D&AD Awards 2017

What's changed?



Key dates

2016

14 December

10% Discount Deadline

2017

15 February

Entry Deadline

25–27 April

D&AD Festival

27 April

Awards Ceremony

D&AD Awards

Ceremony

In previous years our infamous D&AD ceremony has taken place a few weeks after Judging week however this year we will be incorporating all of our events into a one week. Our Festival & Judging week brought such an international and diverse audience that we want to end it all with our Awards Ceremony as the finale of the week. Our ceremony will take place on Thursday 27th April 2017 and further information will be available nearer the time so make sure to book a ticket!

Changes to entries

Credits and images

In previous years we have collected the credits and images of the winning work for our annual/website once they have been announced, however this year we will do this at the beginning of the entrant process. Once you've completed your entry to the awards we will notify you to a specific date that your entries should have the credits and image uploads completed. Our reason for adding in this additional task will be to make sure our Pencil Winners receive the maximum exposure and acknowledgement they deserve during D&AD judging week, the festival and the ceremony.

Beta and prototypes

This year we've added in some new sub-categories including the addition of Beta and Prototypes to acknowledge the great creative work that is currently being developed (see below for new sub-categories). These new categories that involve Beta or Prototypes will only be eligible for the Wood Pencil award level.

Category changes

New sub-categories

Branded Content & Entertainment

Audio Immersive Live Broadcast User Generated

Branding

Campaign Branding & Identity

Creativity for Good

Product Design Service Design

Digital Design

Beta Platforms
Beta Tech Innovation
Established Platforms
Existing Platform - New Iteration
Platforms
Service Design

Digital Marketing

Innovative Use of Beta Technology

Integrated & Collaborative

Collaboration Integrated - Established Campaigns

Media

Use of Collaboration Use of Talent

Product Design

Prototypes

Additional information on categories

The Mobile Marketing Jury has been removed however mobile work can be entered in the Digital Design and Digital Marketing categories

Radio Advertising has been updated to Radio & Audio

Sub-Category Logos (previously in Graphic Design) has been moved to Branding

Sound Design & Use of Music for Radio Advertising has been moved from Radio & Audio to Crafts for Advertising

Digital Design - Apps has been renamed to Platforms