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# Entries open for the 2027 Master Builders ACT Excellence Awards

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**Entries are officially open for the 2027 Master Builders ACT Excellence Awards, with the Association calling on local industry to submit their projects for the ACT's most prestigious building and construction awards program.**

Entries are open until 5pm on Friday 26 February 2027, with Master Builders ACT calling for entries from across residential, commercial and civil projects, as well as nominations for subcontractors and suppliers and a range of individual awards.

A key change this year allows builders to nominate their key suppliers and subcontractors for the Supplier of the Year and Subcontractor of the Year categories, recognising the vital contributions of the wider industry.

'The Excellence Awards are the pinnacle of our industry calendar, and the 2026 program set a new benchmark with a record number of entries and 47 national finalists, the most we've ever had,' said Anna Neelagama, CEO of Master Builders ACT.

The full category list spans residential, commercial, civil, sustainable construction, work health and safety, and individual/company awards, culminating in the top honours of 2027 Project of the Year and 2027 House of the Year.

'We're excited to open entries for the 2027 Awards and encourage builders, subcontractors and suppliers of all sizes to put their projects forward. This is the opportunity to have your work recognised as the best in Canberra,' Ms Neelagama said.

'For 2027, we've expanded the program to allow builders to nominate their key suppliers and subcontractors, because we know excellence is a team effort. We're also proud to celebrate

outstanding individuals through categories like Construction Woman of the Year and Young Builder of the Year.'

Entrants must be a Master Builders ACT member to enter, with the Association strongly encouraging non-members considering entering the Awards to do so early to avoid delays that impact their awards entry

'Becoming a member not only allows you to enter the Awards, it opens the door to the broader support, advocacy and community that Master Builders ACT provides,' Ms Neelagama said.

**Key dates**

- **Entries open:** 9am, Monday 13 November 2026
- **Entries close:** 5pm, Friday 26 February 2027
- **Judging period:** Monday 22 March – Friday 30 April 2027
- **Judges review:** Mid-May 2027
- **Finalists/non-finalists notified:** Tuesday 1 June 2027
- **Awards night:** Friday 3 September 2027

Download the Entry Guide from the Master Builders ACT website.

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