LPI LIGHTNING PROTECTION INSTITUTE

INNOVATIVE DESIGN AWARD 2027

LPI MEMBER SUBMISSION FORM

The purpose of the Innovative Design Awards is to provide recognition to LPI Members and an outside individual or firm for their collaboration on the design and installation of a lightning protection system. Awards are given to a person/firm that demonstrated early coordination with an LPI professional to design an innovative solution to improve the aesthetics of the lightning protection system on a noteworthy structure.

Checklist

- ☐ Completed LPI Member Submission Form before December 18, 2026
- ☐ Signed Nominee Form
- ☐ Technical Drawings
- ☐ 2-3 Photos of Completed Project (more photos may be submitted)

Please Check the Award that best represents your project:

- ○ Innovative Design: **Residential**
- ○ Innovative Design: **Commercial – Existing Building**
- ○ Innovative Design: **Commercial – New Building**

LPI Member _____

LPI Member Company _____

Nominee Name/Individual _____

Nominee Name/Firm _____

Nominee Address _____

Nominee Email _____

Project Name _____

Project Location _____

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Understanding Collaboration and Coordination

Collaboration: Working together to understand a challenge and develop a solution that meets the project's objectives.
Coordination: Aligning responsibilities, schedules, sequencing, access, and project details to implement the solution successfully.
Collaboration and coordination may overlap and occur throughout a project.

Part 1: Project Evaluation

Assessment, Specification and Design

1. When did collaboration to develop the solution first begin?
Check one.

- ○ Specification phase
- ○ Design phase
- ○ Pre-installation planning
- ○ During installation
- ○ After installation—to resolve an issue
- ○ Collaboration did not occur

2. What was the primary focus of the collaboration?
Check one.

- ○ Technical—addressing system design, performance, or integration challenges
- ○ Aesthetic—integrating lightning protection with architectural appearance
- ○ Project coordination/logistics—jointly developing a solution to access, sequencing, or trade-interface challenges

3. Which description best characterizes the project's lightning protection solution?
Check one.

- ○ A highly original solution developed for the project
- ○ An existing approach modified or applied in a new way
- ○ An established approach using standard methods

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Part 1: Project Evaluation (continued)

Installation

4. When did coordination of the lightning protection work with other project parties first begin?

Check one.

- ◯ Specification phase
- ◯ Design phase
- ◯ Pre-installation planning
- ◯ During installation
- ◯ After installation—to resolve an issue
- ◯ Coordination did not occur

Inspection

5. Did the completed lightning protection system receive an independent third-party inspection?

- ◯ Yes
- ◯ No

6. Was the completed lightning protection system inspected through the LPI-IP?

- ◯ Yes
- ◯ No

LPI-IP Inspection Bonus:

Projects inspected through the LPI Inspection Program receive additional points in the award evaluation.

For an LPI-IP-inspected project, select "Yes" for both inspection questions.

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Part 2: Project Description

Here are some ideas, perspectives, and insights we would like to hear about your project. These may also help you identify the key areas that set your project apart from others. Please write your description on the next page.

Assessment, Specification and Design

1. How was the need for lightning protection identified, and what risks, conditions, or requirements influenced the design?

2. What challenge or project objective required collaboration? Who participated, what did each party contribute, and what solution did you develop together?

Identify the outside individual or firm whose contribution was central to the collaboration.

3. What made the lightning protection solution innovative or particularly effective?

Explain what was original, adapted, or distinctive and why it mattered to the project.

Installation and Outcomes

4. How did the parties coordinate responsibilities, schedules, sequencing, and project details to implement the solution?

5. How did collaboration and coordination help achieve the project's objectives?

Describe the completed result, including relevant technical, aesthetic, scheduling, or installation outcomes.

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Project Description

Please write your description in the space below, and feel free to add pages if you need more room. This information will be used to create a detailed review and mini case study that can be used in marketing materials and on the website - bringing you more exposure!

I affirm that all information for this project is accurate and that this project was completed in 2026. I understand that this information may be used for publication or for public relation purposes.

LPI Member Signature _____

Date _____

WE THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT AND DEDICATION.