Kitchen Studio® 2023 DESIGN AWARDS

AND THE 2023 KITCHEN OF THE YEAR WINNER IS…?
THE GLORY, THE PRESTIGE, THE ESTEEM
AND DON'T FORGET THE BONUS!

WILL YOUR STUNNING KITCHEN DESIGN
TAKE THE TOP SPOT?

Entries Open 9 January 2023

Kitchen Studio will be presenting the 2023 Design Awards at the Gala Awards Dinner during the Annual Conference in Auckland. This is a great opportunity to be recognised for design excellence within the Kitchen Studio network. All Kitchen Studio designers and consultants are encouraged to enter the awards.

Support Office will create a professionally designed entry board incorporating your kitchen images, plans and elevations, design brief and specifications on your behalf. The boards will be displayed at the Conference.

We continue to align our categories with the National Kitchen & Bathroom Association (NKBA) Excellence in Design Awards, therefore as NKBA has made some important changes, it essential that you read the attached Terms and Conditions on entering. We hope this will encourage more Kitchen Studio designers to enter the NKBA Awards.

Take your time to review the Kitchen Studio 2023 Design Awards website which has all the info you need to get started: www.ksdesignawards2023.co.nz

Entries Close 19 March 2023, 5pm.

Good luck to all our entrants!

Best wishes from the 2023 KS Conference Team.

ABOUT **THE AWARDS**

All Design entries will be eligible for awards in the following categories:

- **Kitchen of the Year** **Prize of $1,000**
  The winner will also receive:
  NKBA 2023 Excellence in Design Awards attendance package, (includes flights & accommodation) plus 1 entry into the NKBA 2023/4 Excellence in Design Awards (valued up to $1900)

- **Creative Excellence** **Prize of $500**
  The winner will also receive:
  1 x Entry into the NKBA 2023/4 Excellence in Design Awards (est value $380)

- **Visual Impact** **Prize of $500**
  The winner will also receive:
  1 x Entry into the NKBA 2023/4 Excellence in Design Awards (est value $380)

- **People's Choice** **Prize of $500**
  The winner will also receive:
  1 x Entry into the NKBA 2023/4 Excellence in Design Awards (est value $380)

The following categories need to be specified upon entry:

- **First Time Entrant** **Prize of $500**
  The winner will also receive:
  1 x Entry into the NKBA 2023/4 Excellence in Design Awards (est value $380)

- **Kitchen Distinction Award – Under $30K (Incl GST)** NEW **Prize of $500**
  The winner will also receive:
  1 x Entry into the NKBA 2023/4 Excellence in Design Awards (est value $380)

- **Creative Small Space Kitchen** **Prize of $500**
  The winner will also receive:
  1 x Entry into the NKBA 2023/4 Excellence in Design Awards (est value $380)

- **Character Kitchen Design** NEW **Prize of $500**
  The winner will also receive:
  1 x Entry into the NKBA 2023/4 Excellence in Design Awards (est value $380)

All 2023 submissions must be entered through the online entry form at www.ksdesignawards2023.co.nz
If you experience any difficulty with file formats, please contact us at contact@kitchenstudio.co.nz

Entries will open Monday, 9 January 2023 and must be submitted by **5pm on Sunday, 19 March 2023.** All Entries must follow the guidelines as outlined in the Conditions of Entry. One design board will be created for each entry and used for judging and display.

Entries must include:

- Completed online entry form
- Plans and elevations
- Images
- Client Design brief
- Product specification list
- Signed client/contributor/s declaration form
- Quotation/invoice/declaration (Kitchen Distinction Award – Under $30K (incl GST) category only)

Please see the Conditions of Entry for full competition requirements.

ksdesignawards2023.co.nz

CONDITIONS OF ENTRY

All design entries will be eligible for awards in the following categories:

- **Kitchen of the Year**
  This category winner will have displayed overall exceptional design processes – Outstanding brief, design and concept, style, plans and specifications. This is the entry judged to be the overall ultimate winning entry from all valid kitchen entries. Based on the judges' discretion and in accordance with NKBA/Certified Designers guidelines. **The winning entry of this category is ineligible to win any other award.**

- **Creative Excellence**
  The judges will be looking for the entry with the best overall creative design.

- **Visual Impact**
  The winner of this category is the entry judged to have used the most effective application of colour, textures, tiles and different finishes that provide visual impact.

- **People's Choice**
  Entries will be collated and distributed to the Kitchen Studio and Approved Supplier network for voting. All members of both networks can vote once only however Design Consultants should not vote for themselves and Franchise Owners should not vote for their own consultants. The entry with the highest number of votes will be the winner of our People's Choice award.

The following categories need to be specified upon entry:

- **First Time Entrant**
  You must tick and opt-in to be included in this category. It is open to designers who are entering for the first time.

- **Kitchen Distinction Award – Under $30K (Incl GST) NEW**
  You must tick and opt-in to be included in this category. The price must represent the entire value of the kitchen including GST, the materials, cabinetry and benchtop materials, manufacturing and installation but excluding appliances, and sub trades for example plumber, builder and electrician. Validation of costs must be provided either as a signed quotation or a copy of the final invoice costs, verified by a signed declaration. Please note that any kitchens or bathrooms that is the entrants own home or immediate family members home are excluded from this award category. **Showrooms are ineligible for this award, please see eligibility conditions.**

- **Creative Small Space Kitchen**
  You must tick and opt-in to be included in this category. Measurements must be taken from finished wall to wall and include island space if applicable. If the island or breakfast bar return has seating, then 700mm must be added to the room depth at this point. Kitchen size must not exceed 10m2. A room sketch with the measurements and calculations will need to be submitted.

- **Character Kitchen Design NEW**
  You must tick and opt-in to be included in this category. This category winning design will consistently reflect the character of the home where the design features, honouring the style of the property. Judges will be looking for attention to detail.

Entries Must Include:

- **Completed online entry form**
  - Must include client / contributor/s declaration form, be signed and dated.

- **Floor Plans, Elevations and Drawings**
  - Include between 3 and 6 floor plans, elevations and/or drawings.
  - All plans and elevations must have no reference to the name of the designer or project.
  - Floor plans and elevations must meet all aspects of good design practices and standards.

  - All significant room dimensions and an indication of adjoining rooms must be shown.
  - Relevant electrical and plumbing detail is to be shown on the plan.
  - All working drawings, floor plans and elevations submitted must be completed by the entrant and be no smaller than 210mm x 297mm at 300 dpi. Maximum size is 20 MB per image.
  - Acceptable files are JPG, TIFF and PDF.

- **Images**

  Remember great photography is the secret to your success with your entry!
  - Include between 3 and 6 photographs of the kitchen, no smaller than 210mm x 297mm at 300 dpi. Maximum size is 20 MB per image.
  - Acceptable file types are JPG and TIFF.
  - **Your preferred main image of the kitchen must be identified.**
  - If possible, use a professional photographer with experience in this type of work.
  - Images must be well lit and not exposed to the natural window light.
  - Care should be taken with styling to ensure the best images for reproduction and publication.
  - Both landscape and portrait images are acceptable.

- **Client Design Brief**
  - Summary clearly detailing the client's needs, requirements and problems, and how these design challenges were overcome and met.
  - Must be between 200–250 words and spell checked prior to submission
  - Include a title for your entry.
  - Please supply in either doc or docx formats.

- **Product Specification List**
  - All product specifications must be listed under the following categories:

    Cabinetry: brand, product name, colour, finish
    Benchtop: brand, product name, colour, finish
    Appliances: brand, product name, colour
    Hardware & Accessories: brand, product name, colour

    NB: Product codes and line numbers are not required.
  - Maximum 160 words across all categories. To be spell checked prior to submission.
  - Please supply in either doc or docx formats.

Eligibility:

- Open to all Kitchen Studio Design Consultants, who have designed a kitchen between 1 January 2022 and 31 December 2022 in a domestic dwelling within New Zealand, including self-owned dwellings.
- Family of the judges are not permitted to enter.
- **Kitchens within showrooms are not eligible for entry.**
- Entrants are encouraged to attend the Kitchen Studio Conference.

Conditions of Entry:

- No late entries will be accepted, unless by arrangement with Kitchen Studio Support Office.
- The kitchen designs submitted into this competition must be the work of the Kitchen Studio Design Consultant entering.
- The design entry cannot have been previously entered into any other competition.

Ownership / Publication / Media:

- Entries, photos and entry boards become the property of Kitchen Studio Distribution and may be used for publication and display purposes. Entry boards will be returned to the entrant's branch for display in the showroom.
- The design boards will be displayed at the annual conference.
- Following the Awards, the entries may be placed on the Kitchen Studio website, branch gallery pages, social media and may be used in local or national franchise collateral.
- Winner of the 'Kitchen of the Year' Award may be required to speak briefly on the Awards night and be available for photos and interviews at the Awards event or post awards, in support of any sponsors of the competition.

Judging:

- Judging is anonymous, entry names will not be disclosed to the judges at any time.
- Judges' decision is final and no correspondence will be entered into.
- Judges may determine at their discretion, whether an award will be presented for each category.
- If you are considering entering into the NKBA Awards the NKBA have some additional rules you should be aware of.

Helpful Tips:

Please see the following guidelines on our website to assist in submitting entries.

- Tips on entering design Awards
- NKBA/CDS Drawing Standards – Information required on plans
- Overview of space planning – for a safe, workable kitchen
- Example of Client Brief
- Example of Product Specification List
- 2023 Judging Criteria
- Kitchen Studio Design Awards Board Display Layout