

2022 NKBA ONTARIO CHAPTER DESIGN COMPETITION OFFICIAL ENTRY PACKAGE



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Enter Ontario's most prestigious Design Competition for the Kitchen & Bath Industry and make your mark as one of the "Best NKBA Ontario Kitchen & Bath Designers".

The Design Competition is open to all NKBA Ontario Chapter members, or employees of members' firms. It is intended to showcase the finest design projects from members of our Chapter.

Entry form and payment must be received by **Friday October 29, 2021**

Submissions due November 12, 2021



WINNER RECOGNITION

- Winners will be announced at the Virtual NKBA Design Competition Awards event on **Tuesday February 22, 2022**
- Professional Press Release made available following the Awards to promote the winners online and in print.
- Opportunity for exposure in local and national consumer and trade publications.
- Winners will be posted on the nkba.ca website after the gala and featured on social media.

AWARDS

First Place	\$500.00
Second Place	\$250.00
Pinnacle Winner	\$2,000.00
Specialty Awards*	\$500.00

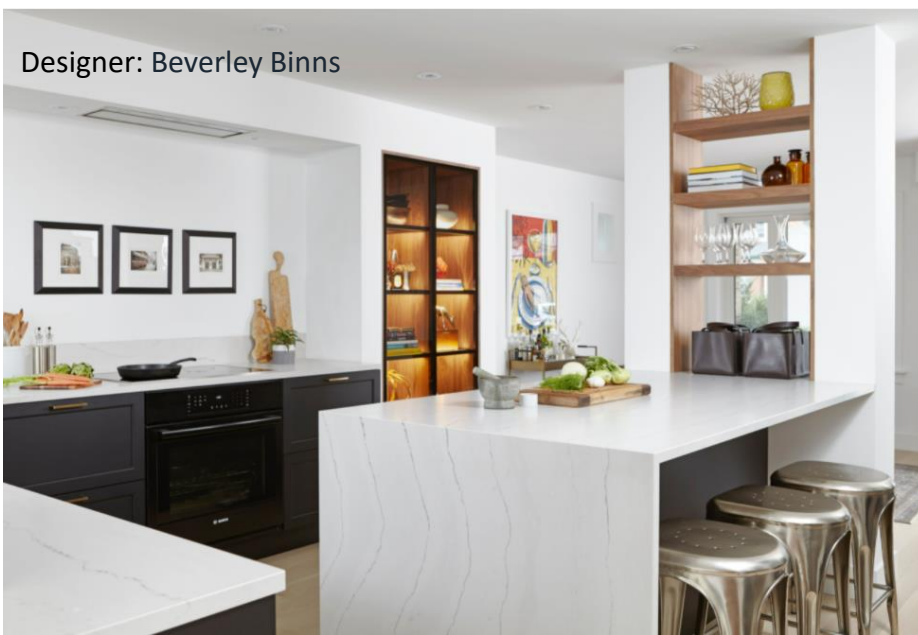
The Judges and Design Competition Committee reserve the right to add third place and honourable mention placements. * One winner per Specialty Category

The Pinnacle Winner is selected from all first-place entries excluding Promotional Display and is the overall best design in the competition.

CATEGORIES

- **Compact Kitchen**
Less than 150 sq. ft.
- **Small Kitchen**
151-250 sq. ft.
- **Medium Kitchen**
251-350 sq. ft.
- **Large Kitchen**
More than 351 sq. ft.
- **Outdoor Kitchens**
- **Powder Room**
Sink and toilet no shower or tub
- **Small Bathroom**
Less than 65 sq. ft.
- **Medium Bathroom**
66-90 sq. ft.
- **Large Bathroom**
More than 91 sq. ft.
- **Other Rooms**
Laundry, office, beverage centre, etc.
- **Promotional Display**
Showroom, trade show display etc.
- **Concept Kitchen** Let your imagination run wild! Design a kitchen for the fictional clients described in this entry packet. The judges will be looking for functionality and creativity.

Square footage includes any portion of space that has cabinetry, countertops, and/or appliances.



SPECIALTY CATEGORIES

All entries qualify for additional specialty awards when indicated on your entry form at additional fee of \$50 per entry.

- **Best Traditional Kitchen**
Classic design incorporating elements from past eras
- **Best “Before and After” Kitchen**
Before floor plan & pictures must be included
- **Best “Before and After” Bath**
Before floor plan & pictures must be included
- **Budget Friendly Kitchen**
Non-professional freestanding range; freestanding refrigerator not built-in
- **Best Sustainable Design**
Kitchen or Bathroom* additional design statement required
- **Best New Designer**
Professionally practicing Kitchen and Bath design for 3 years or less
- **People’s Choice Award** Finalists are selected by judges and the Design Competition Committee from any category. Online public voting is conducted by HOMES Publishing Group

CONCEPT KITCHEN DESIGN

This is where we level the playing field ...no budget & no client to stamp out your creative ideas! Aside from the following criteria, let your imagination run wild! There will only be one prize awarded for 1st place, so don't hold back. Have fun!

Aarti & Jason would like you to design a kitchen for healthy living & environmentally friendly forever home they are having built for their young family of 4: 3 yr. old boy and a 6 yr old daughter with a progressive condition. Their Cavalier King Charles Spaniel, Maui is a big part of the family too. This family is fanatic about cooking and about health and safety, so great attention must be made to ensure the design meets their high standards. As this is their forever home attention to futuristic and longevity of design is recommended. The shape of the kitchen space is up to you, as they have decided to work the rest of the home plan around your design. They only ask is for the space to be no larger than 400 sq ft.

SPECIAL NOTES:

- all appliances and fixtures must be in existence today (2021) – on the market
or as an already built prototype – Not required as created a concept with current times and as forever home with a focus on future

WHAT TO SUBMIT:

1. Layout (1/4", 1/2" or 1:20 metric scale) – drawings must abide by NKBA Graphic & Presentation Standards
2. Elevations (1/4", 1/2" or 1:20 metric scale) – drawings must abide by NKBA Graphic & Presentation Standards
3. Renderings (optional but recommended) – max. 4 angles, printed on 8 1/2" x 11" paper
4. Design Statement – max. 600 word narrative
5. Proof of existence for any appliance or fixture not regularly used in today's kitchens.

JUDGING

ALL ENTRIES WILL BE SCORED ON THE FOLLOWING AREAS:

- **Visual Appeal**
- **Creativity**
- **Elements and Principles Of Design**
- **Presentation** - *Quality of floor plan, elevation or perspective.*
- **Basic Safety & Ergonomics** - *Projects with an obvious disregard for the health, safety and welfare of the clients will be disqualified. See Entry Tips page for Ontario Building Code guideline for cabinetry clearance above cooking surface.*



SUSTAINABLE SPECIALTY CATEGORIES

- **List of Sustainable Features, Products and Materials** *Incorporated in the project. Provide certifications verified by a third party.*
- **Comprehensive**
List and describe to what extent the project has attributes that produce savings in energy electrical and natural gas, water, waste and use of recycled materials.
- **Design Statement**
Describe responsible construction methods or practices used that promote health, wellness, conservation and/or sustainability, 200 –300 maximum words.

JUDGES

Individuals selected to judge are NKBA Certified Designers and Industry Experts. Judges are not eligible to enter the competition in the year of their service.

This competition is judged by the best of what is entered

COMPETITION GUIDELINES

- The Designer of Record on all projects entered must be the work of a NKBA Ontario Chapter member. Co-designers are not required to be members of NKBA. Non NKBA members can click [here](#) to become members.
- Projects must have been completed between: **October 1, 2019 and October 1, 2021.** This extended two-year period is an exception due to the current situation.
- Entries, if published prior to the announcement and official publication of the competition results, **must not make reference to this competition or will be disqualified.**
- If the entrant is not the owner of the business that billed the project, owner approval is required for eligibility. The owner is not required to be a member of NKBA.
- All entries must include a photo release from the project owner/client
- Projects must be submitted in one single PDF file format.
- One entry form per design project. Please copy entry form for each additional entry.
- Entries are limited to **2 per person per category (including co-designer) up to a maximum of 6 categories.** All identifying designer and firm information should be deleted from all floor plans, interpretive drawings, design statements and project photos. All submitted materials become property of NKBA Ontario Chapter and will not be returned.
- On your entry form, please select the category which your project best represents. Judges reserve the right to enter a project in a more appropriate category, if necessary.
- NKBA Ontario Chapter retains non-exclusive rights to all photography for future promotional, public relations and education purposes. Professional photography is highly recommended, the submitted photography is used for publication of winners online and in print. Reshoots are not possible. Entries that do not include professional photography will not be penalized but also may not be considered for publication and promotion.

ALL ENTRIES MUST INCLUDE MANDATORY CHECK LIST

Floor Plan

➤ *Before & after if applicable. Scale must be clearly labeled. Please refer to NKBA guidelines.*

****BEFORE & AFTER SPECIALTY CATEGORY must include “before” floor plan & “before” photos***

Interpretative Drawing

➤ *Elevations only (perspective drawings not accepted). Please refer to NKBA guidelines.*

Design Statement

➤ *200-500 words MAXIMUM. Explain highlights and solutions. Entries with Design Statements over 500 words will be penalized.*

Photographs

➤ *Photographs are required to be submitted with entry. A maximum number of **6 after photos** are to be submitted. Before photos are in addition to the maximum of **6 after photos**.*

➤ *Professional photography is highly recommended as the submitted photography is used for publication and at the Design Awards Gala.*

➤ *Photo of Designer (HEAD SHOT), must be submitted with entry.*

Signed Photo Release from project owner / client

If applicable signed Release from Employer

Signed Entry Form

Entry fee

➤ ***\$50.00** for each entry cheque payable to NKBA Ontario Chapter.*

Designer Signature _____



Designer: Rose Barroso

DESIGN AWARDS PROGRAM

One award will be presented per winning entry regardless of the number of co-designers. A special awards ceremony will be hosted by the NKBA Ontario Chapter it will serve as the official announcement of the winners and the presentation of their award.

NKBA Ontario Chapter Gala Virtual Awards Presentation on Tuesday February 22, 2022

Each designer who enters will receive one VIP Package complimentary.

This offer is only valid with your design competition entry.

DISQUALIFICATION

Failure to meet or observe any of the eligibility or contest requirements is grounds for disqualification. NKBA Ontario Chapter reserves the right to disqualify a project before, during or after the contest judging, and official announcement of winners and awards presentation.

ENTRY TIPS

PHOTOGRAPHY

GET the RIGHT PERSPECTIVE

- Take lots of photos from every angle. This will help you achieve the best view and you can always crop out anything unwanted in the final image but you cannot add.
- Shoot Into the corner, make sure the verticals are straight
- Kitchen- shot from a point to show counter tops

LIGHTING

- **NATURAL LIGHT** is preferable, One way to help shoot with just natural light is to shoot with longer exposure times using a tripod. Use a fill flash if necessary to fill in shadows and highlight details. It is easy to use reflectors or white boards to bounce light into the areas you need to highlight as well.
- **PRACTICE SHOOTING** will help you avoid the mistakes and cut down on your editing.

CLEAN & CLEAR & DECLUTTER

- **CLEAN:** the kitchen/bath especially any reflective surfaces glass/mirror
- **CLEAR:** remove clutter & personal items
- **STAGING/STYLING:** is an important part of the shoot, let the interior tell the story. Be aware of contrasting colours as they can become the focal point and take away from the design
- **KITCHEN:** window view: make sure view adds to the space and consider the colour it would add to the cabinetry
- **BATHROOMS :** clear sink of used toiletries & remember to put the **SEAT DOWN!**

ENTRY TIPS (CONTINUED)

PETS & PEOPLE:

- May become too personal and sometimes distracting for a Design Competition. Save the frames with Pets & People for your web page.

PROFESSIONAL PHOTOGRAPHY

- There are lots out there to choose from and well worth the investment for professional shots.
- Ask for referrals and be able to review their portfolio to make sure you like their work. They have all of the professional equipment, have the editing capabilities and can take a lot of shots in an hour or two and are well worth the investment

HIGH RESOLUTION

- Remember photos will also be enlarged for the big screen for presentation
- High Resolution can help get you PUBLISHED
- Photographs should be at least **300 DPI** for print purposes.
- For 8X10 image the resolution should be around 2400 x 3000 (8 times 300 = 2400) x (10 times 300 = 3000) It is always better to shoot at a higher resolution as you can always go down in size but not up in size or you lose clarity.

ONTARIO BUILDING CODE CABINET CLEARANCE:

- Cabinetry adjacent to cooking surface require vertical clearance of 457mm (1ft 6in) and horizontal clearance of 457 mm (1ft 6in) to combustible finishes.



ENTRY APPLICATION DETAILS:

Entry Application : [2022 DC Entry Form](#)

Email Entry Form To: nkbaontario@gmail.com

Payment: <https://bit.ly/2ZabKlq>

Entry form and payment must be received by: Friday October 29, 2021

Once payment has been received you will be assigned a dropbox link to upload your submissions, this must be done by **November 12, 2021**

DESIGN & GALA COMPETITION COMMITTEE

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