

100% Design South Africa announces 2018 Design Awards winners

100% Design South Africa announced its 2018 Design Award Winners at a gala awards evening held at Gallagher Convention Centre on Thursday 9 August 2018.



From left to right (back row): Zydia Botes from SMING GOOD, Carl Ascroft, Michael Smith, Phillip Houtlander and Joe Sefako from Houtlander, Alice Hutton, Stephen Wilson from Houtlander, Joe Paine, Anton Louw (Kino), Dylan Davies from Voke and Laurence Brick from Platform Creative Agency. Front row from left: Bonolo Chepape from Lunasclan, Cathy O'Clery from Platform Creative Agency, Nico Hendriksz from Kino, Marco Simal from Mother City Hardware and Sandra Jardim, the general manager of 100% Design South Africa. Image supplied.

The proceedings took place at the 100% Design Café designed by leading local artisans, Houtlander and was hosted by design savvy journalists and DJ's Zanele Kumalo and Zodwa Kumalo-Valentine.

Judges

The winners of the 100% Design Awards were chosen by an independent panel of 10 members including publishing editors, members of the media, designers, tastemakers and influencers. The 2018 judging panel included: Tiaan Nagel of *House and Leisure*; Ntombenhle Shezi of *Elle Decoration*; Sumien Brink and Annemarie Meintjes of *Visi*; Leana Schoeman of the *Sunday Times*; Debbie Loots of *Real Life Magazine*; Zanele Kumalo of Media24; industrial designer Richard Sparks; Aiwekhoe Iyahan of Luxe Noir; and Daniel van der Merwe of the PPC Imaginarium.

The judging process took place throughout the day on Wednesday, 8 August 2018 and was facilitated and audited by Angus Campbell, head of the Department of Industrial Design at the University of Johannesburg. The awards were judged in the following categories:

Categories

South African Designer of the Year – An annual award that seeks to recognise a designer who displays excellence in their field with regards to concept, quality and design.

Best Furniture Design – The judges were looking for a stylish piece of functional furniture from the residential, office or hospitality sector, whether local or international. This needed to be a new design from the last two years.

Best Product Design – An original design that shows intelligence and consideration in terms of material use.

Best Lighting Design – The judges were on the hunt for an electrical lighting solution, whether local or international, which showed style and innovation. Energy-saving considerations, although not a pre-requisite, were a bonus.

Best Textile Design – awarded in memory of Julian Gelb – An award that recognises excellence in fabric design.

Best Surface Design – Here, the criteria are style and/or innovation in wallpapers, wall treatments, wall coverings, fitted carpets, rugs, floor coverings, tiles or 3D-printed surfaces.

Best Stand Design – This award seeks to recognise a stand design that is eye-catching and promotes visitor interaction and engagement. The stand should add to the overall aesthetic and experience of 100% Design South Africa.

Best of 100% Talent – An award to recognise an emerging design talent.

2018 Winners

Best Lighting Design

Joe Paine for his The Stilt Light

Surface Design

SMTNG Good for throws

Best Textile Design

lulasclan

Best of 100% New Talent

Ben Orkin for his Nebnikro Ceramic Vessels

Best Office Design

100% Office by Alice Hutton

Best Product Design

Mother City Hardware for their Kitchen Island

Best Furniture Design

Kino for both cabinets, the Heildronk Kas and the Neut Drinks Cabinet

Best Stand Design

Yudu

Designer of the Year

Houtlander

According to 100% Design South Africa programme director Cathy O'Clery:

“ The 100% Design Awards are a way for designers to be recognised for their achievements and a way for us to highlight standout work, as well as encourage an ever-increasing standard across the board, year on year. ”

Held alongside Decorex Joburg, 100% Design South Africa runs until 12 August 2018 and promises to titillate the senses with the very best of local product design showcased alongside top international brands.

For more information, click [here](#).

Essential information for 100% Design South Africa dates

8 August – Trade only

9 August – Consumer and trade

10 August – Consumer and trade

11 August – Consumer and trade

12 August – Consumer and trade

Opening times: 10am – 6pm daily

Ticket prices: R120 for adults; R20 for kids under 12; R90 for trade and exhibitors.

Venue: Gallagher Convention Centre, Midrand, Gauteng

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