



PREMIER TROPHY AWARDS



Entry Form

2027

The Categories

In order to represent the diversity of the industry, there are separate categories - these cover both internal and external applications.

Decorative: This could include the use of conventional coatings, spray work, paperhanging, and projects with a colourful design.

Highly Decorative: This could include the use of conventional coatings, woodstains, wall coverings and specialist decorative techniques and specialist finishes such as gilding, marbling, graining and artwork.

Sole Trader/Small Contractor: This represents the vast quantity of work carried out in small domestic and small contracts area. For this award you should be a company with no more than seven employees.

Residential: This includes domestic dwellings, housing association contracts, student accommodation, apartments, etc.

Spray Work: Application in a commercial or decorative environment using Professional Airless Spray Equipment. High-performance coatings, general decorative and/or commercial environment.

Commercial: This includes offices, leisure centres, hotels, retail outlets, education and health establishments.

New Build: This category is where at least 70% of the work is on new surfaces that have not been painted or coated before using conventional coatings, wall coverings and spray work.

Industrial: This could include the use of conventional and high performance coatings to transport infrastructures and works or premises.

Supreme Winner: This will be chosen by the judges from the seven category winners.

Objectives

- To demonstrate the diversity of skill and level of craftsmanship and efficiency of service offered to clients
- To develop the highest standards of excellence for the industry
- To increase awareness of the painting and decorating industry and its professionalism amongst the maintenance and construction industries and the public.
- To demonstrate site contract management and adherence to company policy.

Eligibility

Entries will be accepted from any bona fide firm carrying out painting and decorating contracts, either on new works, refurbishments, or redecoration, in the United Kingdom. Entries should be from UK based companies for UK projects. More than one contract must be submitted on a separate entry form, accompanied by the appropriate entry fee. Contracts must be completed in the period **1 January 2026 to 31 December 2026.**

Basis of Assessment

- Quality of workmanship, craftsmanship and expertise, which reflects an understanding of the materials used.
- Maintenance of a constant standard, despite any peculiarities of substrate.
- Account will be taken of the complexity of the contract, management of the project, problem of maintaining consistent quality and Health and Safety.
- Involvement of Apprentice/Trainees will also be taken into consideration.
- To assist with the shortlisting of entries for the Awards, a detailed description is especially important. Please provide full details of the project entered, using extra sheets of paper if required.
- Upon receipt of Application the judge's criteria will be issued.

Judges

To maintain impartiality, the judges will be Members of the Institute of Clerks of Works of Great Britain Incorporated.

The decision of the Judges is final, and no further correspondence will be entered into.

The winner in each category will receive a Trophy and a framed certificate, to be awarded at the Trophy Awards Event, which is being held at 8 Northumberland Avenue, London on 15 July 2027.

How to Enter

Nominations

The client must have signed each application form PRIOR to it's return to the Association.

Images

Each application **MUST** be accompanied by a minimum of six and maximum of ten different high resolution jpeg images to be submitted in a zip file format, sent to us by email with the accompanying Entry Form. **Application forms will not be accepted without appropriate images.**

Please note, all images **MUST** be clearly labelled as either before and after images of the project, the name of the entrant and company title/logo. **Please click here to refer to the Judges' Hint & Tips for Entry Form Completion.**

Short-listed entries

Each short-listed contract will be individually visited and appraised by Members of the Institute of Clerks of Works, and from the recommendations and photographs, the team of judges will select the winners in each category.

Please note: if you have been successfully shortlisted for a site visit you MUST ensure that you and your client are available between the months of February and May.

Entrant's Details

Note: Please print all details clearly. Entry must be from the main contractor only.

Name of Entrant Company:	
Postal address:	
Tel:	
Mobile:	
Email:	
Contact name:	
Position in company:	

Entrant's Declaration

'I have studied and agree to abide by the rules of the Painting & Decorating Trophy competition and recognise that the judges' decision is final'. Please note: Your project will not be included for consideration, if you are unable to arrange, or you cancel your site visit.

Signature:	
Name:	
Position:	
Date:	

If you are selected as a finalist:

The information you provide on this entry form will be used as is on your certificate, in the Awards AV presentation, and in the Trophy Awards Brochure.

It is your responsibility to ensure all details entered are accurate and correct.

Client's Declaration

'I understand that the works described herein have been carried out in a satisfactory manner, within the time allowed, and that there will be no objection to the use of photographs or a site visit of the finished work if shortlisted'.

Signature:	
Name:	
Position:	
Date:	
Tel:	
Postal address:	

GDPR

Please print **YES** or **NO** to allow the use of any images and text for promotional purposes only by our Public Relations, Marketing and Publication Companies:

Entry Return

Complete a hard copy application and post to TROPHY AWARDS, PDA, 32 COTON ROAD, NUNEATON CV11 5TW.
Or download from the PDA website and email the completed PDF to events@paintingdecoratingassociation.co.uk

MAKE SURE YOU HAVE:

1. The fully completed application form.
2. Included at least six different images of the completed project, three before and three after. We prefer ALL images to be submitted in jpeg format via zip file, sent by email with the completed and signed application form. Each photo MUST be clearly labelled with before and after images, the name of the entrant and company title/logo.
3. PDA Member: £36 (including VAT) per entry, Non member: £67 (including VAT) per entry. The entry fee for both member and non members is non refundable. Payment may be made by BACS, credit/debit card, or chq made payable to: Painting and Decorating Association.

Bank details: Barclays Bank – **Account name:** Painting & Decorating Association – **Sort Code:** 20-23-55 – **Account Number:** 10496456

Please note: Applications will not be accepted unless accompanied with payment.

Closing Date

All entries **MUST BE RECEIVED** by Friday 15 January 2027. Entries received after this date will not be considered for entry.

Details of Entry

Choose one category for entry and print clearly:

DECORATIVE | HIGHLY DECORATIVE | SMALL CONTRACTOR | RESIDENTIAL | SPRAY WORK | COMMERCIAL | NEW BUILD | INDUSTRIAL

Name or description of building/contract:			
Full address of building/contract:			
Construction Phase Plan:		If applicable, this must be available to view during the judges site visit	
Health & Safety File:		If applicable, this must be available to view during the judges site visit	
Approximate value of contract:			
Client:			
Architect:			
Supervisor/Foreperson:			
Main contractor:			
Sub-contractors:			
Commencement date:			
Completion date:			
Number of trades people involved (inc sub-contractors):			
Number of apprentices/trainees with the Company:		Number of apprentices/trainees working within the project:	

Please provide details of the nature and scope of the work, including any difficulties which might have been encountered, and actions taken. Additional sheets may be used if necessary.

CONTRACT DETAILS:

Please provide details of the major supplier/manufacturer and the products used

MAIN SUPPLIER DETAILS:

Please provide details of the major supplier/manufacturer and the products used

SPECIALIST/OTHER PRODUCTS USED:

ENVIRONMENT AND DISPOSAL:



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