

IALD

MEMBERSHIP CRITERIA AND GUIDELINES

INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF LIGHTING DESIGNERS

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Thank you for your interest in the International Association of Lighting Designers. The IALD was founded in 1969 to provide a worldwide forum for the accomplished lighting designer as well as for those just entering the profession.

The vision of the association is to create a better world through leadership and excellence in lighting design; to cultivate the universal acknowledgment and appreciation of the power of light in human life.

The mission of the association is to serve the IALD worldwide membership by promoting the visible success of members in practicing architectural lighting design.

IALD's ongoing marketing and public relations efforts, its annual International Lighting Design Awards, the development of educational conferences, and the IALD committees that actively deal with issues of lighting quality, energy conservation and business standards all work toward achieving this mission.

A. QUALIFICATIONS FOR MEMBERSHIP

1. Members in all grades shall subscribe to the ideals, goals, Vision Statement and Mission Statement of the Corporation.
2. Voting members shall subscribe to the ideals, goals, Vision Statement, Mission Statement and shall subscribe to the Code of Ethics and Professional Conduct. Voting members, as part of submission for membership and as part of yearly payment of dues for membership, shall be a signatory to a written agreement to abide by the Code of Ethics and Professional Conduct.

B. VOTING MEMBERS

1. Only the following grades of VOTING MEMBERS shall have the exclusive right to vote on all matters pertaining to the affairs of the Corporation.
 - a. Professional
 - b. Fellow
 - c. Associate
 - d. Retired

C. PROFESSIONAL MEMBERS

1. Candidates for Professional membership shall have, at the time his/her application is submitted, at least five (5) years of experience in the field of architecture lighting design at the job of senior designer or above in a consulting practice. The process for application for professional membership is outlined in the Professional Membership Application Procedures included with the Professional membership application.

D. FELLOWS

1. A candidate for Fellow membership shall be a Professional member of the IALD and an outstanding member of the profession. The process is outlined in the Fellows Nominations Process.

E. ASSOCIATE MEMBERSHIP

1. The Membership Committee shall be guided by the following criteria to apply to all Associate members:
 - a. An Associate member shall devote the majority of his/her professional time to the practice of architectural lighting design.
2. Candidates for Associate membership must complete an application and include the following materials. Incomplete applications will not be considered.
 - a. A resume including professional experience/employment history showing minimum of three (3) years of lighting design experience.
 - b. A recent project list of projects on which you served as an active designer.
 - c. A brief profile of your company/employer.
 - d. Two letters of business/work reference from individuals who are familiar with your work, one of which must be external to your current employer. If possible, please include at least one IALD member.

F. RETIRED

1. A Retired member shall be a Voting Fellow, Professional or Associate who is retired from the practice of lighting design.
2. A Retired member shall subscribe to the Vision Statement and Mission Statement of the Corporation.
3. Dues shall be reduced for Retired members and set by the Board of Directors when other dues are established.

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G. NON VOTING MEMBERS

1. The following grades of membership shall be NON- VOTING MEMBERS of the Corporation and shall have no rights to vote on matters pertaining to the affairs of the Corporation.
 - a. Affiliate
 - b. Junior Associate
 - c. Educator
 - d. Student
 - e. Honorary

H. AFFILIATE MEMBERSHIP

1. Affiliate membership shall be open to all individuals with an interest in architectural lighting design and/or the IALD Community.
2. Candidates for Affiliate Membership must complete and sign an application along with a non-refundable application fee and dues as specified on the application. Incomplete applications will not be considered.

I. JUNIOR ASSOCIATE MEMBERSHIP

1. Junior Associate membership shall be open to all lighting designers new to the profession, recent college graduates and those who have less than three years of experience in the industry and must subscribe to the Vision Statement and Mission Statement of the Corporation.
2. Candidates for Junior Associate membership must complete and sign an application and include the following materials. Incomplete applications will not be considered.
 - a. A resume including professional experience/ employment history and educational background.
 - b. A brief profile of your company/employer.
 - c. Two business/work references who are not related to you.
3. Junior Associate membership may be held a maximum of four years.
4. As of 1 January 2020, Junior Associate membership is now available to individuals employed by firms which manufacture, represent, install, and/or distribute lighting or lighting related products.

- a. Junior Associate members who are employed by such firms which manufacture, represent, install, and/or distribute lighting or lighting related products will be ineligible to upgrade their membership to Associate as it is a voting membership.
- b. Junior Associate members employed by such firms that have reached their fourth (4) year of membership will be encouraged to become Affiliate members of the IALD.

J. EDUCATOR MEMBERSHIP

1. Educator membership shall be open to an educator who devotes the majority of his or her professional time to the teaching of lighting and/or related subjects and is in good standing of an accredited institution such as a technical school, design school, college, or university, with studies concentrated in lighting design or related fields.

K. STUDENT MEMBERSHIP

1. Student membership shall be open to a student in good standing of an accredited institution such as a technical school, design school, college, or university, with studies concentrated in lighting design or related fields.
2. Student membership is also open to all interns working in the field of lighting design.
3. Candidates for Student membership must complete and sign an application and include the following materials. Incomplete applications will not be considered.
 - a. Copy of current student identification.
 - b. Signature of professor/ supervisor for verification of student status.

L. HONORARY MEMBERSHIP

1. Honorary membership is open to persons not necessarily in the profession of architectural lighting design, but whose significant contribution to the Corporation or Profession warrants such election. A candidate for Honorary membership shall be nominated by at least three (3) voting members of the Corporation and elected by a majority vote of the Membership Committee.