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2018 MASTER BUILDERS ASSOCIATION OF PIERCE COUNTY
REMODELING EXCELLENCE (REX) AWARDS
ENTRY PACKET

Entry packet due at MBA Pierce office or online DropBox by:
April 20, 2018 @ 4:30 pm

Winning projects will be announced during the annual
REX Awards Gala on Tuesday, May 22, 2018

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Entry Rules

Read the **Project Tips Sheet** (page 4) for additional information before submitting your project. For additional information, please contact Lisa Simmons at 253.254.0082

Project Checklist
Each *Entry Form* must include the following:
- Completed *Entry Form,* for each entry
- Entry fee: $100 per project
- Project photos (no more than 16 for whole house, 12 for all other projects) on a flashdrive (including at least 2 before pictures.) or online at :
  https://www.cognitoforms.com/MBAPierce/_2018RemodelingExcellenceREXSubmissions
- Project floor plans (line drawing are OK) printed or on flashdrive / DropBox
- Project descriptions (100-word Project Overview & 400-word Project Outline) on separate files (sheets of paper)
- ONE PROJECT PHOTO 5 x 7 Before / ONE PROJECT PHOTO 8 x 10 AFTER for Story Board.
- ONE 5 x 7 photo of Entrant for Participant Board – ONLY one needed
- Mail packet to MBA of Pierce County *(please, no emails), bring completed packet to MBA Office, or submit online at*
  https://www.cognitoforms.com/MBAPierce/_2018RemodelingExcellenceREXSubmissions

Completed MBA REX *Entry Form(s)* must be received at the MBA Office by 4:30 pm, April 20, 2018
(Did you include everything?)

Send or Deliver packets to:
>   MBA of Pierce County – REX Awards
>   Attn: Lisa Simmons
>   3711 Center St
>   Tacoma, WA 98409

Please do not send entry forms/submittal packets via email.

Important REX Awards Requirements and Criteria
- REX awards are intended to recognize remodeling projects that demonstrate outstanding excellence and professionalism in design, materials, creativity, etc.
- You must be a current MBAPC member AND a current Remodelors™ Council member OR a current Design Professionals Council member to enter the REX Awards.
- Current MBAPC RC Builder Members may enter all categories.
- Current MBAPC RC or DPC Associate Members may enter categories – 20 Outdoor Living, 21 Landscaping, 22 Residential Specialty/Open 23 Interior Design and 24 Architecture.
- All entrants must be current members of MBA PIERCE and Remodelors™ Council or the MBA PIERCE and the Design Professionals Council prior to the entry deadline (April 20, 2018.)
- Projects must have been completed after January 1, 2016.

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- Photos, floor plans and descriptions should be recorded on a CD, DVD, flash drive, or online (flash drive can be returned).
- Project photos, floor plans and descriptions may not be marked with any form of company identification – this included name of architect or pictures of individuals in the photos of before.
- Submit your entry packet via US mail, hand deliver to MBA Office, or submit online at https://www.cognitoforms.com/MBAPierce/_2018RemodelingExcellenceREXSubmissions.
- You may submit your own home for an entry project.

Photos

- *Before and after photos*—digital (jpeg format preferred)
- Submit a total of no more than 16 photos for whole house – 12 for all other projects – at least 2 before **ON A FLASHDRIVE DISK OR DropBox.** Photos should be identified to correspond to the project descriptions and may not be marked with any form of company identification (or have a picture of someone from the company in it).
- **PROJECT PICTURES:** ONE 5 x 7 BEFORE and ONE 8 x 10 AFTER for Story Board
- ONE 5 x 7 Picture of Participant (only one needed if multiple projects entered).

Descriptions (*see Project Tips Sheet for more detailed information)*

- *Project Outline—400 words or less—Word format – 12 font, on one page.*
  - o This narrative will be read by the judges when evaluating your entry.
  - o The Project Outline should describe your project with clear and concise information. The Project Outline descriptions should correspond with the project's *before* and *after* photos—with a maximum of 12 photos utilized.
- *Project Overview—100 words or less—Word format – 14 font, double spaced on one page.*
  - o This narrative will be read by the emcee during the REX Awards.
  - o The Project Overview should be short and highlight the most significant, unusual or unique aspects of the project.
  - o Project Overview descriptions should correspond with the project's *before* and *after* photos—with a maximum of 12 photos utilized.

Floor Plans

- *Before and After Floor Plans*
  - o Floor plans/drawings should be scaled to 8.5″x11″ size or smaller. Floor plans convey the overall design concept to the judges.

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Judging Specifics

- Submitted projects will be judged by a panel of industry experts from various fields of expertise.
- Judges have the discretion to reassign projects into another category if they deem it appropriate.
- Judges have the discretion to eliminate entries if they are incomplete.
- Judges have the discretion to eliminate entries that do not reflect the standard of excellence expected for REX award projects.
- Judges' decisions are final and are not subject to appeal.
- Entries will be judged in accordance with the following criteria:

    1. Aesthetics *visually appealing*
        a. Does the remodel *look* attractive?
        b. Does the craftsmanship look professional?

    2. Special or unique design solutions– *space planning, livability*
        a. How does creativity work into the remodel?
        b. Is the remodel functional beyond the previous design?

    3. Quality workmanship *special crafting, exceptional features*
        a. What are the outstanding features of the project?
        b. Is there attention to detail?

    4. Use of appropriate building materials *compliments existing structure and design*
        a. Did the remodeler use materials to enhance the design?
        b. Were there excess materials?

    5. Budgetary consideration *solutions to budgetary constraints*
        a. How did the project keep within the budget and still deliver client expectations?
        b. Were there any measures to cut costs?

    6. Challenges and/or obstacles– *unique challenges the entrant faced in completing the project*
        a. Were there any unexpected obstacles that called for adjustments?
        b. Were there unusual circumstances that created additional challenges?

Winners will be announced during the MBA Pierce REX Awards May 22, 2018

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Project Tips Sheet

Below you will find helpful tips on photography, writing descriptions and submitting floor plans. If you need additional help, please call Lisa Simmons at 253.254.0082.

Photography Tips
Before and after photos

It is important you clearly convey the scope of your project. You are creating an overall presentation for the judges that best depict your remodeling project—photographs are the single most important visual component of your entry. *Digital photos will not be returned.*

Tip #1: Take your *before* and *after* photos from the same angles

Tip #2: Take A LOT of photos—the more the better. You can always pare them down later.

Tip #3: Submit the maximum amount of photos—16—for whole house and 12 for all other entries. Judges love to look at your project's photos.

Tip #4: Digital photos are preferred (jpeg), but not mandatory. Sometimes the only *before* photos available are print copies. Or, you may not have a digital camera. That's okay. You may submit print photos—we can scan them into digital copies.

Tip #5: Clearly identify your photos (write on the back of print copies) or name your jpeg files (digital) to correspond to your project descriptions. *before #1, before #2, after #1, after #2* and so on, is really all you need. **DO NOT** mark your print or digital photos with any form of company identification—this may result in disqualification.

Tip #6: If using a professional photographer, relevant copyright and photo release permission issues must be arranged before submitting your project photos. Photos of winning projects may be used by MBA PIERCE in public viewing, website, press releases, magazines or other PR promotions.

Project Description Tips

Your project descriptions should provide an overall summary of the remodel and clearly convey the homeowners' wishes. Keep your descriptions clear and concise. Simply describe the challenges of the project and the benefits of the end product. Both the Project Outline and Project Overview descriptions should correspond with the project's *before* and *after* photos (maximum of 12).

Project Outline - 400 words or less—Word format (This narrative will be read by the judges in evaluating your entry)
The Project Outline should describe your project with clear and concise information. If you submit a Green Remodeling entry, detail the products, techniques, energy savings, etc., utilized/achieved in your project. Project Outlines should provide the following:

Main objective of the remodel
What did the customer want from the remodel? More living space? Modernization? Recreate original design (historical)?

Creative and efficient use of space (in remodel and/or property)
Describe how space played a role in the remodel. Narrow property? Water views? Severe slope? Existing structures?

Special or unique circumstances and solutions
What, if any, obstacles did you face. Universal design issues? Height restrictions? Green Built standards?

Use of appropriate building materials.
Describe the type and quality of materials (in layman terms).

Quality of workmanship
Pump yourself up and let the judges know the quality of your work.

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Excerpt from a 400-word Project Outline for the Historical Renovation Category:

"This small, one story home was built in 1918 in the historical district of downtown Tacoma. It was badly in need of additional space, modern lighting and appliances (before #1); a new roof (before #2), and a major exterior renovation (before#3). However, the homeowners wanted to maintain the Northwest craftsman-style architecture of the home, while integrating modern appliances and products. First on the homeowners' wish list was a gourmet kitchen filled with state-of-the-art appliances and fixtures but convey the atmosphere of 100-year-old charm and character (after #1) …"

Project Overview - 100 words or less—Word format (This narrative will be used by the emcee during the REX Awards)

The Project Overview should be short and highlight the most significant, unusual or unique aspects of the project. Project Overview descriptions should also correspond with the project's *before* and *after* photos (maximum of 12).

Floor Plans Tips

The *before* and *after* floor plans/drawings provide the judges with the architectural design aspect of the project. The plans show project details such as wall/window/doorway modifications and are an important component of the entry packet.

Tip #1:   The *before* and *after* floor plans/drawings should be scaled to 8.5"x11" size or smaller.

Submittal Tips

Make a copy of all your REX entry packet contents. Record your digital media on CD, DVD, flash drive or submit online at https://www.cognitoforms.com/MBAPierce/_2018RemodelingExcellenceREXSubmissions. CDs/DVDs will not be returned. Submit your entry form packet via US mail or drop it by the MBA Office — **PLEASE DO NOT E-MAIL**. If you do not have access to a computer or digital media, contact Lisa Simmons. We will do everything we can to help you submit your remodeling project entry.

Category Descriptions

Exterior

1. Exterior Under $25,000
Best residential exterior project. Includes, but is not limited to, alterations to the exterior of a residential building such as porticos, porches, windows, dormers, roofs, and exterior resurfacings such as siding, stucco, etc. Total project cost under $25,000.

2. Exterior Over $25,000
Best residential exterior project. See category #1 for description. Total project cost over $25,001.

Kitchen

3. Kitchen Under $30,000
Best kitchen project with a total project cost under $30,000.

4. Kitchen $30,000-$60,000
Best kitchen project with a total project cost $30,001-$60,000.

5. Kitchen $60,000-$125,000
Best kitchen project with a total project cost $60,001-$125,000.

6. Kitchen Over $125,000
Best kitchen project with a total project over $125,001.

Bath

7. Bath Under $25,000
Best bath project with a total project cost under $25,000.

8. Bath $25,000-$40,000
Best bath project with a total project cost $25,001-$40,000.

9. Bath $40,000-$75,000
Best bath project with a total project cost $40,001-$75,000.

10. Bath Over $75,000
Best bath project with a total project cost over $75,001.

Addition

11. Addition Under $75,000
Best addition under $75,000. Includes, but is not limited to, additions, add-a-levels, or attic build-outs.

12. Addition $75,000-$150,000
Best addition $75,001-$150,000. See category #11 for description.

13. Addition Over $150,000
Best addition over $150,001. See category #11 for description.

Whole House

14. Whole House Under $150,000 ‡
Best whole house project with a cost under $150,000. A project that has remodeled or renovated a substantial portion of the building, inside and/or outside.

15. Whole House $150,000-$300,000
Best whole house project with a cost $150,001-$300,000. See project #14 for description.

16. Whole House $300,000-$500,000
Best whole house project with a cost $300,001-$500,000. See project #14 for description.

17. Whole House Over $500,000
Best whole house project over $500,001. See project #14 for description.

Commercial

18. Commercial Under $250,000 ‡
Best commercial project under $250,000.

19. Commercial Over $250,000
Best commercial project over $250,001.

Overall Design Excellence

20. Outdoor Living (Associate Can Apply)
Projects may include swimming pools/sauna/hot tub areas; outdoor kitchens; fireplaces/fire pits; lighting; etc.

21. Landscaping (Associate Can Apply)
Projects may feature living elements, such as flora or fauna; natural elements such as landforms or bodies of water (ponds/waterfalls); etc.

22. Residential Specialty/Open (Associate Can Apply)
Projects may include trim and mill work; railings and columns; brick, stone or masonry work; tiling; etc.

23. Residential Interior Design (Associate Can Apply)
Projects with an emphasis on design creativity and/or a challenging design/layout, etc.

24. Architecture (Associate Can Apply)
Projects with an emphasis on architectural creativity and/or a challenging lot/site design, etc.

25. Historic Renovation/Restoration
Restoration of historical features and/or added structures that respect the essential historical character/architectural style of the original building design.

26. Green Remodeling
Projects that implement green building practices such as: renewable resources, low or -zero operating energy systems; water conservation practices; etc.

27. Basements
Projects that were created expressly for the basement area that do not fit in any other category.

28. Aging in Place/Accessibility
Projects that may include universal access/design features such as: no-step entry; one-story living; wide doorways; wide hallways; bathrooms with non-slip surfaces/grab bars; etc.

29. Get Away Room‡
Projects that do not fit in any other category—an exclusive place to hang out or a refuge area to enjoy what you love. For example: a specially equipped garage, media room, billiard room, smoking room, wine cellar, etc

2018 MBA Pierce REX Awards Nominee Information

Nominee Name(s)

Company Name (as you would like it to appear on award)

Address

City   State/Zip

Phone   Email

Project Categories* Project must be completed after January 1, 2016

Exterior
☐ 1. Exterior Under $25,000
☐ 2. Exterior Over $25,000

Kitchen
☐ 3. Kitchen Under $30,000
☐ 4. Kitchen $30,000-$60,000
☐ 5. Kitchen $60,000-$125,000
☐ 6. Kitchen Over $125,000

Bath
☐ 7. Bath Under $25,000
☐ 8. Bath $25,000-$40,000
☐ 9. Bath $40,000-$75,000
☐10. Bath Over $75,000

Addition
☐ 11. Addition Under $75,000
☐ 12. Addition $75,000-$150,000
☐ 13. Addition Over $150,000

Entire House
☐ 14. Entire House Under $150,000
☐ 15. Entire House $150,000-$300,000
☐ 16. Entire House $300,000-$500,000
☐ 17. Entire House Over $500,000

Commercial
☐ 18. Commercial Under $250,000
☐ 19. Commercial Over $250,000

Overall Design Excellence
☐ 20. Outdoor Living **
☐ 21. Landscaping **
☐ 22. Residential Specialty/Open **
☐ 23. Residential Interior Design **
☐ 24. Architecture **
☐ 25. Historic Renovation/Restoration
☐ 26. Green Remodeling
☐ 27. Basements
☐ 28. Aging in Place/Accessibility
☐ 29. Get Away Room

*Projects can only be entered in one category (i.e., a Whole House project may not also be entered into a Kitchen Category, Bath Category, etc.)
** MBAPC Associate Members may enter these categories.

Payment Information $100 per entry

☐   VISA   ☐   MC   Amount to be charged $ _____

Card No. _____   CV2 Code (on back) _____

Name on card _____   Exp. Date _____

Billing address on card _____

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Or call Lisa at 253.254.0082 with your credit card information.

Project Information

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Project/Client Name   City

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Project Start Date   Project Completion Date _(Must be after January 1, 2016.)_

Cost of Project

Construction Costs..$_____

Include materials, labor, appliances, etc.
Do not include permit fees, design and architectural fees and sales tax.

Client-Supplied Costs...$_____

Include estimated costs of any materials, labor, appliances, etc., supplied by the client.

Total Project Cost...$_____

Construction Costs + Client-Supplied Costs

Please list all additional MBA members (e.g., architects, designers, other subcontractors) that made a significant contribution to this project. This list is strongly encouraged, but not required.

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Please contact Lisa Simmons with any questions at 253.254.0082 or lsimmons@mbapierce.com

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