



501C3 Entity Number: C7527-1990

2021 Trophy Awards

Call for Entries

Awards to be presented at the NLA Awards Banquet
November 5, 2021 in the Atlantis Ballroom
(subject to current COVID19 restrictions)

Trophy Awards encourage interest in landscaping, recognize craftsmen who produce outstanding landscapes, create pride in superior workmanship and bestow public recognition on companies for their interest in building pride in the Green Industry and in keeping Nevada beautiful. The awards represent the pride these individuals and companies have in their work and their dedication to excellence and professionalism within the Green Industry.

All entries must be received by August 27th, 2021 or a late fee of \$35 will be charged for each late entry.
No entries will be accepted after September 3rd, 2021. Judging will take place on September 10th, 2021.

Entry Fee

The fee is \$70/entry. If you enter the same property into 3 categories, 3 entry forms must be completed and 3 entry fees of \$70 each must be paid.

Nevada Landscape Association Members may receive one free entry.

Entry Deadline / Late Fees

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Judging Date

September 10th, 2021 (weather dependent)

Entry Requirements

Incomplete entries will be returned. Each entry must include the following:

- Completed entry form (all 3 pages)
- Payment of entry fee
- Signed project owner's consent
- 3 Photographs of the finished project (on a disc, flash drive or printed) – send before photos if you have them, they help judges understand the full scope of the work
- Map and directions to project site
- Project plans (if needed)

3 Ways to Enter

Mail to: Nevada Landscape Association
4790 Caughlin Pkwy #253
Reno, NV 89519

Email to: Info@NevadaLA.com

Online at: www.NevadaLA.com

Entry Rules

The Trophy Awards Committee reserves the right to interpret all questions and conditions regarding these awards without recourse of any kind. Any questions not covered in these rules shall be decided by the Trophy Awards Committee. Their decision will be final. The rules for entry are as follows:

- Awards competition is open to members in good standing or to entries who pay the entry fee and a membership fee, with the exception of special awards.
- Special awards are by nomination only – no fee is required.
- Limit of 2 entries per category per company.
- Entry deadlines cannot be extended.
- Entry Forms must be filled out completely & accurately... **do not make any reference to your company on any page other than Page 1.**
- Describe your project in detail – it helps judges understand the complexity of the job.
- At least 3 photographs are required.
- Attach map and specific directions to project site.
- As built plans are preferred for construction and custom-built entries.
- Judges must be allowed access to the project site with owner's consent.
- Installation projects cannot be more than 2 years old and must be completed before judging.
- Maintenance projects must have begun by 4/1/2021.
- Projects that did not win the previous year may be re-entered.
- All entrants must have all required licenses for submitted work.
- Violation of any of the above rules may result in disqualification and forfeiture of fees.



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*** Judging the Entries ***

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Judging Procedures

- Judges will apply NLA standards.
- Judges are selected based on their knowledge, integrity and objectivity.
- Committee members cannot be judges.
- Entries are not judged against one another; each entry is judged on its own merit.
- Each entry is judged without knowledge of who entered the project; the contractor is anonymous.
- Judges reserve the right to change the category in which an entry is designated for consideration. Entrants will be notified.
- Type, size and cost of projects are not considered criteria for judging; these are only used to determine the appropriate category.
- Each entry is judged independently on site by the judges using separate judging sheets. Judges must then reach a consensus to decide award winners of each category.
- Awards will be presented to the top entrants, regardless of the category.

Installation/Renovation Entries

- Grading & Drainage (subsurface/surface)
- Quality of Plant Installation (tree staking, mulch, elevation, selection and placement)
- Design/Plant Palette (quality/appropriateness of the plant material and the harmony of design within the surroundings)
- Quality of Lawn & Edging
- Irrigation Design & Water Management (meets industry standards)
- Hardscape (as part of installation or renovation)
- Water Feature (as part of installation or renovation)

Maintenance Entries

- General Appearance
- Groundcover (within bounds, density, color)
- Trees (staking, pruning, tree wells, pest free)

- Shrubs (shearing vs. proper pruning, natural form, pest free)
- Lawn (color, mowing height, pest free)
- Edging (vertical vs. tapered)
- Annuals/Perennials (color, harmony, density, species for area, mulch, surface treatment of planting beds)
- Irrigation (water management, coverage, scheduling, meets industry standards)
- Water Feature (as part of regular maintenance)

Water Feature Entries

- Artistic Design
- Setting & Grading
- Form & Function
- Blending with the Landscaping
- Water Clarity, Circulation, Filtration, Skimming
- Planting & Management of Aquatic Plants & Perimeter Landscape Plants
- Flow of Water or Fountain (sound, size, effect)

Hardscape/Outdoor Living Entries

- Creative Use
- Structural Integrity
- Blending with the Surroundings
- Quality of Material
- Drainage
- Outdoor Kitchen
- Fire Pit
- Fireplace
- Pizza Oven
- Bubbler Fountain

Landscape Lighting Entries (judged at dark)

- Design & Placement
- Fixture Use & Quality
- Installation (wire and transformer)
- Blending with the Landscaping
- Creativity & Dramatic Effect
- Safety & Security
- Controls



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Categories & Special Awards

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Category # Installation/Renovation

- 1 Large Commercial or Public Installation – landscaping costs exceeding \$50,000
- 2 Small Commercial or Public Installation – landscaping costs under \$50,000
- 3 Small Commercial Renovation – under \$50,000 (require before and after photos)
- 4 Large Commercial Renovation – above \$50,000 (require before and after photos)
- 5 Small Residential Renovation – under \$50,000 (require before and after photos)
- 6 Large Residential Renovation – above \$50,000 (require before and after photos)
- 7A Large Residential Installation – landscaping costs exceeding \$50,000
- 8A Small Residential Installation – landscaping costs under \$50,000

Maintenance

- 7B Large Commercial or Public Maintenance – monthly contract \$4,000 and up
- 8B Medium Commercial or Public Maintenance – monthly contract between \$1,500 and \$4,000
- 9 Small Commercial or Public Maintenance – monthly contract less than \$1,500
- 10 Large Residential Maintenance – monthly contract \$500 and up
- 11 Small Residential Maintenance – monthly contract less than \$500

Special Features (included as part of installation entry and/or entered in separate category)

- 12 Water Features
- 13 Hardscape Entry/Outdoor Living – under \$25,000
- 14 Hardscape Entry/Outdoor Living – above \$25,000
- 15 Landscape Lighting

Special Awards

- **NLA Environmental Water Conservation Award** – decided upon by the judges, the best design/build by a licensed landscape contractor resulting in a water efficient and environmentally balanced landscape that does not sacrifice the quality of the design nor the quality of life.
- **President's Award** – decided upon by the judges and given to the individual or company who has the best overall entry.
- **Lifetime Achievement Award** – voted on by members of the NLA and given to individuals who have represented the NLA in a memorable fashion throughout the years.
- **Tony Armstrong Humanitarian Award** – voted on by members of the NLA and given to an individual or company who has given unselfishly of their labor or materials to benefit the community.
- **Education Research Award** – voted on by members of the NLA and given to the individual or company who has contributed to the education of the members of the Green Industry or done research that has benefited the Green Industry.
- **Pam Bedard Ambassador Award** – voted on by members of the NLA and given to the individual that has best served as a representative for the Green Industry.



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2021 Trophy Awards Entry Form p1

Judge's Information

Category #: _____ Category Name: _____

Project Name: _____

Judge's #: _____

Type or print in ink all the information requested, as this form must be filled out completely and legibly. Partially completed forms will be returned. Each entry requires a separate entry form - if you are submitting the same project in more than one category, you must fill out a separate entry form for each category. **Include your company name and information ONLY on page 1. Inclusion of or reference to company name and/or info on any other page is grounds for disqualification.**

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Project Information

Category #: _____ Category Name: _____

Project Name: _____

Project Owner: _____ Project Owner's Phone: _____

Project Address: _____ City: _____ Zip: _____

Project Designer: _____

Is this project entered into another category? No
 Yes (which one/s): _____

I certify that the above information is true and correct: _____
Contractor Signature Date

Owner's Consent

I hereby grant permission to enter my property or premises for the purpose of judging, photographing and publicizing the landscape project in this competition to the accredited representatives of the Nevada Landscape Association. It is understood that no fees or charges of any kind are required by me. (It is the contractor's and/or homeowner's responsibility to provide access to the project being judged – entries with locked gates or unattended dogs will not be judged.)

X _____
Project Owner's Printed Name Project Owner's Signature Date

Entrant (Contractor) Information

Company: _____ Phone: _____

Address: _____ City: _____ Zip: _____

Contact Person: _____ Title: _____

Contact Phone: _____ Email: _____

Payment Information

Method of Payment: Credit Card (info below) Check (make payable to Nevada Landscape Association)

Name on Card: _____

Address (Billing): _____ City: _____ Zip: _____

Credit Card Number: _____

Expiration Date: _____ Security Code: _____



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Judge's Information

Category #: _____ Category Name: _____

Project Name: _____

Judge's #: _____

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INSTALLATION/RENOVATION	Work Completed by Your Company	Work Completed by Sub-Contractor	Work Not Part of the Contract	Judges Score (1-10)	
• Grading & Drainage	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	
• Quality of Plant Installation	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	
• Design/Plant Palette					TOTAL:
• By Contractor	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	
• By Architect/Designer	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	
• Quality of Lawn & Edging	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	
• Irrigation Design & Water Management	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	AVERAGE:
• Hardscape (as part of Installation/Renovation)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	
• Water Feature (as part of Installation/Renovation)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	

MAINTENANCE	Work Completed by Your Company	Work Completed by Sub-Contractor	Work Not Part of the Contract	Judges Score (1-10)	
• General Appearance	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	TOTAL:
• Ground Cover/Trees/Shrubs	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	
• Lawn	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	
• Edging	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	
• Annuals/Perennials	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	AVERAGE:
• Irrigation	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	
• Water Feature	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	

SPECIAL FEATURES (separate category from Installation/Renovation)	Work Completed by Your Company	Work Completed by Sub-Contractor	Work Not Part of the Contract	Judges Score (1-10)	
Water Feature Project Value: _____					
• Artistic Design	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	TOTAL:
• Setting & Grading	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	
• Form & Function	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	
• Blending with the Landscaping	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	
• Water Clarity/Circulation/Filtration/Skimming	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	AVERAGE:
• Planting & Management of Aquatic Plants/Perimeter Landscape Plants	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	
• Flow of Water or Fountain (sound, size, effect)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	

Hardscape/Outdoor Living	Work Completed by Your Company	Work Completed by Sub-Contractor	Work Not Part of the Contract	Judges Score (1-10)	
Project Value: _____					
• Creative Use	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	
• Structural Integrity	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	
• Blending with the Surroundings	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	
• Quality of Material	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	TOTAL:
• Drainage	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	
• Outdoor Kitchen	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	
• Fire Pit	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	
• Fireplace	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	AVERAGE:
• Pizza Oven	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	
• Bubbler Fountain	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	

Landscape Lighting	Work Completed by Your Company	Work Completed by Sub-Contractor	Work Not Part of the Contract	Judges Score (1-10)	
Project Value: _____					
• Design & Placement	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	TOTAL:
• Fixture Use & Quality	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	
• Installation (wire & transformer)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	
• Blending with the Landscaping	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	AVERAGE:
• Creativity & Dramatic Effect	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	
• Safety & Security	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	
• Controls	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	



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Judge's Information

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Project Name: _____

Judge's #: _____

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Project Directions & Details

Project Owner: _____ Project Owner's Phone: _____

Project Address: _____ City: _____ Zip: _____

Gate Code Information: _____

Specific Directions & Notes (please be very specific... supply a Google Map): _____

Describe your project in detail. Help us understand its challenges: _____

From the Judge

Give helpful comments to the contractor about this project (please write clearly): _____
