2019 Product Category Definitions and Requirements
Manufacturer Members

Below are the 2019 CEDIA Awards entry requirements. Use this information to gather the required materials and prepare your entry before submitting. Visit cedia.net/awards to learn how to submit.

Questions? Email awards@cedia.org or call 800.669.5329 or 317.328.4336.

Best New Hardware Product

Definition of Category:
Best New Hardware Products are physical products that serve integrated residential technology design and installation industry. Products should be innovative and bring value to the industry as well as the enhance the homeowner’s lifestyle. The product must have been released and fully shipping between September 30, 2018 and September 30, 2019.

Entry Information:
1. Company Description/Mission
2. Product Name

Essay Questions:
1. Description of Product: What is the intended purpose of this product? How does it work? What makes it unique?
2. Suggested U.S. Retail Price
3. What does this price include?
4. What makes this product valuable to a home technology professional business and/or technician?
5. Is this a new version of an existing product?
   a. What makes it different from the previous model?
6. Abbreviated description of product for promotional use.

File Uploads:
1. Company Logo
2. Photo displaying the front of the product
3. Photo displaying the back of the product
4. Additional Product Photo (Optional)
5. Product Demo Video (Optional)
6. Product Specification Sheet
7. Shipping Verification Form
Best New Software Product

Definition of Category:
Best New Software Products are web-based products that serve the integrated residential technology design and installation industry. Products should be innovative and bring value to the industry as well as enhance the homeowner’s lifestyle. The product must have been released and fully shipping between September 30, 2018 and September 30, 2019.

Entry Information:
1. Company Description/Mission
2. Product Name

Essay Questions:
1. Description of Product: What is the intended purpose of this product? How does it work? What makes it unique?
2. Suggested U.S. Retail Price
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4. What makes this product valuable to a home technology professional business and/or technician?
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Product Hall of Fame

Definition of Category:
The CEDIA Product Hall of Fame honors products that have had a significant positive impact on the integrated residential technology design and installation industry and brought value to CEDIA members. To be considered, products must have entered the market a minimum of 7 years ago. This award may not be given annually.

Entry Information:
1. Company Description/Mission
2. Product Name

Essay Questions:
1. Description of Product: What is the intended purpose of this product? How does it work? What makes it unique?
2. What year was this product introduced to the market? (Products must have entered the market a minimum of 7 years ago)
3. How did this product impact or alter the Integrated Residential Technology Design & Installation Industry?
4. Abbreviated description of product for promotional use.

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