

BESA unveils expanded Industry Awards shortlist

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The <u>Building Engineering Services Association</u> (BESA) has announced the shortlist for its expanded programme of <u>National Awards</u>.

The 2023 Awards are sponsored by <u>Mitsubishi Electric</u> and will be presented on October 12 at a gala dinner in the Novotel London West hotel. The event, which was attended by more than 450 people last year, will be hosted by the comedian Darren Harriott and take place immediately after the Association's <u>Annual Conference</u> which is being held at the same venue.

BESA revamped and expanded its awards scheme this year and introduced a new regional qualifying format for some of the categories. The categories were also reviewed and revised to ensure they rewarded individuals, teams, and companies from each part of the sector's supply chain.

Although some of the awards are exclusively for BESA members, many are now open to the whole industry to ensure the programme reflects the full breadth of building services engineering expertise.

The Association launched several new awards last year including Net Zero and Diversity initiatives and has now expanded even further by adding more technical categories, Small and Big Budget project awards, and a special Building Safety Act category.

Outstanding

There are awards for outstanding projects and firms as well as individuals who have gone above and beyond the call of duty. Categories cover the full supply chain from manufacturers and distributors though contractors, engineers, and clients.



The awards also honour the next generation of engineers through the ever-popular apprentice categories. This year BESA's regions in England and devolved nations held local heats between May and July with each sending forward finalists to the national event.

"Expanding the range of categories and changing the qualifying process has clearly paid off," said BESA technical director Graeme Fox, who chaired the expert judging panel which was drawn from across the industry. "The judges were delighted to see so many talented apprentices and young engineers being put forward, which bodes well for the future.

"However, it was also good to see so many nominations for the Outstanding Service and Specialist Groups awards as this demonstrates that many BESA members are willing to give freely of their time and expertise for the greater good of the industry and its clients."

<u>Click here to view the full shortlist</u> and to find details about booking tickets for both BESA's National Conference and Awards on 12 October.