

2018 Vision Awards™
Annual Report
Competition

Entry Deadline:
17 May 2019

With Extension Fee: 14 June 2019

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Sprint (67) · Allstate (68)
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Nothing distinguishes your work and brings recognition to you and your team more than honors from the 2018 Vision Awards, the most popular competition for annual reports, sustainability reports, CSRs, online reports and related media.

From **Abbott** to **Zurich Financial**, companies large and small **compete against peers of similar size and means** to earn esteem for their achievements. In fact, entries from upwards of two dozen countries competed in the Vision Awards last year alone.

Here's your chance to earn recognition for your hard work in communications.

The 2018 Vision Awards provides a platform for communications professionals to demonstrate the value they're delivering to their organizations and clients.

So whether you support a **corporation, non-profit, educational institution, or governmental entity**, LACP's 2018 Vision Awards Competition is a chance to have the high quality of your work validated in one of the most respected competition forums in the world.

The **Call for Entries ends 17 May 2019**. (14 June 2019 with extension fee.)

So don't delay; be sure to submit your entry today!

Best of luck,

Christine Kennedy
LACP Competition Director



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QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

Do I Have to be Based in the United States in Order to Enter? Organizations based outside of the U.S. are welcome to apply. We regularly receive entries from **Australia, Austria, the Benelux, Bermuda, Canada, China, Czech Republic, Germany, Hong Kong, India, Indonesia, Israel, Japan, Korea, Mexico, New Zealand, Norway, Saudi Arabia, South Africa, Sri Lanka, Switzerland, Turkey, and the U.K.**

When Must I Have Created My Report?
It must be for the most recent fiscal year.

How Should I Submit My Entry? Entries can be submitted in both hard- and soft-copy formats. The preferred soft-copy format is PDF. Contact us if you need to use another entry medium. Cover letters are welcome but not required. [Only one annual report needs to be provided for judging.](#)

Can I Upload My Entire Entry? Yes! We can allot up to 2 gigabytes of online storage for receiving your reports, cover letters & other materials. Just send in your entry form, and we'll e-mail you a link. Or tell us via online chat at www.lacp.com/support

How Does Judging Occur? Award results are based on the judging of submissions within peer-level competition classes. They are determined according to company size, annual revenue, and other pertinent factors. Scoring is derived according to LACP's proprietary judging system, which grades various criteria of an entry. A composite score is then determined. Your Results Kit will provide full details on the judging methodology as well as feedback on your report.

Should I Include a Cover Letter? While not mandatory, it does help judges better understand an entry's goals, target audience, messaging, development, and success metrics.

How Do Competition Classes Work? All entrants are required to enter the General Competition—this is where the heart of judging takes place, primarily among organizations of similar size and means. If you believe your entry stands out in any of the other achievement categories (e.g. Most Creative, Most Improved), you can enter those separate competitions and contend against all other entrants solely on that category's single criterion. "Special Achievement" categories include regional awards, as well.

Are Late Entries Accepted? Yes, through 14 June 2019. We may be able to make special arrangements for exceptional circumstances—contact us at www.lacp.com/contactus

Do I Have to be an LACP Member to Enter? No.

How to Enter in Three Easy Steps

- 1) Package Your Annual Report.** Carefully package one (1) copy of the latest annual report for your company or client. Please avoid stapling or paper-clipping any material to the front cover of your publication since all entries will be scanned. Completed annual reports awaiting printing can be submitted on a CD in PDF format.
- 2) Complete the Entry Form.** Complete all fields for you and/or your client as accurately as possible. A one- to two-page cover letter is optional.
- 3) Mail Your Entry.** You're done! Entries must be shipped by deadline.

Important Dates

- 17 May 2019: Deadline to mail entries.
- 14 June 2019: Deadline for entries with late fee.
- 15 July 2019: Winners announced; kits shipped.

LEGAL INFORMATION: Fortune 500 is a registered trademark of Fortune Magazine. All entries become property of LACP LLC unless otherwise arranged. All entrants agree to waive LACP LLC of all liability pertaining to the conduction of its competitions and related programs. International entrants are responsible for all customs duties and taxes.

INDUSTRY KEY—USE WHEN COMPLETING ENTRY FORM

Code	Industry Name	Sample Organizations — Previous Winners	Code	Industry Name	Sample Organizations — Previous Winners
01000	Aerospace & Defense	Boeing, Lockheed Martin, Raytheon	23000	Health Care — Equipment & Supplies	Baxter Int'l, Dade Behring
02000	Agribusiness	Bayer CropScience, Bunge, Agrium	24000	Health Care — Providers & Services	WellPoint, Vanderbilt Univ.
03000	Automobiles & Components	Fleetwood Enterprises, Volvo, Michelin	25000	Insurance	MetLife, RGA, Selective, Allstate, Mutual of Omaha
04000	Banks — Commercial	Bank of America, Wells Fargo, SunTrust	26000	Materials	Georgia-Pacific, Rock-Tenn, Vulcan, Gibraltar Steel
05000	Banks — Thrifts & Mortgage Fin.	Countrywide, Washington Mutual	27000	Media	Cox, E.W. Scripps, Scholastic, ESPN
06000	Biotechnology	Biogen Idec, Myogen	28000	Non-Profits	RAND, Nemours, Goodwill, KPMG Foundation
07000	Business/Construction/Engineering Services	Monster, Pitney Bowes, Accenture	29000	Pharmaceuticals	Johnson & Johnson, Merck, Pfizer, Abbott
08000	Chemicals	BASF, DuPont, Eastman Chemical	30000	Real Estate/REIT	BRE, Regency Centers, Gables, Home Prop.
09000	Conglomerates, Holding Co., Div. Invest.	GE, Textron, Walter Ind.	31000	Retailing — Food & Specialty	Dell, H-P, IBM, Maxtor
10000	Consumer Consum. — Food/Bever./Tobacco	Hormel, Coca-Cola, Altria	32000	Retailing — Internet/Catalog	Office Depot, Lowe's, Tiffany, Publix
11000	Consumer Consum. — Household/Personal	Mattel, Colgate-Palm., P&G	33000	Retailing — Multi-line Retail	800-FLOWERS, Sharper Image
12000	Consumer Durables — Household	Maytag, Stanley Works	34000	Technology — Computers & Peripherals	Big Lots!, Federated Dept. Stores
13000	Consumer Durables — Textile/Apparel/Luxury	Steve Madden	35000	Technology — Electronic Equip. & Instruments	Dell, H-P, IBM, Maxtor
14000	Consumer Services — Hotels/Restaurants/Leisure	Hilton Hotels	36000	Technology — Hardware & Equip.	XEROX, CDW, Agilent
15000	Consumer Services — Other	H&R Block, Mighty Ducks (NHL)	37000	Technology — I.T. Services	Cisco, Motorola, QUALCOMM
16000	Educational	Kent State, National University, WestEd	38000	Technology — Semiconductors & Equipment	EDS, Iron Mountain, Perot Systems, Fiserv
17000	Energy — Equipment & Services	FMC, Halliburton, Schlumberger	39000	Technology — Software	Intel, AMD, Broadcom
18000	Energy — Oil, Gas & Consumable Fuels	BP, Anadarko, Peabody	40000	Telecommunications	EarthLink, Yahoo!, Adobe, Symantec
19000	Equipment, Machinery & Instruments	Caterpillar, Fluor, Hyundai H.I.	41000	Transportation & Logistics	Sprint Nextel, Verizon, U.S. Cellular
20000	Financials — Capital Markets	Bear Stearns, Charles Schwab	42000	Utilities — Electric	American Airlines, Ryder, Yellow
21000	Financials — Diversified Services	Citigroup, Principal Financial	43000	Utilities — Gas	Progress Energy, Exelon, Entergy
22000	Government — City/State/Nat'l	U.S. State Dept., FAA, U.S. Army	44000	Utilities — Multi/Water/Traders	AGL Resources, Peoples Energy
					Ameren, TXU, Constellation

2018 Vision Awards Annual Report Competition Entry Form

INSTRUCTIONS: Simply complete this entry form and submit it along with one annual report to be judged and, optionally, a one- or two-page cover letter summary. Materials should be sent to LACP at the above address by 17 May 2019 or uploaded at <http://www.lacp.com/upload>. Agencies are welcome to submit entries on their clients' behalf. Winners will be announced 15 July 2019 at www.lacp.com and via courier.

ENTRY FORM

1 Company Size (AGENCIES: SIZE OF CLIENT ORGANIZATION)

- Up to 100 employees 100 - 1,000 employees 1,000 - 10,000 employees 10,000+ employees

2 Gross Revenue (AGENCIES: REVENUE OF CLIENT ORGANIZATION)

- Up to \$10 million \$10 - \$100 million \$100 million - \$1 billion \$1 - \$10 billion \$10+ billion

3 Major Industry/Industries (SEE INDUSTRY KEY ON BOTTOM OF PAGE 2)

PRIMARY CODE: _____	ADDITIONAL CODE: _____	ADDITIONAL CODE: _____	ADDITIONAL CODE: _____	ADDITIONAL CODE: _____
<small>(Free; included with all participation levels)</small>	<small>(Free for Premium, \$/€ 295 for all others)</small>	<small>(Optional, 295 extra)</small>	<small>(Optional, 295 extra)</small>	<small>(Optional, 295 extra)</small>

4 Report Type† Annual Report Online/Digital Report ESG Report Integrated Report Sustainability Report CSR Report Summary Report

"Premium" & "Complete" Participants: Premium/Premium Pro: Pick a second industry & report type. Complete: Pick a second report type.

5 Optional: Report Theme/Title/Tagline/Name: _____

6 Participation Level — Choose One Priced in \$/€

- PREMIUM PRO: SPECIAL ACHIEVE. + TOP 100/50 + GENERAL + SHIPPED KIT + "COMPLETE" BENEFITS + "PREMIUM PRO" BENEFITS** . . . 2,025
- PREMIUM: SPECIAL ACHIEVE. + TOP 100/50 + GENERAL + SHIPPED RESULTS KIT + "COMPLETE" BENEFITS + "PREMIUM" BENEFITS** . . . 1,125
- COMPLETE PLUS: SPECIAL ACHIEVE. + TOP 100/50 + GENERAL + SHIPPED RESULTS KIT + "COMPLETE" BENEFITS + SPOTLIGHT ENTRY** 875
- COMPLETE*: SPECIAL ACHIEVEMENT + TOP 100/50 + GENERAL + SHIPPED RESULTS KIT + "COMPLETE" BENEFITS** 625
- ECONOMY: GENERAL** 400

The above Participation Level pricing reflects registration through our online entry system. If using a manual form such as this, add \$25.

SPECIAL ACHIEVEMENT AWARD CATEGORIES

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| • Best Report Cover | • Best Report Financials | • Most Engaging Report |
| • Best Letter to Shareholders | • Most Improved Report | • Best In-House Report |
| • Best Report Narrative | • Most Creative Report | • Best Agency Report |

TOP 100/50 AWARD CATEGORY

- Individual Ranking of Competition Entry
- Includes Top 100 WW & Top 50 Regionals

GENERAL AWARD CATEGORY

- Participation of Entry in Competition Class
- Inclusion in Online Results (if applicable)

SHIPPED RESULTS KIT

- 28-Page Results Guide
- Certificates for All Awards Won (if applicable)

"COMPLETE" PARTICIPATION LEVEL BENEFITS

- LACP Membership
- Access to Latest Edition of PR Tools
- Complimentary Additional Selection in **4**

"PREMIUM" AND "PREMIUM PRO" PARTICIPATION LEVEL BENEFITS

- Pro: Presented in Anodized Aluminum Case
- Crystal Statuette Redemption Certificate
- Complimentary PDF Edition of Results Guide
- Pro: Free Online Organizational Profile
- Complimentary Additional Selection in **5**
- 100 Custom, Full-Color Reprints (Pro: 300)

7 Annual Report Certification & Narrative Evaluation Services

- Yes, please certify my annual report. Provide me with my grade assignment, score sheet, label roll & camera-ready artwork. 1,095
- Yes, please evaluate my annual report. We'll return your materials marked up with approx. 800 words of commentary plus summary. 1,095

8 Organization & Agency Information

Company: _____ Company Twitter Hashtag: _____ Company URL: <http://> _____

Agency: _____ Agency URL: <http://> _____

Contact Person: _____ Contact is with: Company Agency

Contact Address: _____ City, State, ZIP: _____

Phone: _____ FAX: _____ E-Mail: _____

9 Method of Payment (Visa/MasterCard/American Express/Discover Accepted. Invoice Terms: Net 15)

Credit Card: Exp: Security Code: _____ Signature: _____

Check (enclosed, payable to LACP) Bill me (Payment must be received prior to shipping of results. P.O., if necessary: _____)

10 Important Information

All entry fees are non-refundable. By submitting an entry, companies with a standing past due balance with LACP agree to have that balance cleared by either 1) charging the credit card number listed on the either a current or previous entry/order form or 2) having the charges added to the current invoice. LACP reserves the right to refuse Net 15 payment terms. All prices listed in \$/€. Wire transfer payments subject to a \$/€ 25 fee to cover bank charges. Entry benefits subject to change contingent on number of submissions received. * Default if no other selection is made. † One selection is included, a second is free for Complete, Premium & Premium Pro entries. Additional selections are \$/€ 295 each. Individuals outside of the United States who submit a solitary entry for this competition may be charged in Euros (ca. €1=US\$1.10) to help offset high int'l shipping costs.

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Why this Vision Awards is the Best Yet.

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