

Balthasar-Neumann-Prize 2025

Offer of a reward

The Balthasar Neumann Prize is an architecture prize that has been awarded every two years since 1994. It is one of the most important and prestigious architecture prizes in Europe. The prize derives its outstanding status from its objective: it recognizes completed building projects that demonstrate special features of integral planning and exemplary architectural and technical qualities, taking sustainability aspects into account.

The Balthasar Neumann Prize is sponsored by the DBZ Deutsche Bauzeitschrift and the BDB Bund Deutscher Baumeister, Architekten und Ingenieure e. V. The prize is endowed with €10,000.

Balthasar Neumann was one of the most important architects of the 18th century. He created over 100 bridges, sacred and representative buildings as well as residential and commercial buildings. One of his most famous works is the Würzburg Residence. He was an architect, master builder, technician and construction planner.

The building submitted for the award must demonstrate the quality of the realized building design or traffic route construction project achieved through partnership planning in the sense of integrated and integral processes. The prize is awarded for successful collaboration in the fields of architecture, structural engineering, technical building services planning and energy/sustainability concepts. The prize goes to both the planners and the client of the award-winning project.

The competition places a strong focus on the energy and technology concept, as well as on the use of materials in the life cycle.

For reasons of accessibility, the generic masculine is used in the call for entries, the conditions of participation, the information on publication and all other documentation. Female architects and engineers are also expressly invited to submit a jury entry.

Participation

Architectural and engineering firms based in Europe may submit entries on an equal footing, provided that they explicitly name the planning participants with whom the submitted building was created in particularly good cooperation. The client must also be named.

Das eingereichte Bauwerk kann dabei sowohl in einem europäischen wie außereuropäischen Land errichtet worden sein.

The object must not have been completed more than two years ago at the time of the submission deadline.

The building should be represented by the floor plans, sections and photographs required to understand the project and the collaboration (renderings instead of photographs are not permitted). Additional illustrations and graphics for a better and clearer understanding of the design, the supporting structure and the energy/sustainability concept are expressly desired.

Work must be submitted via a project data form exclusively online at www.balthasar-neumann-preis.de The work should be presented on up to four sheets in DIN A3 format (PDF, 300 dpi). These should present the project clearly and in detail in the form of plans, drawings and photos.

In addition, an explanatory report (PDF/doc, max. 600 words, German or English) with the most important information on the topics of architecture, supporting structure, integral planning, energy/sustainability concept must be attached to document the submitted project.

In addition, a completed and signed author's declaration including a declaration of consent from the client and the photographer is required as a pdf upload.

The competition documents, the project data form and the author's declaration are available at: www.balthasar-neumann-preis.de The awarding authority reserves the right to request specific expert opinions or statements as part of a preliminary examination in individual cases to assess the work submitted. Decisions of the jury are final; legal recourse is excluded.

Publication

With their signature, participants in the competition declare that they are the authors of the submitted works and agree that the submitted works may be published in print and digitally as part of the competition documentation without the participants being able to assert any claims for fees or other claims. The right of publication without royalty claims also applies in particular to the photos and drawings submitted. Prizewinners and recipients of recognition declare their willingness to provide the competition organizers with further documents for the documentation and presentation of their work on request. There is no entitlement to publication. The participant retains both the copyright and the right to publication outside the purpose of the competition.

The award ceremony will take place on Wednesday, January 15, 2025 as part of the BAU

Jury Balthasar Neumann Prize 2025

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Call for entries: May 27, 2024
Submission deadline: August 12, 2024
Jury meeting: September 05/06, 2024
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Informations

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