The third International Footbridge Awards will be presented at the Footbridge 2008 conference which will be held in Porto on 2-4 July 2008.

Bridge design & engineering is delighted to invite entries for the 2008 awards. The winners will be chosen by a panel of independent judges who will assess all entries on their merits, and will award a total of six prizes in two categories: aesthetics and technology. Within these categories three prizes will be given, one for each of three sub-groups; short, medium and long-span footbridges.

Full details of the criteria for competition entries are included in the subsequent pages, where you will also find all the information necessary to prepare your submission for the competition. If you require any further details or information, please contact Bridge design & engineering editor Helena Russell.

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CLOSING DATE FOR ENTRIES: 14th JANUARY 2008

The judging panel:

The judging panel will be a selection of international, independent experts working in the bridge industry. Judges’ names will be announced in October.

Awards ceremony:

The results of the Bridge design & engineering Footbridge Awards 2008 will be revealed, and the awards presented at the cocktail reception during the conference.

For further information on the conference please visit www.footbridge2008.com
Categories:
All bridges designed to be used by pedestrians and/or pedal cyclists and/or equestrians which were opened to the public between 1st January 2005 and 31st December 2007 are eligible for nomination.

There are two main categories - aesthetics and technology - and each is subdivided into three categories depending on the size of the maximum clear span of the structure.

- Short span is defined as less than 30m
- Medium span is between 30m and 75m
- Long span is greater than 75m

Judging criteria:
The judges will be given complete freedom in reaching their final decisions, but will take particular note of the following criteria:

- fitness for purpose
- client satisfaction
- value for money
- quality of design and construction
- innovation
- appearance, harmony with the environment
- efficient use of materials
- application of research and development results
- benefit to the community
- energy saving
- the final performance compared
- life-cycle costs with the predicted performance

Judging process:
Up to five projects will be selected to form the shortlist for each of the six awards:

Aesthetics:
- short span (up to 30m)
- medium span (30m to 75m)
- long span (over 75m)

Technology:
- short span (up to 30m)
- medium span (30m to 75m)
- long span (over 75m)

The winning projects will be selected from this list, and all of the shortlisted projects will be covered in a special publication.

Winning projects will be presented with a specially-designed trophy, and each of the main parties in the team (owner, engineer, architect, contractor) will receive a certificate. Judges have been carefully selected to try and ensure independence. However if any member of the judging panel has an association with any of the entries, he or she will withdraw from the relevant part of the adjudication process.
Rules of entry:

Competitors are asked to read these rules carefully before preparing and sending entries. Any submission not complying with the rules may be rejected. Entries must comply with the category criteria set out in the next section and comprise the following items, in a wallet folder (please do not bind the items together in any form).

1. Completed entry form

2. Fee for each entry of £100 (€150/US$180). A fee is required for each footbridge project submitted. Payment can be made in two ways:
   a. Cheque in POUNDS STERLING ONLY payable to Hemming Group Limited and sent with the entry form.
      - In sterling (£100) to account no: 81214225. International Bank Account Number: GB85 MIDL 4003 1581 2142 25. Bank Identification Code: MIDLGB2106M
      - In Euros (€150) to account no: 39976729. International Bank Account Number: GB84 MIDL 4005 1539 9767 29. Bank Identification Code: MIDLGB22
      Proof of the bank transfer should be sent with the entry form. Please reference your payment ‘Footbridge awards - 6ZFB’.

3. Written evidence of the agreement of the commissioning authority, the designer and the contractor to the submission of the entry.

4. An electronic Word or PDF document containing no more than 800 words and six images on no more than 2 pages of A4. The text should include an introductory paragraph which summarises why the project should be considered for an award in the category to which it has been submitted. Competitors should note the judging criteria and use this to guide the content of the written submission. It should include basic information about the project - the purpose of the bridge, the design approach, and the method of construction - as well as any special features of the technology or aesthetics which entrants wish to highlight. Pictures should include at least one photograph of the whole or majority of the finished structure in its final setting. Other pictures may be selected by the entrants to showcase particular elements or processes of the project. Entries should be sent on CD to the address below. Entries cannot be accepted by email.

5. The judges have absolute discretion and may, without recourse against them or any of the promoters or sponsors, reject any entry which does not comply with the requirements of the rules, determine the category for which any entry is eligible and make or withhold any award from any entry. The judges’ discretion shall be absolutely final and binding on all entrants and no discussion or correspondence relating to any of the judges’ decisions will be entered into.

6. It is a condition of entry that all written and photographic material submitted for the awards will be licensed for publication in Bridge design & engineering at no cost to Hemming Group.

7. Entries must arrive no later than 14th January 2008 at:
   Footbridge 2008 Awards
   Bridge design & engineering
   32 Vauxhall Bridge Road London
   SW1V 2SS
   UK
   Tel: +44 20 7973 4697
   Fax: +44 20 7973 4797
NAME OF FOOTBRIDGE
______________________________________________________________________________________________
LOCATION OF FOOTBRIDGE (town/city/river, region, country)
______________________________________________________________________________________________
______________________________________________________________________________________________
______________________________________________________________________________________________
AWARD CATEGORY (Aesthetics/Technology; small, medium or long span)
______________________________________________________________________________________________
DATE FOOTBRIDGE OPENED TO THE PUBLIC
______________________________________________________________________________________________

Commissioning Authority

NAME OF COMPANY

PERSON RESPONSIBLE FOR FOOTBRIDGE

ADDRESS

TELEPHONE

FAX

EMAIL

Principal Designer

NAME OF COMPANY

PERSON RESPONSIBLE FOR FOOTBRIDGE

ADDRESS

TELEPHONE

FAX

EMAIL
ENTRY FORM

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Architect (if principal designer is a structural engineer) / Structural Engineer (if principal designer is an architect)

NAME OF COMPANY

PERSON RESPONSIBLE FOR FOOTBRIDGE

ADDRESS

TELEPHONE

FAX

EMAIL

Principal Contractor

NAME OF COMPANY

PERSON RESPONSIBLE FOR FOOTBRIDGE

ADDRESS

TELEPHONE

FAX

EMAIL

IF YOU WISH, YOU MAY ATTACH A LIST OF OTHER KEY FIRMS ASSOCIATED WITH THE PROJECT (eg subconsultants, subcontractors, suppliers etc)

ENTRANT(S) (name of organisation(s) submitting entry)

MAIN CONTACT regarding this entry

NAME

ORGANISATION

ADDRESS

TELEPHONE

FAX

EMAIL

ENTRY FEE

☑ Cheque attached for £

☑ Proof of bank transfer enclosed

I accept the rules of the Bd&e Footbridge 2008 competition as set out in the entry details, and I agree to abide by the final decision of the judging panel. I confirm that all the necessary written consents for this competition entry have been obtained.

Signature