

THE SESOC AWARDS FOR STRUCTURAL ENGINEERING EXCELLENCE - 2019

CONDITIONS OF ENTRY

Entries Close - 12th July 2019

SESOC Supreme Award for Structural Engineering Excellence

This is the Society's Premier Award. At the judges discretion, this may be given as an award on its own, or recognise the overall winner of the four category awards below.

SESOC Infrastructure Award

This may be awarded to any infrastructure projects such as bridges, tunnels, wharves, liquid retaining structures, sewage and water treatment plants judged to display an outstanding achievement in the advancement of structural engineering design and construction.

SESOC Commercial Building Award

This may be awarded to any commercial, institutional, or industrial building judged to display an outstanding achievement in the advancement of structural engineering in design and construction.

SESOC Small Projects Award

This may be awarded for any small construction projects (such as light commercial and residential buildings, landscaping features and artwork, retaining structures, pedestrian bridges, cable cars etc.) with a construction value of less than \$2.5 Million NZD that may have a high degree of complexity and structural input and display an outstanding achievement in the advancement of structural engineering in design and construction.

SESOC Award for Structural Heritage

This may be awarded to any project for excellence in structural design and construction where heritage characteristics of the building are maintained through appropriate restoration, conservation, extension or refurbishment.

All Awards shall take the form of:

- i) The Society's trophy and certificate depicting the Society's motif and the year of the Award, to be given to the award recipient. The certificate shall list all contributing parties as listed on the entry form.
- ii) All contributing parties, as listed on the entry form, shall receive certificates.

Award Results & Presentation

The decision of the Judges will be announced at the SESOC Conference to be held at Sky City Convention Centre, Auckland 19 August 2019 where applicable a formal presentation of any Award or Awards will also be held at that time. All entries short listed for judging will feature in the SESOC Journal along with articles of the submitted to Engineering New Zealand, ACENZ and Contractor magazines and web sites.

All winning entries will be featured on the Structural Engineering Society of NZ website www.sesoc.org.nz

Winner 1998 SESOC Award for Structural Engineering Excellence



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Rules & General Conditions

The objectives of the Structural Engineering Society of New Zealand awards are to:

- (i) Promote and publicise Excellence in Structural Engineering to our members and the wider community;
- (ii) Encourage standards of excellence in the application of Structural Engineering by our members;
- (iii) Promote the advancement of knowledge and research in Structural Engineering;
- (iv) Recognise the contribution and special achievement of individuals and/or firms in Structural Engineering.

The projects for the Awards do not necessarily have to be of large scale. Providing they have that element of innovation and development with an excellence of construction and execution, they are eligible.

Entrants do not need to identify which category the project is entered in. The judging panel will allocate entries into the appropriate award categories.

SESOC Awards Judging Criteria

In considering each entry it is expected that the Judges will take particular note of such matters, where applicable, such as:

- Excellence in the design, construction and application of structural engineering;
- Special engineering uses or functional significance of the project;
- Economic merit, construction efficiency and sustainability;
- Significant advancement of Structural Engineering knowledge, technology, innovation, or application.
- Entries will be judged against the general international and national standards;
- Awards will only be made where in the opinion of the judges the work is clearly meritorious when measured against such standards.

Eligibility

The eligibility of any project entered for consideration of the Awards under this scheme shall be subject to the following criteria:

- (i) It is intended the work on which the entry is based shall have reached substantial completion within a period not greater than 30 (thirty) calendar months preceding the closing date for the Awards in the year of submitting the entry. (In cases where the entry is later than the timeframe above then entry to the awards is at the Judges sole discretion).
- (ii) The entry must relate to work completed in New Zealand.
- (iii) Joint entries recognising overall merit of a project are encouraged. The trophy will be given to the **nominated recipient** along with a certificate which shall list all contributing parties as listed on the entry form. All contributing parties will also receive certificates.
- (iv) To ensure mutual recognition and avoid duplication of entries, where parties have jointly contributed towards the aspects of the project being submitted for an award, one company only who was actively involved in the project shall be responsible for ensuring that there is substantial support for the entry from the other parties, whose names shall all be listed on the entry form. This company shall also obtain written consent from the project owner for the entry, and agreement as to the **nominated award recipient** of the trophy. See note (v) below for guidance on the nominated award recipient (the individual).
- (v) Where the project execution involved more than one person/company the **nominated award recipient** and entry shall be in the name of the **professionally qualified structural engineer** with the greatest responsibility for the execution of the project. (co nomination of the structural engineer is permitted but shall be limited to a maximum of 2 persons).
- (vi) The nominated award recipient must register for the conference or awards evening.

Judging

The Judges will be the President of the Structural Engineering Society of New Zealand (or nominee), and up to 3 additional nominees appointed by the SESOC management committee. No correspondence or discussion with respect to any decision of the Judges will be entered into, and the Judges decision is final.

A certificate of 'Commendation' may be awarded to any entry or number of entries at the discretion of the judges. The certificate will be given to the designated recipient, the certificate shall list all contributing parties as listed on the entry form. All contributing parties shall receive certificates.

Ownership and Publication of Material

All material submitted in connection with entries shall become the property of the Structural Engineering Society of New Zealand, which reserves the right to make whatever use it may consider desirable without incurring any liability whatsoever with respect to the payment of any fees or royalty. Such use may include publication and/or display of any complete entry or part thereof for promotion of the Society and the Awards.

Form of Entry

Entries, which must reach the Society's Secretary/Manager **NO LATER THAN Friday 12 July 2019**, should comprise the following:

- (i) **Your completed entry (including entry form) in digital format and one hard copy in A4 format.**
- (ii) **An entry fee** (GST inc)

Members:	for each entry	\$150.00
Non-Members:	for each entry	\$300.00
- (iii) **The statement** for judging is not to exceed 6 pages or 3,000 words in length, and it is to consist of a summary section, which does not exceed 500 words in length and further sections to cover, as appropriate the topics in (b) and (c) below. Where the entrant(s) consider it is appropriate, a supporting statement of not more than 500 words may be included from the client or client's representative indicating how the project fulfilled their expectations.
 - (a) The summary section is to contain a justification for the project, and the features, which in the opinion of the entrant(s), merit recognition of the work as excellence or outstanding achievement in the field of Structural Engineering.
 - (b) A description of the purpose and requirements of the work, the rationale or design approach employed, and where construction work is involved, with reference to the judging criteria where appropriate.
 - (c) A brief statement, where it may assist the panel of Judges, covering any unusual features, unconventional approaches adopted or particular specification requirements.
- (iv) A maximum of six A3 drawings (i.e. plans, elevations, sections) or other photographs, sufficient to illustrate the essential features of particular project is permitted.
- (v) Where appropriate a minimum of two and a maximum of twelve photographs not larger than 200mm x 250mm of the work in hard copy format, of which one shows the overall environment, plus a jpeg format, 72 dpi file (a minimum file size of 1Mb). **This material will be used for audio visual and display purposes.**

