

AHEAD

AWARDS FOR HOSPITALITY
EXPERIENCE AND DESIGN

SHORTLISTS ANNOUNCED

As the hospitality industry continues to evolve – taking in sustainability, storytelling, personalisation and emotional connection – AHEAD has announced its first shortlists of the 2025 season.

Ranging from towering skyscrapers to tented camps, buzzy bars to serene spas, the finalists showcase excellence in hospitality experience and design. In total, there were over 350 submissions from across the Americas and Asia, entered into categories including Newbuild, Conversion, Guestrooms and Restaurant. And this year, the Americas has attracted entries from Mexico, Dominican Republic and Costa Rica, while Asia is notable for strong representations from China and Japan.

After reviewing entries online, the esteemed judging panels – comprising owners, operators, developers, architects, interior designers and

industry commentators – cast their votes to determine the finalists. The panel will now meet face-to-face for a full day of debate, deliberation and critical assessment of every shortlisted project. In the Americas, Brad Wilson, CEO and Co-Partner at Ace Hotel Group will lead proceedings, while the Asia panel is chaired by Chris Godfrey, CEO of HBA. Throughout the process, judges are looking for projects that fuse creative excellence with commercial viability and, perhaps most importantly, outstanding guest experience.

When votes are cast and counted, the sector will meet at Weylin in Brooklyn and Pan Pacific Orchard in Singapore for the awards ceremonies, during which the winners will be announced. Each will be presented with a Lasvit-designed trophy as an enduring reminder of their success.

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**Ta'akatana, a Luxury Collection Resort & Spa -
Labuan Bajo, Indonesia**

PT Fortuna Paradiso Optima / PDW Indonesia / Marriott International
/ Studio Nimmersatt / Ernesto Bedmar / ANP Interior Architecture /
Studio Akar

LOBBY

Aman Nai Lert - Bangkok, Thailand

Nai Lert Park Development / Aman Group / Denniston / Open Box

Dusit Thani - Bangkok, Thailand

Dusit Thani Public Company / André Fu Studio

Hilton Kyoto - Japan

Tokyo Tatemono Co / Hilton Worldwide / Takenaka Corporation /
Hashimoto Yukio Design Studio

Paralogue Dayan Forest Hotel - Lijiang, China

Lijiang Bailelang Hotel Management Co /
Guangzhou Uniarch Decoration Design Co

LODGES, CABINS & TENTED CAMPS

Into the Woods - Lazarus Island, Singapore

Into the Woods Life

Mekong Explorer Tent at Anantara Golden Triangle

Elephant Camp & Resort - Chiang Rai, Thailand

Minor International / Underwood Art Factory

**Treehouses at Mandal Rainforest Resort by Banyan Tree -
Singapore**

Mandal Parks Development / Banyan Group /
WOW Architects / Warner Wong Design

RESORT

The Hanok Heritage House - Yeongwol, South Korea

The Hanok Heritage Company Co / Listen Communication

Innit - Lombok, Indonesia

PT Euro Building Bali / Andra Matin /
Gregorius Yolodi / Maria Rosantina

Mandal Rainforest Resort by Banyan Tree - Singapore

Mandal Parks Development / Banyan Group /
WOW Architects / Warner Wong Design

Rosewood Resort Miyakojima - Okinawa Islands, Japan

Mitsubishi Estate Co. / Rosewood Hotel Group / Studio Piet Boon /
Mitsubishi Jisho Sekkei / Landscape Design

RESTAURANT

Arva at Aman Nai Lert - Bangkok, Thailand

Nai Lert Park Development / Aman Group / Denniston / Open Box

Iñaki at Patina - Osaka, Japan

NTT Urban Development Corporation / Capella Hotel Group /
Takenaka Corporation / NTT Facilities /
Jun Mitsui & Associates Architects / Strickland

Kaya at The Standard - Singapore

Invictus Developments / Hyatt Hotels Corporation /
Standard International / DP Architects / Ministry of Design

Song at Four Seasons Hangzhou Centre - China

Greentown China Holdings / Four Seasons Hotels & Resorts /
China Resources Land / Hangzhou Metro Development Company /
Goettsch Partners / GAD / AB Concept

SPA & WELLNESS

Allia Shanghai - China

Shanghai Silc South Pacific Hotel Co / Hyatt Hotels Corporation /
Horizontal Design

Anantara Layan Phuket Resort - Phuket, Thailand

Minor International / Martin Palleros / P49 Deesign

Park Hyatt Changsha - Hunan Province, China

Wharf Holdings / Hyatt Hotels Corporation / Conran & Partners

Patina - Osaka, Japan

NTT Urban Development Corporation / Capella Hotel Group /
Takenaka Corporation / NTT Facilities /
Jun Mitsui & Associates Architects / Strickland

SUITE

Aman Nai Lert - Bangkok, Thailand

Nai Lert Park Development / Aman Group / Denniston / Open Box

Dangkou Ancient Town Hotel Wuxi

at MGallery Collection - Wuxi, China

Wuxi Architectural Design and Research Institute Co / Accor /
WATG / Wimberly Interiors

Four Seasons Hotel Dalian - China

China Green Development Investment Group Co /
Four Seasons Hotels & Resorts / NBBJ / HBA

Patina - Osaka, Japan

NTT Urban Development Corporation / Capella Hotel Group /
Takenaka Corporation / NTT Facilities /
Jun Mitsui & Associates Architects / Strickland

SUSTAINABILITY

Allia Shanghai - China

Shanghai Silc South Pacific Hotel Co / Hyatt Hotels Corporation /
Horizontal Design

Lanyond Alpine Lake - Yunnan, China

China Tourism Group / Signyan Design / Z'scape

Mandal Rainforest Resort by Banyan Tree - Singapore

Mandal Parks Development / Banyan Group / WOW Architects /
Warner Wong Design

Novotel Goa Panjim - India

Sierra Gold Heights / Accor / DPA Consultants /
Studio HBA / Oracles