



Healthy City Design AWARDS 2024



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CALL FOR ENTRIES

Recognising excellence in the design and planning of healthy and sustainable cities and communities

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Deadline for entries:
5 September

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Judging process and timetable

July 2024

Awards Call for Entries launched

5 September 2024

Deadline for Awards entries

9-17 September

Judging phase 1: Evaluation and shortlisting of submissions by judging panel

19 September

Shortlist announcement: The shortlisted submissions are notified and invited to register their participation in the Congress to present their project in Video+Poster format

16 October 2024

Awards ceremony in final session of the 8th Healthy City Design 2024 Congress

October-November 2024

Publication of award winners on Healthy City Design and SALUS Global Knowledge Exchange websites, and via press announcements in local, national, professional and social media channels



Healthy City Design 2024 Awards

Recognising excellence in the design and planning of healthy and sustainable cities and communities

The Healthy City Design Awards 2024 celebrate and recognise professional and research excellence in the design and planning of healthy and sustainable cities and communities around the world

The Healthy City Design Awards recognise innovation and excellence in conceptualising, planning, designing and constructing the urban built environment, in respect of its vital relevance to two highly interdependent fields: human health and wellbeing, and the principles of planetary health and sustainable development.



The suite of eight awards is structured to encourage submissions in categories that span the micro, meso and macro levels of city design and planning. These encompass design for homes and workplaces, neighbourhoods, placemaking, transport and mobility, social infrastructure, city-wide developments and, finally, the contribution of the research community to advancing knowledge in this field.

The awards aim to encourage and support projects, schemes and research which offer novel and well-considered means to positively impact on the physical and mental health and wellbeing of urban populations, through improvements to environmental factors, opportunities

for exercise, reduced pollution levels, greater community solidarity, societal resilience, diversity, equity and inclusion, and a better work-life balance for citizens of all ages.

The awards are also underpinned by the guiding principles of the UN Sustainable Development Goals, particularly in respect of progress towards good health and wellbeing, sustainable urban development, climate action, responsible consumption and strong partnership working.

Comprising eight categories across various aspects of urban health and design, the awards celebrate excellence in innovation, sustainability, health equity and community impact. Each category highlights outstanding contributions from professionals dedicated to creating healthier and more liveable cities. The awards are presented to an in-person audience at an illustrious ceremony during the final session of the Congress, and streamed online for delegates to view remotely around the world.



Marc Sansom MBA

Co-founder, Healthy City Design;
Managing director, SALUS Global
Knowledge Exchange, UK



Prof Jeremy Myerson

Co-founder, Healthy City Design;
director, WORKTECH Academy;
professor emeritus, Royal College of Art, UK

Submission process

Who should enter?

The awards are open to international organisations and project teams in the public, private and academic sectors, participating in research, commissioning, planning, design and development of public and private real estate in towns and cities, including but not limited to residential, commercial, mixed use, and social infrastructure.

Eligibility

Built and concept projects or research programmes completed between 1 January 2021 and October 2024 are eligible to enter. Projects may be entered into multiple categories, provided they are tailored to meet the specific requirements for the judging criteria of each award, but may not be re-entered in the same category in subsequent years.

Evaluation committee

The awards evaluation committee features international experts from across the health and built environment sectors, who bring specialist multidisciplinary knowledge to the specific categories they have been invited to judge. The shortlist and winner of each award are determined by a category chair, supported by two other judges with proven expertise in their field. This robust evaluation methodology ensures a balanced and transparent decision-making process. Any judge associated with any of the entries will withdraw from the relevant part of the adjudication process.

Judging process and criteria

Evaluation Phase 1: The judges will evaluate the submissions consisting of the submission statement and a 15-slide Powerpoint or PDF presentation of images and plans against a strict methodology and criteria. The judges carry out their evaluations remotely and independently prior to conferring to agree a shortlist.

Evaluation Phase 2: The shortlisted projects will be invited to provide further information to the judges, which

may require a video/live presentation. The judges will then finalise their decision prior to the awards ceremony at the Healthy City Design 2024 Congress, 15-16 October, when the winners and high commendations will be announced and the awards presented. The specific judging criteria for each award category are available to view at the event site, www.healthycitydesign.global prior to completing a formal online submission.



How to submit

To submit, visit www.healthycitydesign.global and click on the Awards navigation in the top menu bar. Choose the award category or categories you are entering, then follow these steps:

Step 1: Complete the online entry form and the 1500-word submission statement relevant to the category you are entering

Step 2: Upload a maximum of 10 images and 5 plans of the project both as a 15-slide PPT/ PDF format and in high-resolution jpeg format, and, if available, a video link of the project hosted on either YouTube or Vimeo.

Step 3: Complete payment to register your submission

Important notes: The submission statement and associated materials **MUST** explicitly address the criteria outlined on the submission statement forms. Please refer to the rules of entry for further information on payment and submission requirements.

Rules of entry

1. Entries must reflect the criteria set out against each award and comprise the following items generated through the online submission process:

i) Completed entry form, including project details and contact details for key project team members and the primary person for correspondence.

ii) Completed submission statement for the category or categories being entered, providing a project summary and addressing the award criteria in no more than 1500 words in total. Please note that the online form provides more words and characters than are necessary in each criteria section, which is designed to allow for flexibility in the response, but the total word count for the full submission should not exceed 1500 words.

iii) Ten images and five plans of the project, supplied in both a 15-slide Powerpoint or PDF presentation and as separate high-resolution jpeg images. Submissions should include interior and exterior images and any plans and drawings demonstrating key features of the project (eg, a site plan). These illustrations must also be supplied at high-resolution (300+dpi) during Step 2 of the online submission process. Images in the slides may include small text captions, but any text should be removed from the high-resolution images.

iv) The standard fee for each entry is £95 + VAT. Payment should be made by completing the credit card details in Step 3 of the online submission process. Exception is the Design Research for Healthy Cities category which is free to enter.

v) Agreement of the commissioning authority, building/project owner or other key authority as appropriate to the project submission.

vi) Submissions can be either built projects, phased developments, or concept designs of 'real' projects developed in design but not yet built to completion. Concept designs and plans must be completed to such extent to allow clear understanding and evaluation of the project against the project brief or vision.

2. Any of the judges must be allowed reasonable access to make enquiries or request further information on a shortlisted submission.

Awards categories and judges



Healthy homes

Lead judge: Rebecca Morley,
Healthy homes and communities consultant,
USA/UK

Inspirational design for individual dwelling places, homes and residential developments for any generation which contribute significantly to the mental and physical health of the residents, improve health equity and adhere to sustainable development principles. Submissions should demonstrate how the project/ scheme applies design principles for healthy living, including but not restricted to accessibility and adaptability, access to natural light, adequate livable space, connectivity to community amenities and transport, and climate resilience.



Healthy workplaces

Lead judge: Jeremy Myerson
The Helen Hamlyn Centre for Design, Royal
College of Art; director, Worktech Academy, UK

An innovative workplace design project, business park or innovation district that advances the physical and mental health and wellbeing of the workforce and wider community by applying a range of design principles and strategies, such as fostering a positive sense of community and belonging; bringing light and nature into the workplace; implementing more flexible ways of working; encouraging active and sustainable travel and workstyles; and creating greater comfort (thermal, acoustic, psychological).



Healthy transport and mobility

Lead judge: Mario Bozzo,
Independent planning and transport consultant,
Canada

A transport and/or citizen mobility project which achieves a step-change in improving the physical and/or mental health and wellbeing of all city residents, visitors and workers, through ambitious commitment to principles of health equity and sustainable development and by demonstrating a holistic contribution to a healthy urban environment and community life. Submissions should demonstrate innovation in how to redesign mobility networks and/or transport infrastructure to support more sustainable forms of travel, promote less sedentary lifestyles and reduce air pollution.



Healthy neighbourhoods

Lead judge: Sunand Prasad OBE, PPRIBA,
Chair, UK Green Building Council;
Principal, Perkins&Will, UK

Inspirational design for large and small neighbourhoods and streetscapes, defined as distinct districts or communities within an urban setting, to promote the physical and/or mental health of residents and visitors, improve health equity, and adhere to sustainable development principles. Submissions should demonstrate how the project/scheme applies fundamental design principles for healthy communities, such as creating compact, mixed use and walkable urban environments, connectivity to community amenities, active travel, integration of green space, and supporting biodiversity and climate resilience.



Healthy social infrastructure

Lead judge: Beatrice Fraenkel,
Design regeneration and health consultant,
Trustee, Design Council, UK

An outstanding social infrastructure project that through an innovative design and planning strategy, contributes to a strong, resilient and healthy local community, improving health equity, enhancing social value and adhering to sustainable development principles. Submissions should demonstrate how the project adopts fundamental principles of healthy and climate resilient building design, and integrates with the wider urban context and community, thereby making a positive and active contribution to community life. Submissions may range from larger anchor institutions in the healthcare, education, public parks, museums or sports/leisure sectors to smaller community, schools, play, youth, recreation, libraries, and faith based projects.



Healthy city planning and design

Lead judge: Max Farrell,
Founder, LDN Collective, UK

Inspirational, evidence-based, strategic planning and design for large-scale urban environments, focused on game-changing elements which protect and promote citizens' health and well-being, underpinned by a clear commitment to the principles of health equity and sustainable development. Submissions should demonstrate the adoption of innovative and inclusive planning, design and investment strategies that provide equitable access to healthy housing, safe and active transport choices, good quality air, water and food, access to natural environments and essential services and amenities, including healthcare, education and employment across the life course.



Design research for healthy cities

Lead judge: Rachel Cooper,
Professor of Design Management and Policy,
Lancaster University, UK

An original, complete and independently assessed research project which makes a significant contribution to the conceptualization, planning, design, development, or evaluation of the urban environment, as a key factor in improving human health, equity and wellbeing and promoting the principles of sustainable development. Research projects are welcomed from practitioner organisations and academic institutions, and may include but is not limited to design research studies, advanced design innovations, health impact studies, frameworks, tools, and guidelines.



Healthy placemaking for community impact

Lead judge: Mark Drane, Director; Urban
Habitats; research advisor, SALUS, UK

A transformational micro or meso creative placemaking scheme that enhances the public realm, impacting positively on the health and quality of life of the community. Submissions should demonstrate active community engagement and co-creation. Schemes may include but are not limited to: community gardens and parks, nature preservation, playgrounds, courtyards, plazas, trails, public arts installations, pop-up, digital placemaking and other cultural activations.

For further enquiries on the awards,
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