



2019 Innovation and Excellence Awards

Design Consultants Award



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Intent

The Queensland Major Contractors Award (QMCA) was established to recognise the outstanding contribution of major contractors to the Queensland Civil Infrastructure sector.

Since 2017, the awards have focused on innovation in the civil infrastructure sector. In 2018, the QMCA expanded its range of awards to:

- QMCA Contractors Award
- QMCA Design Consultants Award
- QMCA Subcontractors and Suppliers Award
- Ian Harrington Award

The QMCA Design Consultants Award showcases the most innovative concept in an engineering discipline associated with a civil infrastructure project in Queensland.

Eligibility

To be eligible for the QMCA Design Consultant Award, entrants/entries must adhere to the following criteria:

- The idea/concept must have been applied/constructed/executed in the last two years.
- Entrants must be based or have an office in Queensland.
- The project in which the innovation has been conducted must be located in Queensland.
- The submitted idea/concept must demonstrate innovation in excellence within the civil infrastructure sector. Please note this includes industrial and resource projects but excludes residential or commercial building projects.
- By submitting an entry, copyright for use of all entry materials is assigned to the QMCA.

For this category entrants/entries are not required to be:

- A QMCA member.
- Ideas/concepts do not have to have been realised on a QMCA member project.

Key Dates

- Registrations of Interest (Rols) close **Friday 5 July**. A non-refundable entry fee of \$2,000 (+ GST) is to be paid on submission of the Rol.
- Full submissions are due by **Friday 9 August**
- Awards will be presented at QMCA's annual Awards long lunch on **Friday 13 September**.



Evaluation Criteria

Each entry will be assessed on how it responds to the following criteria:

Criteria	Weighting	Description
Originality	25%	Is it a new and unique contribution to the civil construction industry in Queensland?
Impact	25%	What are the implications?
Return on Investment	25%	What is the benefit and who does it apply to?
Applicability	25%	How accessible and easy to use? Can it be made broadly available? Does it fulfil a need/purpose?

The Process

Step 1 – Registrations of Interest

Entrants are to complete a written Registration of Interest submission of 500 words maximum completed via the online application form found on the QMCA website:

<http://qmca.com.au>.

RoI Entry – Contact details	
Company Name	
Contact Name	
Email address	
Postal Address	
Mobile	
Secondary Contact Name	
Secondary Contact Email Address	
Project details	
Project Name	
Client	
Major Contractor	
Project Award Date	
Planned Project Completion Date	
Project Value	
RoI summary (Max. 500 words)	
Summarise the innovative idea and concept of your project. Provide evidence into its originality, creativity and why it's applicable for this award. Describe the positive impacts your concept has made on project achievements and milestones, i.e. return on investment, productivity, industry influence.	



A non-refundable entry fee of \$2,000 (+ GST) must accompany your Rol and be EFT'd to QMCA at:

Bank Details

NAB

BSB: 084 424

Account No: 12395 1076

Account Name: Queensland Major Contractors Association

Step 2 – Full Submissions

All entrants must provide a clear and concise submission. Objective information should be provided to ensure the judges can appreciate the scope of the approach and degree of success obtained. All entrants must ensure the evaluation criteria requirements are addressed in their submissions. Entries will be judged based on the evaluation criteria.

The full submission will comprise of:

- A written submission of 10,000 words maximum (including any attachments)
- Written submission can be desktop published but must be submitted in pdf format. Font must be larger than Arial 10 font or equivalent sized font.
- A single page summary nominating the top 10 highlights. (Note, this will not be included in the word count).
- High resolution photographs submitted in jpg format, maximum 20 photos.

Please email your submission to the QMCA Secretariat at admin@qmca.com.au. Hard copies are not necessary. Full submissions are due **Friday 9 August 2019**.

Step 3 – Judging

Once submissions close on **Friday 9 August**, all entries will be provided to the judges for evaluation.

Step 4 – Award Presentation

The winner will be announced at the annual QMCA Award long-lunch on **Friday 13 September** at the Brisbane Convention & Exhibition Centre, South Bank.