



AWARDS
2009 GENERAL REQUIREMENTS/ALL ENTRIES

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DEADLINES
EARLY Entry Application Deadline - April 3, 2009 \$250 each
Entry Application Deadline - April 15, 2009 \$295 each
Completed Submittal Deadline - April 22, 2009

How to Enter/Fees & Forms

Fee is \$295/entry, payable to Gold Nugget Awards. Complete an entry application form for each entry. Download electronically at www.goldnuggetawards.com. Type in requested information, and keep a copy of each application. You may submit one check for total fees; Gold Nugget Headquarters will send you official entry numbers which you must use for your submittal(s). Send all forms and materials to:

Gold Nugget Awards 10416 Hamilton Street, Alta Loma, CA 91701 800.658.2751 or 909.987.2758

Completed entry submission includes – 1 Inch 3 Ring Binder with 12 clear photo sleeves with the following materials:

1. Copy of your entry application
2. CD of Required Images, Site plan and Floor plans
3. Necessary Forms – Project information (All Cats) - Affordability, Sustainable & Green Builder (see requirements)
4. Photo or Color prints of required images, site plan and floor plans – See below

NO MORE THAN 12 Sleeves will be accepted. Additional sleeves will be removed prior to judging. NOTE: BINDER AND SLEEVES PROVIDED BY ENTRANT.

GENERAL REQUIREMENTS/ALL CATEGORIES

Identification of Materials— Except for the entry application, company or project names anywhere in, or on, the entry materials is forbidden, and will result in elimination from the competition.

Identify your drawings, prints & CD's with the serial and category numbers supplied by Gold Nugget. Label the backs of drawings and photo prints. Use a Pentel or Sharpie to label the photos and CD's.

Project Information Form—ALL ENTRIES — download electronic file. Supply all information requested for your category. DO NOT exceed 200 words, or reduce type or add pages.

Site Plan Drawings—ALL ENTRIES—Place 2 copies (one for display gallery) of project site plan in one sleeve. Drawings will vary by category; refer to category details section. Black and white or color OK. Use 8 1/2" x 11" or 11" x 17" format.

Floor Plan(s)—ALL ENTRIES EXCEPT PLANNING—Use 8 1/2" x 11" format; include total square footage excluding garages or porches, and room dimensions or approximate scale. Black and white or color OK.

Photography & Prints—ALL ENTRIES—We recommend professional architectural photography. Use 8 1/2" x 11" color prints. Check specific category requirements below for minimum photos required. In addition to forms, plans, you have the opportunity to fill up the balance of the portfolio sleeves with additional photography.

Note—Composites/multiple images on an individual page are acceptable and maybe used to show architectural or design details.

Exhibits Sequence—Present your exhibits in judge-friendly ways. Examples: front elevation photo and floor plan on facing pages; overall site and individual footprint on facing pages; related interiors on facing pages. Your goal is to convey your project clearly and concisely, without making judges search for its strong points.

CD Disk Requirements —ALL ENTRIES — Submit one CD per entry that contains required images in digital format. Images should be saved to output an image with a resolution of approximately 1800 pixels wide x 1200 pixels high at 300dpi. Save all images as a JPEG file at highest quality. Please name files with Serial # Image description (e.g. 1241 frontelevation.jpg). Floor plans: Please include clean JPEG files of floor plans and site plan.

Density Definitions Gross density is total acres divided by total units. Net density is the total buildable site area divided by the total number of units. Buildable acreage includes land that serves the project—homes, streets, parking and commons. Subtract acreage for unusable land—major slopes, wetlands, perimeter landscape lots, habitat areas or easements that cannot be integrated into the proposed development. Convert hectares or meters to acres.

SPECIFIC REQUIREMENTS AND RULES

The following supplements general requirements for categories shown. Please consult the Gold Nugget Awards Staff for situations these guidelines do not cover.

COMMERCIAL/RETAIL

Categories 1-4, 6 & 50— Project Information Form, Site Plan and Floor Plan. Submit at least six (6) photo views. Include at least three exteriors and at least one interior; additional images recommended.

RENOVATED/REHAB

Categories 5, 11-13 — Project Information Form, Site Plan and Floor Plan. For renovations and remodels, include at least one “before” view, with a maximum of 4 “befores” and 6 to 8 “afters”. Include at least three exteriors and at least one interior; additional images recommended. Before and after photos absolutely necessary and must be identified as “before” and “after”.

Categories 7-10 — Custom Homes - Project Information Form, Site Plan and Floor Plan. Submit at least 6 views. Include a front and rear elevation, or rear/slide elevation. Include at least 4 interiors, additional images are recommended. Your site plan for these categories can be for a single home (“footprint”), or part or all of the project site, or both. At least one drawing must show the home on its lot, with lot dimensions shown.

MIXED USE

Category 14 —Project Information Form, Site Plan and Floor Plan. Submit at least six (6) photo views. Include at least three exteriors and at least one interior; additional images recommended.

Categories 15 & 16 — Affordable Housing. Project Information Form, Affordability Form, Site Plan and Floor Plan. Using affordability form available online, supply clear proof of affordability. At least 20% of the units in your project must be deemed affordable by a recognized authority: NAHB, HUD, local governments are your best sources; the Internet can help with your research. Submit at least 6 views, with at least 3 exteriors and at least 3 images of your choice; additional images are recommended. Affordability form should be submitted as hard copy along with Project Information Form and Entry Application.

MULTI-FAMILY

Categories 14-20, 21-22, 36-40, 47, 53, 54 PROJECTS — Project Information Form, Site Plan and Floor Plan. Submit at least 6 views. Show at least 4 exteriors, including front and rear elevation, or rear/slide. Include at least 2 interiors. We recommend additional images showing overall view of the community and/or special architectural or planning features. Site plan should show overall site or typical cluster, with streets, alleys and commons. Data should include net density, number of units and number of building for total project. Submit one floor plan for each model or plan, or a set of the most representative models/plans. Include total square footage excluding garages and porches, and room dimensions or approximate scale. You should submit one to two building plans to illustrate methods of attachment, garage access, etc.

PLANNING

Categories 22A-25, 48, 50 — PLANNING - Project Information Form and Site Plan. Do not submit floor plans. Submit illustrations and photos that address community, neighborhood character, environmental issues, circulation, land uses, topography, innovative solutions, etc. Entry monuments, street scenes, rec areas, green belts, open space and aerial/bird’s eye views can all be helpful. Indicate product types and densities. For finished projects, submit up to 6 photographic views. On-the-Boards entries views may be photographs or images of sketches or models of major community features and various product types. NOTE: Convert hectares/meters to acres.

DETACHED PRODUCTION HOUSING

Categories 26-35— Detached Production Housing - Project Information Form, Site Plan and Floor Plan. Submit at least 6 views. Include a front and rear elevation, or rear/slide elevation. Include at least 4 interiors, additional images recommended. Your site plan for these categories can be for a single home (“footprint”), or part or all of the project site, or both. At least one drawing must show a typical home on a typical lot, with lot dimensions shown. Categories 40,41,42 Sustainable Res/Comm - Submit Project Information Form, Sustainable Form ,Site Plan, Floor Plan(s). Submit at least 6 photos or a maximum of 8 photos of Project.

ON THE BOARDS CATEGORIES

Submitted materials may be photographs of or images of sketches or models of major community features and various product types. Please provide adequate number of renderings, models etc judges to view community or project plan, refer to category requirements above for additional materials required.

SUSTAINABLE, GREEN BUILDER AND SPECIAL RECOGNITION CATEGORIES

Categories 41-43 – Sustainable - Submit Project Information Form, Sustainable Form, Site Plan, Floor Plan(s) Submit at least 4 photos or a maximum of 8 photos that emphasize community character, and at least 2 interiors> Include one set of drawings for a representative model, with energy calculations.

Category 43A – Zero Net Energy Home Design - Submit Project Information Form, ZERO Net Energy Form, Floor Plan Submit Front Rendering drawing. Download Zero Net Entry Form.

Categories 44 — California Green Builder - Submit Project Information Form , CA Green Builder Form, Site Plan, Floor Plan(s) Submit at least 6 photos or a maximum of 8 photos of community. www.cagreenbuilding.com for more info

Category 45 —Community Spirit. Project Information Form, Site Plan, and Floor Plan. Submit at least six (6) photo views. Include at least three exteriors and at least one interior; additional images recommended.

INTERNATIONAL PROJECTS

Categories 46-51 - International Awards — Project Information Form, Site Plan, and Floor Plan(s). Submit at least 6 views. Show at least 4 exteriors, including front and rear elevation, or rear/slide. Include at least 2 interiors. We recommend additional images showing overall view of the community and/or special architectural or planning features. Site plan should show overall site or typical cluster, with streets, alleys and commons. Data should include net density, number of units and number of building for total project. Submit one floor plan for each model or plan, or a set of the most representative models/plans. Include total square footage excluding garages and porches, and room dimensions or approximate scale. For attached projects, submit one to two building plans to illustrate methods of attachment, garage access, etc.

RESIDENTIAL COMMUNITY OF THE YEAR

Residential Community of the Year –to be eligible, you must also have entered:_ Detached at least one plan in categories 26-35 and Attached at least one entry in categories 14-19, 36-39

Masterplan Community of the Year - To be eligible, you must have entered at least one SFD product in categories 26-35 or attached product in categories 36-39. You must also have entered your community in Category 22-24, Site Plan.

Categories 52-55- Community of the Year — Project Information Form, Site Plan, and Floor Plan(s). Submit at least 6 views. Show at least 4 exteriors, including front and rear elevation, or rear/slide. Include at least 2 interiors. We recommend additional images showing overall view of the community and/or special architectural or planning features. Site plan should show overall site or typical cluster, with streets, alleys and commons. Data should include net density, number of units and number of building for total project. Submit one floor plan for each model or plan, or a set of the most representative models/plans. Include total square footage excluding garages and porches, and room dimensions or approximate scale. For attached projects, submit one to two building plans to illustrate methods of attachment, garage access, etc.

HOME OF THE YEAR AND JUDGES SPECIAL AWARDS

Home of the Year - To be eligible, you must also have entered at least one individual plan of your project in Categories 26-35. No additional entry fee is required. Winner is selected from the Grand Awards presented in categories 26-35.

Judges Special Awards - Awarded at judges' discretion, these awards honor extraordinary and unusual projects from any category. No additional entry fee.