



20th Annual Renovation & Custom Home Awards

*Industry recognition plus unbelievable exposure at BILD's
"Destination Renovation" home show feature!*

Nomination Categories:

- A Best Home Renovation under \$75,000**
- B Best Home Renovation \$75,000 to \$150,000**
- C Best Home Renovation \$150,000 to \$300,000**
- D Best Home Renovation \$300,000 to \$500,000**
- E Best Home Renovation \$500,000 or more**
- F Best Condominium Suite Renovation**
- K Best Custom Home**
- M Renovator of the Year ***

* physical exhibit submission required to complete submission entry

SUBMISSION RULES AND INFORMATION

Eligibility Requirements

Open for projects undertaken by BILD renovator or builder member companies in good standing. Projects undertaken and/or completed between September 1, 2016 until October 31, 2017 may be submitted.

Award finalists and winners must be BILD members in good standing at the time of submission and awards to be recognized.

Definitions

"Renovation" refers to residential home (single, semi, townhome, or condominium suite)
"Custom Home" open to Tarion registered builders.

Judging Criteria

A – K Category Nominations: These awards recognize the best residential renovation (or custom home) that addresses the client's needs within their budget as it relates to site considerations, renovation solutions, features, and any special problems relating to the existing structure or site.

Entries will be judged on four principles including:

- overall interior and/or exterior appeal
- special or unique design
- creative and efficient use of space and functionality of the floor plan
- general rating reflecting various elements including how the renovator addressed the client's needs within their budget relative to how the renovator dealt with site considerations, any special challenges relating to the existing structure, and any innovative renovation/design solutions and features

Renovator of the Year (M): This Award highlights the renovation company who sets the standard for the rest of the renovation sector by their leadership in improving the overall image of the renovation industry. Company must also submit at least one entry within one of the other six (A-F) categories to be eligible.

Entries will be judged based on the renovation company's overall professionalism (50%) as well as their contributions to the industry, the Association and the community (50%). By professionalism, we mean the way in which the renovator satisfies clients so that they generate positive word of mouth not only about the individual company, but renovation itself and the professional renovation sector.

Download the file "Renovator_of_the_Year_Client_template.xls" to provide a client list of 15 recent (minimum of eight) homeowner references and the entry sponsor which may be a client or a BILD member. Include your company name in the saved file name and upload to your submission before finalizing and submitting payment.

Submit hard copy exhibit requirements* including: copies of customer or other testimonials or similar supporting information (include community/charity contact information) as directed in the next "submission format" section.

Submission Format

The online submission tool gives you flexibility to begin the submission process. Entries are saved as draft allowing you to resume the submission process and edit before finalizing and submitting payment the entry.

Each entry must fulfill the submission requirements as defined. Some categories have specific requirements so be sure to read the entry criteria carefully and ensure that all required materials are uploaded or delivered to BILD's office by the deadline to complete the submission entry.

Renovator of the Year (M) nomination requires at least one entry within one of the other six (A-F) categories to be eligible. You will need to submit at least one entry with payment before you proceed with this submission.

***Seven (7) sets** of the hard copy supporting documentation for **category M** must be received at BILD by the submission deadline. Send to: Attention: Renovation & Custom Home Awards, BILD, 20 Upjohn Road, Suite 100, Toronto, ON M3B 2V9.

BILD reserves the right to disqualify incomplete submissions without notice or refund.

Photo Images and Uploads

Only high resolution digital photos 300 DPI will only be accepted in the **.jpg format**. Images may be enlarged up to 12" x 12". Photo images must not be altered or enhanced in any manner.

Six (6) high resolution digital colour images per entry showing before and after photos (minimum two "**before**" shots for categories **A to F** illustrating work undertaken). These

images would be uploaded to the “Project Images” tab. Note that images are displayed to the judges in the order they have been uploaded.

Each photo image should be clearly named for each project entry. For example:

C_XYZ_construction_YongeSt_1.jpg

(CategoryCode_Company_ProjectStreetName_photonumber).

Do not use special characters or symbols in the file name.

If submitting more than one category entry, ensure it is easy to identify files belonging to a specific submission when using the above file naming protocol. Your uploaded images will be appear together in your “**images gallery**” and will then need to be added to the specific submission.

If taking your own photos, set quality to the highest option but do not use digital cameras below 3 megapixels. Do not submit web photos which are only 72 DPI. Photos must not include company identification or signage within the actual image. For privacy reasons, people or identifying objects must not appear in any photos.

A company logo file is required to be uploaded to the gallery once. You will then select to add for each submission entry from the image gallery.

For judging purposes only, additional photos and floor plans must be saved in .jpg format and uploaded to the entry under the “Other Images/Floor Plans” tab.

Navigating the Online Submission Tool

Login to renoawards.ca using your BILD username and password (Note: the password field is CaseSensitive). Entries are grouped by the username, so as a best practice, add all your submissions using the same username login.

There are two tabs at the top of the navigation screen, Drafts and Completed where your entries are listed.

Drafts: Entries remain as “Drafts” so you may begin submitting and save the information to return at a later date to edit and complete. Beside “Describe Submission”, select “Click to View Criteria” to enable you address the judging criteria within your description.

A checkbox appears on the right side of every entry when all online requirements have been provided.

A “red dot” reminds you to return to “finalize submission” – missing elements are highlighted in red.

All the elements must be finalized in order to proceed to “submit” for payment.

Completed: Lists entry(s) that have been submitted with payment.

To start another entry, select the “save” button, then select the “View All Drafts” button so the screen refreshes allowing you to select either the “Create New Submission” or “Submit” buttons.

To proceed to the payment option, you may select the checkbox (one or several at a time) and press the “Submit” button and enter your payment information. Only “completed” entries will be judged.

Judging

BILD will appoint an independent panel of renovator builder judges who will determine up to 3 finalists and a single winner in each category. Names of finalists may be released in advance. Names of the winners will not be revealed until presentation at the Industry Luncheon in March 2018.

Recognition Policy

Awards are presented to the renovator or builder member company. Only BILD members will be acknowledged where other firms are named for credit contribution (e.g. architect/technologist, designer) where applicable. Accuracy of spelling and information submitted is the responsibility of the submitter.

Entry Fee and Deadline

A – M \$ 300 + HST = \$ 339.00 per submission. The completion of the online submission process requires credit card payment.

All entries must be completed and where applicable submission materials received at BILD no later than 5:00 p.m. on Tuesday, November 14, 2017. Under no circumstances will this deadline be extended.

Submissions for A - K retries will be displayed within the Destination Renovation feature. A PDF file of each submission will be provided via email in May.

Disclosure

Please note that any content submitted as part of the nomination may be used in displays, communication or promotional materials by BILD.

BILD reserves the right to exclude submissions from display at the Fall, GTA, and National Home Show exhibits with NO REFUND for entries not conforming to submission criteria or rules and to re-categorize or drop whole categories depending upon the submissions. All submissions become the property of BILD. BILD does not guarantee return of any entry exhibit materials or images. The submitter is responsible to obtain consent from their client to be in compliance with The Privacy Act pertaining to the promotional use and public display of these digital photograph images.

Information

For further information regarding Renovation & Custom Home Award entries, please call Helen Batista, Vice President, Membership Services at 416-391-5785 or Al Gangani, Membership Coordinator at 416-391-3447.