

CALL FOR CREATIVE INSTALLATION ENTRY

This category is intended to recognize manufacturers, dealers, installers, product designers, and the importance of our IIDA Industry members. While it often goes unnoticed, we want you to show off your best and most successful installations that highlight the products you proudly represent!

SIGN UP AT IIDAOKKY.ORG/DESIGN-AWARDS

ALL ENTRIES ARE DUE BY 11:59 PM FRIDAY, JULY 24TH, 2026 | EVENT ON FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 25, 2026.

INTRODUCTION

The Ohio Kentucky Interior Design Awards is an event hosted every other year celebrating the innovative, exemplary interior design projects and successes of our IIDA members across Ohio and Kentucky. For several years, our Chapter has recognized design excellence within each City Center, now elevating the program to celebrate Chapter-wide. This year's inaugural celebration will occur on Friday, September 25th, 2026, in Cleveland, Ohio.

ABOUT THE CREATIVE INSTALLATION CATEGORY

This award is created to recognize Manufacturer's Representatives and their crucial role in the design industry. This is an opportunity for you to highlight a unique application of the product in a single space. Again, this award is open to manufacturers, dealers, installers, product designers, and the importance of our IIDA Industry members.

SCHEDULE

May 20th, 2026: Virtual Launch Party

May 20th, 2026: Call for Early Bird Entry Opens

June 10th, 2026: Call for Early Bird Entry Closes

July 24th, 2026: Call for Regular Entry Closes

July 1st, 2026: Event Ticket Sales Begin

August 1st - August 28th, 2026: Jury Review of Submissions

September 25th, 2026: The Ohio Kentucky Interior Design Awards

HOW TO ENTER

The submission process is entirely digital; no hard copy submissions are accepted.

1. **ORGANIZE** all documentation needed for the entry process (see ENTRY DETAILS below).
2. **VISIT** the event website at iidaohky.org/design-awards and begin Creative Installation Submission registration. This will guide you through all steps of the submission process.
3. **PAYMENT** for all projects must be done at the same time. Credit card is the only accepted form of payment and is completed directly through the entry website during the registration process. Email confirmation and receipt of payment will be automatically emailed to you.
 - a. Entry Fees: \$250.00 per entry

ENTRY DETAILS

Be prepared to fill in the following information into an online form during registration.

1. **DESCRIPTION:** Please provide a project description (500 words maximum) detailing the installation. The narrative should focus on the application of product design, specifically highlighting how the product was utilized in an innovative, unexpected, or technically complex manner. This award is open to manufacturers, dealers, installers, product designers, etc. We are looking to celebrate projects where the creative use of a product became the defining catalyst of the installation, demonstrating both technical ingenuity and a clear departure from standard application practices.
2. **TIMELINE:** Project entries must be built work, substantially completed since January 1, 2023, regardless of project size, geographical location, budget, style, or building type.
3. **SUBMITTED BY:** Projects must be submitted by an Industry IIDA member in good standing with the International Interior Design Association OH KY Chapter with a territory within the boundaries of the Ohio Kentucky Chapter.
4. **PROJECT INFORMATION:**
 - a. Project Name, Location (*if client name cannot be shared, describe as "Confidential Client")
 - b. Manufacturer of Product should be provided. Sales representative responsible for facilitating specification, Design firm that originated specification, and product installers may be additionally credited.
 - c. Square footage or other relevant statistics may be included in the **DESCRIPTION**
 - d. Acknowledge design team including Interior Designer, Architect, Consultants, Manufacturers, or other relevant contributors.
5. **HIGH RESOLUTION IMAGES:**
 - a. Your choice of up to four (4) of the best images representing the project.
 - b. Label as: Manufacturer_Project Name_Image 1 and Manufacturer_Project Name_Image 2
 - c. Include vendor logo
 - d.

6. UPLOAD:

- a. Once your entry is complete, upload the images to the following site:
<https://iidaohky.cpiam.com/2026-IIDA-Ohio-Kentucky-Design-Awards/registration>
- b. Once your upload is successfully uploaded and payment has been processed, you will receive an email from the IIDA Ohio Kentucky Chapter confirming it was received.
- c. Please remember that the submission deadline is **11:59 PM FRIDAY, JULY 24TH, 2026**.