



CotY 2019

Entry deadline: Monday, November 26, 2018 at 5:00 p.m.

Questions? Reach out to us at info@naricincinnati.org or 937-222-6274

This local program mirrors the NARI National CotY Awards Program. This paperwork may be used to enter the Regional/National Awards program online. However, you will need to confirm categories.

For complete National entry, visit www.nari.org.



COTY PROCESS, RULES & GUIDELINES

[Deadlines and Fees](#)

November 26, 2018 - \$145

Team entry (additional fee) - \$75

[Coty Rules](#)

- Only NARI members in good standing are eligible to participate.
- The entrant company needs to be the NARI member that had complete oversight and supervisory responsibilities for the work completed (not applicable on specialty entries). Other NARI member companies that worked on the project may be included as Team Members (see below).
- The project finish date range is December 1, 2016 through November 30, 2018.
- Only entries that have never been submitted in prior NARI awards contests are eligible.
- Client/Contractor and Photographer's release forms must be completed and returned for each entry. These forms will not be seen by the judges and are the only area where the member's identity (or anyone involved with the project) can be revealed. Forms are available during the entry process.
- Entrants are required to provide a project summary, 100 words or less, in addition to their presentation. This summary will be collected via the online form and will be used to describe winning projects after the winners are announced.
- Any photo enhancement is limited to brightness, contrast or sharpness. Do not add or remove items or change the image in any way that may increase or decrease the value of the project.
- All projects entered in CotY categories must be an improvement or addition to an existing structure. Entries for new structures will not be accepted except where specifically noted in the category description.
- The same project may only be entered in one category. If you have a large, multi-area project, and would like to enter just a portion of it, it's fine to break it down. For example: if your project included the remodel of an entire house, you can enter an Entire House category OR enter a Kitchen category, an Interior category, two Bathroom categories, etc. Keep in mind you will have to break out costs for each

project on each entry form. If you enter your project in this way, you will not be able to enter any of the same remodeled areas again.

- The Awards Committee and Judges reserve the right to disqualify, adjust the category or deduct points from any entry that does not follow these rules and guidelines, without prior notice.
- All fees are nonrefundable, non-transferable and cannot be carried over to subsequent years.

[View CotY Categories and Judging Criteria](#)

[Forms & Details](#)

Click to download:

- [Entry Form](#)
- [Photographer's Release](#)

Fill out the form and include it in your Dropbox file folder which will be emailed to you upon registration.

[Team Entries](#)

Team members may be included in an entry.

- Team members are other companies, either current members or prospective members (who join prior to January 1, 2019), that also worked on the project.
- Team member details will be collected during entry process.
- There is an additional \$75 fee per team member on each entry (up to three).

[Project Presentation](#)

The presentation must be submitted in PDF format and can be up to 30 pages long. The presentation is the only file the judges will see. Please do not include your company name or any individual's name in your presentation.

- Be sure to include the following:
 - Project statement
 - Drawings
 - Images
 - Descriptive text or captions
 - Before and after photos. We recommend putting the 'After' photos first, immediately followed by the 'Before' photos.

Photo Tips

We will need all images you included in your project presentation in .jpg or .jpeg format.

These images will be used for our awards presentation and promotion purposes.

The judges will not view these.

- Each image must be a high-quality resolution of at least 300 dpi, a minimum of size of 4 x 6 (1200 x 1800 pixels) and no larger than 12 MB each. You can upload up to 20 images, but we require a minimum of 10. If you don't have 10 photos from the project, repeat one to the images to meet the requirements.

Whether or not you use a professional photographer, please keep the following in mind:

- Take 'Before' photos before you start every project. It's good to make this a standard practice for marketing materials and award entries. Take these shots from many angles.
- Take 'After' photos from the same angles as the 'Before' photos whenever possible. This helps give judges a good perspective of the transformation and it's helpful if the judges can see these photos consecutively.
- Include both vertical and horizontal photos.
- Only include photos that will enhance the project entry. Although you have 30 pages to display the project, you don't need to use them all.
- As stated above, any photo enhancement is limited to brightness, contrast or sharpness. No items may be added or removed through photo enhancement techniques. Do not add or subtract items or change the image in a way that may increase or decrease the value of the project.

Register & Pay for Your Entries

Please [click here](#) to register and pay for your CotY entry.

If you would like to pay via check, please mail it to:

Ohio Valley NARI
136 South Keowee Street
Dayton, OH 45402

Once you submit registration and payment, a Dropbox link will be emailed to you. If you are submitting a Team entry, the link will be sent to both companies' emails that were submitted with registration.

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If you are interested in submitting a project for the Regional and National CotYs, please visit www.nari.org.