



Purpose

The aim of the City of Nedlands Civic Design Awards is to recognise excellence and award projects that demonstrate outstanding examples of heritage conservation, contemporary planning, design, landscape, public art and/or other projects contributing to the quality of the City of Nedlands built environment.

The projects must illustrate high quality architecture or design and demonstrate best practice.

The awards will encourage improvement in the built environment and promote good contemporary design to provide positive benefits to the community, both present and future.

The awards operate every two years and a certificate will be presented to the winner(s) and any finalists.

Categories

Category	Criteria
Residential	Dwellings showing excellence in contemporary design, responsiveness to the lot and location and contributing to the appreciation of urban design. Projects will need to include quality in finishes and materials and demonstrate functionality, livability and accessibility, balancing consistency and variety and include quality outdoor living spaces and their relationship with indoor living.
Non-residential	Projects displaying innovative solutions, allowing for change and adaptation, legibility, integrated functional open spaces, spatial connection for people and transport and activation.
Public art and landscape design	Projects (including playgrounds and schools) that respond to the built and natural environment, contribute to place-making and have cultural and/or historical context. Projects showing innovative design, high quality execution and best practice, also having a positive impact on the surrounding area and fostering a sense of community. With respect to landscape design, this includes the preservation of existing natural vegetation.
Heritage	Development incorporating the conservation, preservation or rehabilitation of a building(s) with heritage significance. Must conserve, complement and enhance values of the heritage place and include adaptive re-use.

Judging

The projects will be judged on their merits using the criteria set out against each category. Projects may extend over one or more categories.

The judging panel will consist of four members: two councillors and two community members. They will be chosen by Council, following a call for nominations. It is preferred the community members will be people with relevant experience and/or qualifications in fields such as heritage, architecture, design, building or similar. All will be required to make disclosures of any interests.



Conditions of entry

1. The City of Nedlands Civic Design Awards are open to all City of Nedlands property owners and residents. They are also open to architects, designers, builders and government agencies that have undertaken projects within the City of Nedlands.
2. All entries should identify the category they are entering into.
3. All entries require the name of the nominee(s) and signature of the property owner(s) for the project being nominated.
4. Projects that are the subject of an entry must be completed or substantially completed to warrant consideration.
5. Entries are assessed on the basis of information supplied and the judges may decide not to consider any entry that supplies insufficient information, regardless of the quality of the project.
6. Certificates will be awarded to the nominee(s) of a winning project. Judges may award more than one certificate to the various entities involved with the project.
7. The judges may conduct a site inspection of any nominated building.
8. The judges reserve the right not to award a certificate in all or any of the categories if there are no projects of sufficient merit.
9. The judges' decision is final. No correspondence will be entered into.
10. The City of Nedlands reserves the right to use entries for marketing and promotional purposes.
11. A plaque may possibly be installed at the winning site(s), completely at the discretion of the judges in consultation with the nominee(s) and owner.

Entry requirements

The requirements for submitting an entry are as follows:

- A completed entry form.
- A written summary addressing the judging criteria for the topic nominated (not more than two pages).
- Supporting photographs of the project before the works (if available) and upon completion (or substantial completion).
- Any other supporting information that may be relevant, such as drawings or plans, historic photographs or research undertaken to guide the work (note this is optional and an entry will not be penalised if no supporting information is provided).
- All documentation can be provided in an **electronic format (preferable method)**, in person to the City's offices or via traditional mail.

Submission of entry

Please send your entry form and supporting documents to:

Email: council@nedlands.wa.gov.au

In person: Visit the Administration Centre, 71 Stirling Highway, Nedlands

Mail: 2018 Civic Design Awards
City of Nedlands, PO Box 9, Nedlands WA 6009