

DEGREE THESIS AWARD
“LANDSCAPE, ARCHITECTURE AND STONE DESIGN”
1st EDITION

Competition Regulations

Article 1 - INSTITUTION OF THE AWARD

The Degree Thesis Award "Landscape, Architecture and Stone Design", conceived and organised by VeronaFiere, is part of the cultural activities of Marmomacc, the International Natural Stone Design and Technologies Exhibition, intended to promote an informed culture of stone among architects, engineers, designers and producers in the natural stone industry.

In particular, the Award aims to contribute to the approach towards stone materials, their knowledge and correct usage, in the formative stage of future professionals by stimulating - through a specific competition involving degree theses - the creation of educational courses focusing on the use of these materials in architecture, landscape and design projects.

To achieve this, as for other initiatives concerning stone culture, Marmomacc relies on the collaboration of the Order of Architects, Planners, Landscape Designers and Conservation Experts of the Province of Verona.

The competition is open to Italian Faculties of Architecture, Engineering, Design and equivalent and involves an award, an exhibition and a publication.

The Degree Thesis Award, as of this first edition, is configured as a section dedicated to training in Italy of the "International Stone Architecture Award", the prestigious award for the best works in stone completed on an international scale, which celebrated its eleventh edition in 2009; as such, it will be included in the promotion and communication of special events at Marmomacc.

Article 2 - THE AWARD

The Award is intended for Degree Theses focusing on themes with stone content which present an original contribution concerning the use of stone materials in various aspects of research, architectural and landscape design, and design.

The Award will be held every two years, in alternation with the "International Stone Architecture Award", and is divided into two sections:

a) Landscape and architecture

It includes study areas such as research, design projects and construction of public and private buildings, urban spaces, landscape and environmental recovery of quarries, recovery and restoration of existing historic sites.

b) Design

It includes objects of everyday use, furnishings for interiors and exteriors, product innovations obtainable through processing of stone materials.

Each section will assign a First Prize for the best work and two Special Mentioned for works and projects assessed by the jury as worth for particular aspects.

The overall prize fund is 8,000.00 Euro and will be distributed in each section as follows:

- First prize equal to 3,000.00 Euro;
- Special Mention prizes equal to 500.00 Euro each.

The Jury, if it so decided, may define a different attribution of the Awards and identify further Special Mentions or Mentions.

Article 3 - CONDITIONS OF PARTICIPATION

The competition is open to new graduates from Faculties of Architecture, Engineering and Design or equivalent Training Institutes, with three-year or five-year degrees.

Candidatures for the Award may be presented by individuals or groups who have discussed a degree thesis after 30 June 2007 at the Faculties indicated above.

The following are excluded:

- effective or deputy members of the jury;
- members of the Award secretariat;
- spouses and close relatives (through to third level inclusive) of members of the above-mentioned categories;
- the sponsors of the Award, in the possible forms of participation and categories listed above.

Article 4 - ENROLMENT

Candidatures for the Award must be made using the specific form which can be downloaded from the sites of the organisers:

www.marmomacc.it - www.vr.archiworld.it - www.architetturadi Pietra.it

The enrolment form must be sent by Registered letter **by 30 June 2010** to the Award Secretariat c/o:

**Ordine degli Architetti P.P.C. di Verona
Via Oberdan, 3
37121 Verona**

Article 5) DOCUMENTATION TO BE PRESENTED

In order to take part in the selection by the jury, the documents listed hereafter must be presented:

- a) brief curriculum (maximum 1500 chars, spaces included), and photo of the candidate or design group;
- b) thesis project identification data card (University, Faculty, speakers, co-speakers, Academic Year);
- c) a complete, printed copy of the thesis in A4 format for texts and A3 for plates. A digital copy of the thesis.
- d) a brief summary of the project (max. 4000 chars, spaces included, in Italian and English; the translation is excluded from the calculation), with particular emphasis on the description of the stone materials chosen and the construction techniques used.

Article 6 - CONSIGNMENT OF DOCUMENTS

The documents listed above must be sent, in a closed envelope, to the Award Secretariat by 12.00 noon on **15 July 2010** c/o:

Ordine degli Architetti Pianificatori Paesaggisti Conservatori della Provincia di Verona

The costs for consignment shall be borne by participants. Non-observance of document delivery times, the absence of necessary participation requisites and non-conformity of documents as regards Article 5 of these regulations shall constitute reasons for exclusion from selection by the jury. For deliveries by means of postal services or private couriers, the departure stamp date shall be valid, although documents must reach the Secretariat by **21 July 2010**, on pain of exclusion. The organisers of the Award will not accept any cost for receipt of entries nor any responsibility in the event that an entry is not delivered because if payment of expenses or additional taxes is necessary.

Article 7 - JURY:

The jury will comprise:

- Alfonso Acocella, President of the Jury
- Vincenzo Pavan, Representative of Marmomacc, Verona
- Arnaldo Toffali, President of the Verona Order Architects
- Theo Brenner, Berlin
- Francesco Venezia, Naples
- Aldo Cibic, Milan

The decisions of the jury are final and binding.

Article 8 - NOTIFICATION OF RESULTS

The results of the selection with identification of the winners and special mentions will be notified to all participants by **10 September 2010**; the report detailing the results and the motivations of the award and the prizes assigned will also be published through the official Marmomacc site www.marmomacc.it, the site of the Verona Order of Architects www.vr.archiworld.it, the Stone Architecture Blog site www.architetturadi Pietra.it , the web sites of media partners and the sector press.

The winners, special mentions and other mentions will be asked, for the exhibition of entries during the Show, to summarise their theses in a number of plates in accordance with a layout that will be notified in timely fashion.

Article 9 - AWARD PRESENTATION AND EXHIBITION OF SELECTED WORKS

All projects winning awards and others deemed worthy of special mention or mention will be displayed in an exhibition in the cultural spaces of Marmomacc (Verona 29 September- 2 October 2010).

The awards and special mentions will be made during a specific ceremony organised during the cultural events at Marmomacc 2010.

Article 10 - PUBLICATION OF AWARD-WINNING PROJECTS

Projects winning awards, together with all those deemed worthy or special mention or mention, will be published in handbook and/or CD dedicated to this edition of the Award.

Article 11 - ACCEPTANCE OF AWARD REGULATIONS

On sending the documentation necessary for inclusion in the competition, Award participants:

- accept and agree to all the regulations defined herein;
- agree that entries will not be returned;
- authorise VeronaFiere, as promoter of the Award, to use and publish the contents of the works and projects developed as degree theses for total or partial publication, even for advertising purposes, with mention of the source and without any further rights concerning copyright;
- undertake to waive VeronaFiere from any disputes, claims or judgements concerning the contents of the works and projects developed as degree theses used and published in the publications indicated at the previous item.

The Award Directorate reserves the right to make any and every modification that it decides may be necessary for the success of the event, as well as every request for integration of the material received.

Article 12 - Award Secretariat and reference addresses

The Organising Secretariat: of the Award c/o:

Ordine degli Architetti P.P.C. di Verona
Via Oberdan 3- 37121 Verona /
Tel. 045 8034959
mail: architettiverona@archiworld.it

Information and requests for clarification may be sent by e-mail to the Award Secretariat by **01/06/2010**. Answers will be published in the page dedicated to the Award by **15/06/2010**.

Organised by:

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