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# SHH...IT MATTERS

## PUBLIC TOILET DESIGN

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"Each new situation requires a new architecture."

- Jean Nouvel

# Introduction

"Shh.. it Matters" Public Toilet Design Architecture Competition aims to bring together creative minds from around the world to envision innovative and user-friendly designs for public toilets. The goal is to create safe, hygienic, and inclusive facilities that promote sustainability and enhance the user experience. This competition brief outlines the key objectives, requirements, and evaluation criteria for participants.

The "Shh.. it Matters" Public Toilet Design Architecture Competition invites participants to showcase their design skills and creativity in developing innovative public toilet facilities. By emphasizing functionality, accessibility, sustainability, and aesthetics, this competition aims to inspire the creation of modern and user-friendly toilets that meet the diverse needs of communities worldwide. Join us in this important endeavour to make a positive impact on public hygiene and urban environments.

## Objective

The primary objective of this competition is to design a public toilet facility that addresses the following aspects:

1. **Functionality:** The design should provide efficient and functional spaces for users, including separate areas for males, females, and people with disabilities. It should incorporate all necessary amenities, such as toilets, urinals, sinks, and baby-changing facilities, while ensuring easy maintenance and cleanliness.
2. **Accessibility:** The facility should be accessible to all individuals, regardless of age, gender, or physical abilities. Incorporate universal design principles, including barrier-free access, ample space for wheelchair users, and proper signage for navigation.
3. **Safety and Security:** Ensure the safety and security of users by incorporating adequate lighting, clear sightlines, and durable materials. Consider measures to prevent vandalism, theft, and unauthorized access without compromising the aesthetic appeal of the design.
4. **Sustainability:** Integrate sustainable practices and technologies into the design. Consider energy-efficient lighting, water-saving fixtures, use of recycled materials, and proper waste management systems. The design should minimize the environmental impact and promote a greener future.

## Requirements

1. **Site Selection:** Participants are free to select any suitable location for their design. It could be a public park, urban area, transportation hub, tourist attraction, or any other context where public toilets are needed.
2. **Design Concept:** Develop a unique design concept that reflects creativity, functionality, and aesthetics. The design should blend harmoniously with its surroundings and enhance the overall user experience.
3. **Floor Plan / Sections / Elevations:** Provide detailed floor plans for each section of the facility, including separate areas for males, females, and people with disabilities. Clearly indicate the placement of fixtures, equipment, and circulation paths. Ensure compliance with relevant building codes and regulations.
4. **3D Renderings:** Create high-quality 3D renderings or visualizations that depict the exterior and interior of the facility. This will help showcase the design intent, spatial arrangements, and material choices.
5. **Material and Technology:** Specify the materials, finishes, and construction techniques to be used in the design. Additionally, consider incorporating innovative technologies that improve the user experience, such as touchless fixtures, automated cleaning systems, or smart monitoring devices.

# Evaluation criteria

The submitted designs will be evaluated based on the following criteria:

1. **Design Innovation:** The creativity, originality, and uniqueness of the design concept.
2. **Functionality and Accessibility:** How well the design caters to the functional requirements of a public toilet and provides inclusive access for all users.
3. **Aesthetics and Integration:** The visual appeal, harmony with the surroundings, and integration of the design within the chosen site.
4. **Sustainability:** The extent to which the design incorporates sustainable practices, energy efficiency, and environmentally friendly features.
5. **Feasibility and Practicality:** The practicality of the design in terms of construction, maintenance, and adherence to relevant regulations.

# Guidelines

Participants must adhere to the following guidelines for their submissions:

1. **Format:** Prepare a digital submission in JPG/JPEG format, including all relevant drawings, renderings, and descriptions. The file size should not exceed 20MB.
2. **Written Description:** Provide a written description (maximum 500 words) explaining the design concept, key features, and how it meets the competition objectives.
3. **Team Information:** Include the names and contact information of all team members. Indicate if the submission is from an individual or a team.
4. **Language:** All submissions must be in English.

# Participation:

- This competition is open to all.
- You can participate individually or as a team (Maximum 4 members in a team)

# Submission Requirements:

- Design sheets (2 -5) – jpeg. / jpg. format. (45X45cm – individual sheet)
- Design description with a title / Name your restaurant (Min. 300 words) – docx. / docs. Format

# Submission Guidelines

Email your submission to the details mentioned below:

- Email address: [submit@archiol.com](mailto:submit@archiol.com)
- Email Subject: Shhmat2023\_your code

\*Do not ask any queries on [submit@archiol.com](mailto:submit@archiol.com), email all your queries to [contact@archiol.org](mailto:contact@archiol.org)

## Timeline:

Registration deadline: **10<sup>th</sup> January 2024**

### ADVANCED REGISTRATIONS

- AR01: October 1<sup>st</sup> – October 8<sup>th</sup>
- AR02: October 9<sup>th</sup> – October 19<sup>th</sup>
- AR03: October 20<sup>th</sup> – November 2<sup>nd</sup>

### STANDARD REGISTRATIONS

- SR01: November 3<sup>rd</sup> – November 18<sup>th</sup>
- SR02: November 19<sup>th</sup> – December 2<sup>nd</sup>
- SR03: December 3<sup>rd</sup> – December 18<sup>th</sup>

### LATE REGISTRATIONS

- December 19<sup>th</sup> 2023 – January 10<sup>th</sup> 2024

Submission Starts: **18<sup>th</sup> December 2023**

Submission Ends: **15<sup>th</sup> January 2024**

Result Announcement: **25<sup>th</sup> April 2024**

## Fees

REGISTRATION	TIMELINE	INTERNATIONAL FEES	INDIAN FEES
		(USD)	(INR)
ADVANCED REG 01	Oct 1 <sup>st</sup> – Oct 8 <sup>th</sup>	25	500
<b>AR 02</b>	Oct 9 <sup>th</sup> – Oct 19 <sup>th</sup>	27	800
<b>AR 03</b>	Oct 20 <sup>th</sup> – Nov 2 <sup>nd</sup>	32	900
STANDARD REG 01	Nov 3 <sup>rd</sup> – Nov 18 <sup>th</sup>	37	1000
<b>SR 02</b>	Nov 19 <sup>th</sup> – Dec 2 <sup>nd</sup>	39	1500
<b>SR 03</b>	Dec 3 <sup>rd</sup> – Dec 18 <sup>th</sup>	42	2000
LATE REG 01	Dec 19 <sup>th</sup> 2023 – Jan 10 <sup>th</sup> 2024	57	2600

## Prizes:

**Winners (X3):** Certificate of achievement + Publication + Interview

**Honourable mentions (X3):** Certificates + Publication

Shortlisted entries (X10): Certificates

*\*All the certificates will be attested and e-format.*

## Registration:

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Competition: <https://www.archiol.org/competitions/shh-it-matters-2023>

## Organisers:

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## Contact:

Doubts /Queries related to the competition: [contact@archiol.org](mailto:contact@archiol.org)

Request online chat support for queries: DM (Instagram) @archi\_ol (Team will redirect you to the chat support)



## FAQ's:s

### Do the presentation boards have to contain our participation code for identification?

A: No, only the files need to be named with the participation code.

### How to submit the competition entry?

A: Follow the submission guidelines mentioned in the brief, which are as follows:

Email address: [submit@archiol.com](mailto:submit@archiol.com)

Email Subject: As mentioned in the guidelines

### I forgot my participation code, where can I find my participation code?

A: Email your query to [contact@archiol.org](mailto:contact@archiol.org) in the format mentioned below:

- Email Subject: Participation Code Query – Competition Name
- Email Body:
- Competition Name:
- First name followed by last name:
- Email id:
- Country:
- Phone number:
- Date of registration:

### Submission format

All submissions should be digital:

- Text submissions and illustration notes, must be submitted digitally in .doc format.
- Image must be submitted in .jpeg format

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