

# The Best Photographs of World Architecture

The Architectural Photography Awards 2022 (APA) is now in its tenth year. APA closed seeing a 49% increase in photographer entries . We are reaching new territories. Entries came from 64 different countries – up from 42 different countries in 2021.

Paul Finch, programme director of the World Architecture Festival (WAF), says

*'Now that 'everyone's a photographer', the importance of good architectural photography has increased because of the myriad images that potential clients (and award judges!) encounter every day. The APA programme is an annual reminder of how architectural photography can enhance our understanding of design, rather than merely recording what is there. Long may it continue"*

The shortlist consists of four entries from [6 categories](#): Exterior, Interior, Sense of Place, Buildings in Use, Mobile, which this year's theme is Bridges and Portfolio with the theme of Transport Hubs. The photographs will be displayed at The World Architecture Festival (WAF) Lisbon in Portugal from 30th November – 2nd December. All winners will be announced at the end of WAF on Friday 2nd December. There will be two winners per category – the WAF delegates winners and the panel jury winners.

We hope you will have the opportunity to look at these images beyond the small screen of a mobile phone. There is detail and subtlety that needs to be appreciated.

The panel judges were asked to look beyond the architecture, consider the composition, use of scale and the photographers' sensitivity to atmosphere, our leading architecture and photography professionals:

- Richard Bryant, Hon. FRIBA, Hon. Doc Design Kingston University, architectural photographer
- Katy Harris, Partner & Head of Communications, Foster + Partners
- Kunle Barker – Property Expert, Writer and Broadcaster
- Vicky Richardson – Head of Architecture and Heinz Curator, Royal Academy of Arts London UK
- John Rushworth – Designer and Brand Strategist, Partner at Pentagram
- Konrad Buhagiar – Architect at AP Valletta, Malta
- Stewart Hicks – Associate Professor of Architecture, University of Illinois, Chicago, USA and Co-Founder of Design With Company
- Farshid Moussavi  
OBR RA – Architect, Founder of Farshid Moussavi Architecture, Previously  
Co-Founder of Foreign Office Architects
- Patrik Schumacher – Architect, Principal of Zaha Hadid Architects
- Liu Xinghao – Overall Winner of The Architectural Photography Awards 2021

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Thanks to [xSpaces.io](https://xspaces.io) – the APA 2022 exhibition will be available as a virtual gallery from 31st November.