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**The Industry's Original Design Awards Programs Open for Entries**

*Shop! Association accepting submissions for OMA Awards, Design Awards and Global Awards*

**Hollywood, Fla. (Dec. 3, 2018)** – Shop! Environments Association's three industry awards programs – Shop! Design Awards, Shop! OMA Awards and Shop! Global Awards – are now accepting entries. The Shop! Awards include two of the industry's longest-running industry awards programs: the 60-year-old OMA Awards and the Design Awards, which is in its 47th year. Winners will be recognized during a gala celebration at GlobalShop 2019, which will be held in June next year.

"Winning a Design Award, OMA Award or Global Award is a great way for retailers, brands, designers, and suppliers to enjoy industry recognition among their peers and bring added prestige to the outstanding work they do," said Todd Dittman, Shop! Executive Director. "With so many opportunities to win -- from small counter displays through 25,000+ sq. ft. store designs -- we encourage anyone with a product display or store design to take advantage of this opportunity to showcase their work to the industry."

The Shop! Awards encompass three premier awards competitions celebrating the best concepts and designs among retail and restaurant environments as well as the most innovative and effective in-store and point-of-purchase displays from around the world. Brands, designers, retailers, creative agencies and suppliers are invited to submit their most creative work that embodies this year's theme, "Believe: It could happen to you."

**Shop! OMA Awards** includes the coveted Display of the Year along with Budget and Creative awards. Winning displays will be recognized with Gold, Silver or Bronze awards. The OMA Contest is open to all producers, suppliers and producers of point-of-purchase materials, consumer products and services companies and retailers. Enter at: [www.shopawards.org](http://www.shopawards.org)

**Shop! Design Awards** recognize excellence in retail design. Entries are judged on design, originality in the use of space and materials, and quality of concept execution. Retailers, design firms, architects, manufacturers, and suppliers can enter at: [www.shopawards.org](http://www.shopawards.org).

**Shop! Global Awards** celebrate the "best of the best" in both store design and point-of-purchase. Global Award winners are selected from previous Gold winners in all categories from around the world, crowning them best in international class. Any 2018 Gold winner can enter at [www.shopawards.org](http://www.shopawards.org).

Due to the change in timing for GlobalShop, the 2019 awards entries deadline has been moved to Feb. 15 for the early bird discount and March 15 as final day to enter. Winners for all awards programs will be announced at GlobalShop on June 26, 2019, in Chicago.

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**Shop! Environments Association** ([shopassociation.org](http://shopassociation.org)) is the global trade association dedicated to enhancing retail environments and experiences. Shop! represents more than 1,400 member companies and affiliates worldwide from 23 countries. The association brings value to the global retail marketplace through our industry leadership, research programs, industry certification, education and networking events. Shop! produces the award-winning magazine, *Retail Environments*, offering business-focused content to retailers, brands, designers and suppliers throughout the industry.