

Design excellence is a fundamental part of exceptional flooring installations, and dynamic relationships between Starnet Members and the A&D community are key to their success.

Since 1998, the Starnet Design Awards have recognized the fruits of these relationships by spotlighting the innovative use of flooring. These awards celebrate the creativity and professionalism of both the A&D community and our Members, as well as the quality and versatility of Starnet Preferred Vendor flooring products.

CATEGORIES

Each entry may only be submitted in one category. If there are less than 3 entries submitted in a category, the Starnet Design Awards Committee reserves the right to contact the member to have the project reassigned to a new category and the category will not be contested. Submissions may be reassigned to a different project category at the judges discretion.

CORPORATE

Conference Rooms, Office Spaces, Work Areas, Lobbies, Break Rooms, and other Corporate Office spaces.

HEALTHCARE

Facilities like Hospitals, Clinics, Doctor's Offices, and Health Campuses with applications in operating rooms, patient rooms, entryways, reception areas, waiting rooms, dining halls, and other areas.*

*Senior Living Facilities projects should be entered in the Mixed-Use Developments category.

EDUCATION:

K-12 Schools, and Higher Education learning facilities with applications in classrooms, dining facilities, student housing, libraries, media centers, hallways, common areas, sports and recreation spaces, and more.

STAND UP AND GET NOTICED

As a Design Award winner, you not only receive the respect and admiration of your peers – your profile is raised throughout the entire flooring industry and the A & D community. Winners are celebrated on the cover of Floor Focus and in other national trade publications, as well as in local business press and online. Gold, Silver, and Bronze award winners -- and the Best Overall Project winner – will be announced at Starnet's Annual Meeting. They are presented with an engraved crystal award for outstanding achievement at local events throughout the year. The Best Overall Project's design firm receives a Grand Prize crystal award and a \$5000 donation to a recognized charity of their choice.

HOSPITALITY/PUBLIC SPACE

Properties that serve a single purpose within the same facility including hotels, restaurants, health clubs, airports, theaters, libraries, sports venues, museums, government facilities, houses of worship, stores, malls or shopping facilities.

MIXED-USE DEVELOPMENTS

Properties that encompass a single site or building and contain a minimum of two facilities including retail, office, residential, lodging, Senior Living facilities, recreation or other amenity that creates a live-work-play environment. Examples include urban mixed-use, which are generally developed vertically; and suburban mixed-use properties, which are typically developed horizontally.

UNIQUE INSTALLATION CHALLENGE

Entries need to identify and solve installation challenges. Examples include solutions for complex floor failures, project logistics, site conditions, time/budget constraints, integrating multiple floorcovering materials, intricate pattern detailing, alternative use of materials and other scenarios that uniquely challenged the overall project.

JUDGING CRITERIA

Entries in all categories will be judged on the synthesis of form and function, with the floor as the focus, including these specific criteria:

- Creative use of flooring
- Flooring design and integration into the overall space
- Successful meeting of client objectives

Entries in the Unique Installation Challenge category will also be judged on the successful meeting of installation challenges.

Judges will be selected from respected industry firms. Gold, Silver and Bronze may not be awarded in all categories with five entries or less; the number of awards will be at the sole discretion of this panel, as are all winning selections.

PEOPLE'S CHOICE AWARDS

Starnet Members and Preferred Vendor Partners can vote for their favorite projects in the People's Choice Awards. The projects receiving the most votes on the Design Award website will receive Gold, Silver and Bronze awards, respectively.

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

Starnet Members working in collaboration with design firms, project architects or their own internal design resources are invited and encouraged to submit entries.

Each project and supporting images entered in the awards must contain at least 80% of Starnet Preferred Vendor Products. The Starnet Member must have purchased and installed 80% or more of the qualifying products. Individual entries may only be submitted in one category. A complete list of Preferred Vendors is available on the Starnet Members only website S-Net.

ENTRY MATERIALS

Deadline for entries is February 4, 2019

All entries must be submitted online at the Starnet Design Awards site at designawards.starnetflooring.com.

1. ONLINE ENTRY FORM Each entry requires its own form and all fields must be completed.

2. PHOTOGRAPHY Submit up to seven professional-quality, high-resolution digital photographs. Images should be 300 dpi or higher at 8" x 10". All images should be saved as .tifs or .jpg files and uploaded to the Design Awards website. Prints are not acceptable. Cell phone images are discouraged as the low resolution does not reproduce well with promotional materials. A valid Photography Release form is also required for each entry.

3. PROJECT STRATEGY Submit a brief statement describing your project. The strategy must cover the nature of the client's business, and emphasize any special design challenges, requirements or constraints you faced.

Enter online no later than February 4, 2019 at designawards.starnetflooring.com.

You must log on with your S-Net user name and password.

If you need more information or have any questions, please call Rob Starr, Director of Marketing and Member Services, at 1.888.239.8675 ext 7 or email rob@starnetflooring.com.

All entries will be prescreened for compliance with rules. Winners are responsible for all taxes. Void where prohibited by law. Employees of Starnet Worldwide Commercial Flooring Cooperative, its advertising, public relations, and promotional agencies, and their relatives are ineligible.