

## **Call for Entry**

### **SIGNS, SYSTEMS, AND LETTERFORM MARKS (SSL)**

#### **UDA Annual International Design Competition**



**Submit before 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday, March**

**Award Announcement on Last Monday, April**

## **Signs, Systems, and Letterform Marks (SSL)**

Signs, systems, and letterform marks visually express our behaviors, beliefs, and institutions. They alert us to potential hazards, lead us through physical environments, provide us with options, and represent the characteristics of organizations. Despite our diverse religious, political, social, and cultural backgrounds, universal signs, systems, and letterform marks have the potential to unite humanity through communication. Design students and professionals consistently update existing and develop fresh ones, establishing a common language accessible to all.

## HONORARY JURORS

UDA invited internationally distinguished designers to be the jurors of UDA Annual International Design Competitions. Visit [uniteddesigns.org](http://uniteddesigns.org) to see our list of jurors.

## DESIGN CATEGORIES

Please determine which category is most appropriate for your entry/entries:

1. Signs: visual representation through a pictorial, symbolic, or geometric form
2. Systems: visual representation through 2 or more related elements, i.e., icon system
3. Letterform Marks: visual representation which incorporates individual letterforms or words, i.e., logotypes, wordmarks, signature marks

## DESIGN & SUBMISSION SPECIFICATION

Please follow this design specification. If you do not follow it, we cannot guarantee your submission.

You may only submit a vector image using the attached Adobe Illustrator template file 'Design Category\_First Name Last Name\_Title.'

**Step 1.** Place a color vector image in the center of the provided AI template. The sample is the approximate size.

**Step 2.** Fill out the description line at the bottom of the page: your file name, a short design description, and choose your status as a designer or a student.

**Step 3.** Use the following method for naming your file:

**Filename: Design Category\_First Name Last Name\_Title**

**Examples: Sign\_John Doe\_Love, System\_John Doe\_Love, Letter\_John Doe\_Love**

**Step 4.** Save your file as a PDF file (Acrobat 6 capability) with the 'Preserve Illustrator Editing Capabilities' and 'Embed Page Thumbnails' options checked.

**Step 5.** Submit your design (PDF file) and Entry Form (MS Excel file) via email to [applyuda@gmail.com](mailto:applyuda@gmail.com).

**Step 6.** Send your submission fee via PayPal: <https://www.paypal.com/paypalme/udalliance>. Please make sure you have the correct name and address.

## SUBMISSION FEE

### **Professional Designers**

- Single Entry: us\$20
- Multiple Entries (Max 5) from one designer: us\$60

### **Design Students**

- Single Entry: us\$10
- Multiple Entries (Max 5) from one student: us\$30
- **If a student's instructor is a UDA member, a student can submit up to three entries for free.**

## DEADLINES

Submission Deadline: 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday, March

Award Announcement: Last Monday, April

**UDA will announce all awarded designs at [www.uniteddesigns.org](http://www.uniteddesigns.org).**

## AWARD CERTIFICATE & PUBLICATION

All winners receive an Award Certificate via email.

All winners are permanent collections of the UDA archive.

*Copyright: The entrant will be responsible for all the entry's copyright matters. All designs will become the Collection of United Designs Alliance. The United Designs Alliance reserves the right to use all entrants' information and the right to publish, exhibit, or reproduce all designs entered for the competition.*