

## APSP REGION 3 DESIGN AWARDS

### Judging Criteria

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- Installations must have been completed during the five (5)-year period prior to entry deadline
- An installation may be resubmitted in subsequent competitions if it meets the above eligibility and has not won a medal (i.e., gold, silver, or bronze) in a previous year. **An Entry can be resubmitted if it won an Award of Merit in a previous year.**
- An installation may **NOT** be entered in more than one category in any given year.
- No awards will be given to any entries obviously not in compliance with applicable APSP/ANSI standards. Any entry that does not adhere to the rules and regulations of the competition may be disqualified. Entries depicting use of any alcoholic beverages are not eligible for an award. Entrants will not be notified if an entry is disqualified, nor will entry fees be refunded.

### The Judging Process

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- Judges do NOT know the names of entrants, as all entries are identified only by number.
- Judges focus on the aesthetic features of the installation, including **landscaping and/or other amenities that enhance the harmony created**. Photographically observable factors such as **workmanship, soundness of design, and safety measures required by existing standards**, are also considered. Any entry which does not include the entrant's affirmation of conformance with applicable ANSI Standards or any applicable mandatory design code of a government having jurisdiction over the installation site cannot be considered in the judging.
- Industry judges will not be allowed to judge in categories where he/she has submitted entries. Decisions of **APSP Region 3** or the judges as to eligibility will be final. **APSP Region 3** reserves the right to waive requirements in extenuating circumstances, without giving rise to any right of any party to seek similar waiver in any circumstances.
- At the review committee discretion, any number of medal awards (i.e., Gold Medal, Silver Medal, Bronze Medal), may be presented in each category of entry. However, the review committee does NOT have to recognize any entries in a category if the entries do not receive significant point totals to merit an award.