

TABIA and City of Toronto BIA Awards Night

Since 2012, the BIA Awards Night is a celebration of the significant projects and notable achievements of Toronto's Business Improvement Areas (BIAs). These awards recognize the dedication and community impact of BIAs, as well as their vital contributions to strengthening the local economy and enhancing Toronto's neighbourhoods. This annual event is hosted by TABIA and the City of Toronto. See list of award categories.

BIA Award Categories

- ◆ Masterplan (*including Masterplans previously or currently executed*)
- ◆ Creative Solutions (*outline the problem and explain the solution*)
- ◆ Member Support
- ◆ Innovation
- ◆ Activations
- ◆ Well-Being and Safety
- ◆ Streetscape Design
- ◆ Community Engagement
- ◆ Environmental Initiatives
- ◆ Events (*some events may also qualify for other award categories*)
- ◆ Mural (*including art on any surface, such as utility boxes, sidewalks, road, etc.*)
- ◆ Floral Design
- ◆ Marketing (*including branding or marketing campaigns*)

Individual Award Categories

Nominate an individual in your BIA who embodies the following individual awards:

- ◆ Michael Comstock, Community Builder Award
- ◆ Alex Ling, Lifetime Achievement Award

BIA-Suggested Award Categories

Propose a new award category that highlights a unique project or achievement, such as:

- ◆ Construction Mitigation
- ◆ BIA Member Support (*supporting other BIAs*)

If you have any questions regarding the Awards Night or nominations, please contact Monina Cepeda at monina@toronto-bia.com

**Nomination Guidelines continued on next page.*

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Nomination Guidelines

- ◆ Self-nominations and BIA Office nominations are accepted.
- ◆ Projects or initiatives executed November of the prior year to current year November are accepted. E.g. November 2024 – November 2025
- ◆ BIAs may nominate a single project for several award categories, but the project can only be awarded in one category.
 - Please clearly outline project merit if multiple award categories are selected.
- ◆ Some award categories will have a large-budget and small-budget category. We strongly encourage smaller BIAs to submit nominations.
- ◆ Media: Nominations require the submission of a minimum of one (1) photo. Videos are not required to submit a nomination.
- ◆ Awards are adjudicated jointly by representatives from TABIA and the City of Toronto BIA Office.

Review, Save and Submit

You have a few options prior to submitting your nomination. At the bottom of the form, there are 3 button options.

- ◆ **Review:** Select Review to review your application before submitting.
- ◆ **Save:** Select Save to resume form completion at a later time. You will receive an email with a link to continue your nomination form where you left off.
 - *Please note*, a Saved submission is not considered Submitted. You must click Submit in order for the nomination to be considered by the committee.
- ◆ **Submit:** Select Submit to submit completed nomination form ready for Selection committee review.

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We look forward to receiving your nominations.

Best,

TABIA Team