA member company. Projects submitted must comply with MIA standards as defined in MIA’s Dimension Stone Design Manual and MIA Technical Modules.

To be eligible, projects must have been completed within the past three years (January 2011-July 2014). Multiple entries are encouraged and accepted. Please fill out a separate entry form for each project.

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General Entry Rules • DEADLINE FOR ENTRY: AUGUST 1, 2014

Entry form(s) and supporting documentation must be bound together (e.g. three-ring binder or spiral binding).

Official Entry Form
A completed and signed entry form with payment must accompany each entry. Incomplete entry forms will disqualify the entry.

Project Description
Include a typed narrative description of the project’s overall goals and how they were achieved. If applicable, describe the sustainability goals, the process that helped you achieve the goals, and the outcome of the project including green or sustainability ratings achieved. Include any special fabrication or installation challenges, how they were met and the specific role the MIA member company played in the project.

Identification
- Project name
- Client
- Architect or designer
- Stone supplier
- Stone fabricator
- General contractor
- Stone installer

It is the responsibility of the entrant to ensure that all parties involved in the project are listed on the application form.

Information About the Stone Used
- Generic (not trade) material name(s)
- Finish(es)
- Size(s)
- Quantity

Photographs (see page 3 for Dos and Don’ts)
Submit at least six (6) professional quality 8 x 10 color prints (photo quality is critically important to the judging process). Consider including details from shop drawings to illustrate fabrication and/or construction methodologies or unique attachment challenges. Photos should present an overall view of the project, as well as, important details that enable judges to better assess quality and scope of the work. Please include a CD with high resolution images of the photos you are submitting. DO NOT submit 35mm slides, presentation boards, photographs printed on an inkjet printer. Only quality color prints will be accepted. Label all materials with the name of your company and project. Please indicate photo credits where applicable.

Criteria
An independent panel of judges appointed by the MIA Board of Directors will evaluate entries based on excellence in design and implementation, quality, workmanship and suitability of materials. Additionally, this year the MIA seeks to identify and award a project in one of the categories that demonstrates environmental responsiveness and successful resolution of sustainability goals.

How to Enter
Payment in full must accompany all entries. Entry fees are not refundable.

Copyright
All materials submitted with the entry, including photography and drawings, must be free of copyright or other restrictions in connection with its reproduction.

Entry Ownership
Entries will not be returned and will become the property of the Marble Institute of America, which reserves the right to use or publish all entries and photographs. All entrants are required to sign an affidavit of eligibility which gives the Marble Institute of America expressed consent to use the entry and accompanying photographs as it sees fit in promotion and publicity. Failure to comply will result in disqualification.

2014 Project Categories
- Commercial Interior
- Commercial Exterior
- Residential Interior/Exterior (Includes kitchens, baths, fireplaces and other interior/exterior applications.)
- Renovation/Restoration (Please include “before” and “after” photos.)

Entry Fees
Single entry: $95 Additional entries: $85 each

DEADLINE
All entries must be received at MIA headquarters by 5 p.m. EST on Friday, August 1, 2014.

Mailing Information
Send all entries to our NEW ADDRESS:
Marble Institute of America
380 E. Lorain Street • Oberlin, OH 44074
Please contact Helen Distelhorst at hdistelhorst@marble-institute.com or 440-250-9222 if you require any additional information.

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AGAIN THIS YEAR:
A Grande Pinnacle Award will be presented to an architect!

Again this year, the award’s sponsor, Marmomacc, will present a Grande Pinnacle Award to an architect from the firm involved in the winning project. In addition, that architect will win a trip to Marmomacc to attend 2015 Veronafiere’s week-long continuing education program on designing with natural stone. The winner will receive round-trip economy airfare and complimentary hotel for five nights, as well as local meals and transportation, while taking part in this 20+ AIA/CES program.

Also this year, all Pinnacle Award of Excellence and Award of Merit winners now have the opportunity to invite an architect from the firm involved in their winning project to StonExpo/Marmomacc Americas 2015. With the generous support of Hanley Wood Exhibitions, these award-receiving architects will receive 3 nights lodging in Las Vegas and will be invited to a VIP reception. Marmomacc will invite the winning architects to take part in a full-day educational program held during StonExpo/Marmomacc Americas (the program offers 4+ AIA/CEH/HSW credits and includes complimentary lunch and dinner).

(Note: Airfare to Las Vegas is not included)

2014 Pinnacle Awards Entry Form

Please complete a separate entry form for each entry. Photocopy this form for multiple submissions or print extra forms from our web site at www.marble-institute.com.

DEADLINE: 5PM • FRIDAY, AUGUST 1, 2014

Project Category
☑ Commercial Interior ☐ Residential Interior/Exterior
☐ Commercial Exterior ☐ Renovation/Restoration
(Include “before” and “after” photos)

Project Description Attached

Project Name: _________________________________________
Company Name: _______________________________________
Address: ______________________________________________
City:__________________________________________________
State/Province: _________________________________________
ZIP/Postal Code: _______________________________________
Country: ______________________________________________
Phone:________________________________________________
Fax: __________________________________________________
E-Mail: ________________________________________________
Contact Person: _________________________________________

PLEASE NOTE: All information will be published in subsequent printed material exactly as it appears on this form.

☐ Entry Fee Enclosed*
One total payment for all entries is recommended. Entry fees are nonrefundable.

☐ $95 for first/single entry $ _____________________________
☐ ________ additional entries ($85 each) $ _______________________

Total Payment $ _____________________________

*For Wire Transfer information, please call Helen Distelhorst at the Marble Institute of America: 440-250-9222.

Payment Options
☐ Check (payable to MIA) ☐ Money Order
☐ MasterCard ☐ VISA ☐ American Express

Credit Card No.: _________________________________________
Verification Code: _____________________________________
Expiration: __________________________________________
Signature: ___________________________________________
Date: ________________________________________________

If credit card billing address is different than company address, please list info below:
Address: ______________________________________________
ZIP: __________________________________________________

☐ I have signed the Affidavit of Eligibility below.

This affidavit is to certify that all of the information submitted for the 2014 Marble Institute of America Pinnacle Awards competition is accurate and that all photographs are of the award entry.

By signing this affidavit, I give expressed consent to the Marble Institute of America to use this entry and accompanying photographs as it sees fit in promotion and publicity of the 2014 Pinnacle Awards program, and for other printed and electronic materials promoting natural stone and stone industry craftsmanship and professionalism.

Applicant represents and warrants that it owns all of the copyright and other intellectual property rights in and to the photographs and that giving the Marble Institute of America the right to utilize the photographs in the future will not infringe upon the rights and/or interests of any third party.

Print Name of Person Submitting Entry
_____________________________________________________
Signature of Person Submitting Entry
_____________________________________________________
Company
____________________________________________________
Date
_____________________________________________________

Return completed entry form, project description, photographs and entry fee to our NEW ADDRESS:
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