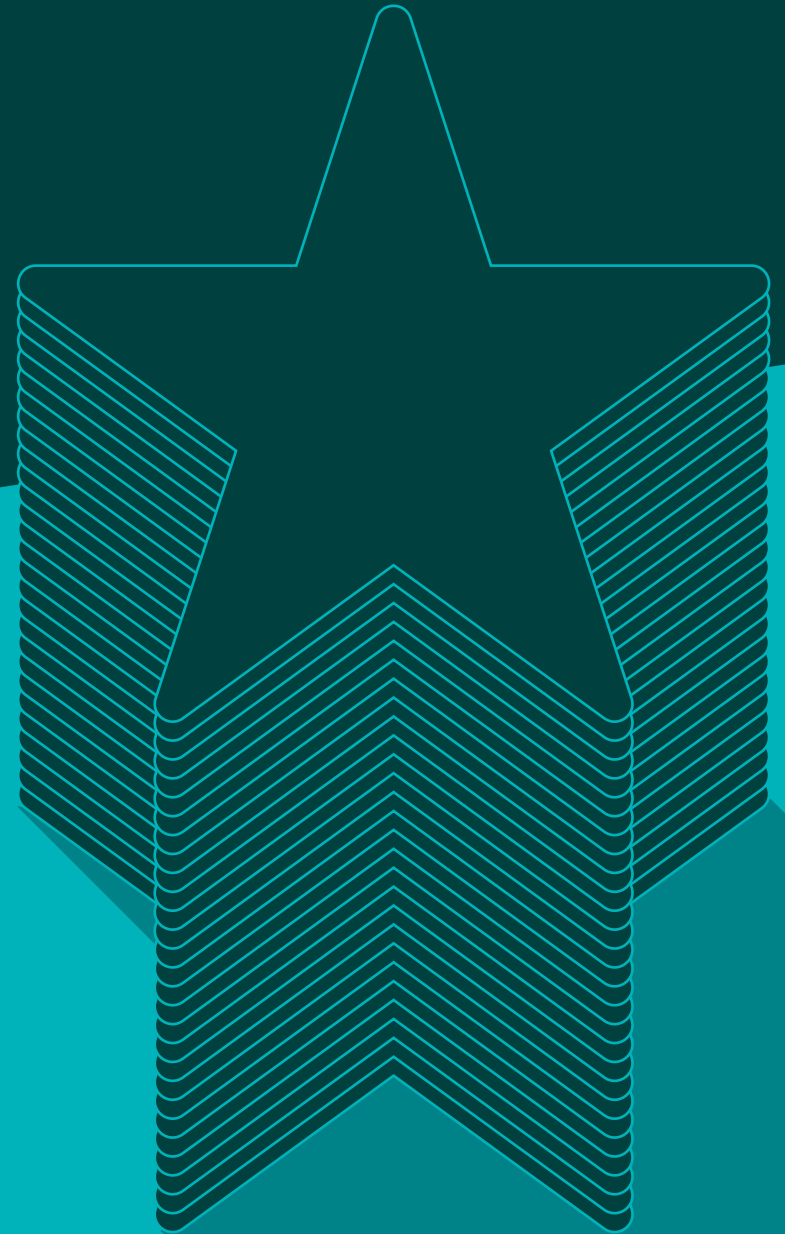


# interact

## Rising Star Award 2020

*“Celebrating outstanding contributions to the property and construction industry through expertise, innovation and the consideration of others”*

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## About Interact

Interact was formed in Nottingham in 1977 to provide a forum for like-minded senior property professionals to build strong relationships through the sharing of knowledge, ideas and opportunities.

Over 40 years on, it remains true to this ethos, keeping a Local Focus but with a National Opportunity through a network of 27 branches across the UK and the Cote d'Azur Branch in Cannes.

With a membership of over 400, representing all parts of the industry, membership of Interact remains much valued and sought after.

## Interact Branches

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| 1. Ashford         | 10. Essex         | 19. Manchester South |
| 2. Bath            | 11. Hertfordshire | 20. Manchester       |
| 3. Birmingham      | 12. Ipswich       | 21. Newcastle        |
| 4. Bradford        | 13. Leeds         | 22. Northampton      |
| 5. Bristol         | 14. Leicester     | 23. Norwich          |
| 6. Bury St Edmunds | 15. Lincoln       | 24. Nottingham       |
| 7. Cambridge       | 16. Liverpool     | 25. Potteries        |
| 8. Derby           | 17. London First  | 26. Sheffield        |
| 9. Edinburgh       | 18. West London   | 27. Thames Valley    |



## About the awards

The Interact Rising Star Award celebrates talent in the industry. It offers young people a platform to advertise their skills and aptitude and Interact members an opportunity to give something back to those entering the industry.

The Award is organised by the Interact National Committee and runs from March to the award presentation at the Interact National Lunch in London in October.

### Eligibility

The criteria for entering the Interact Rising Star Award 2020 is as follows:

- Candidates must be nominated by a current member of Interact.
- Candidates must be actively engaged in the construction profession and aged 35 or under on 1st January 2020.
- Candidates must be able to clearly demonstrate through expertise, innovation or consideration of others, an outstanding contribution to their profession or trade.

Entries failing to meet the criteria or are not submitted in the specified format may not be considered.

### Submission Requirements

Candidates wishing to be considered for the Award should provide the following:

- A completed Entry Form
- A written statement of no more than 500 words, explaining why you fit the award criteria and why you think you deserve to win the Interact Rising Star Award.

The written statement should be provided in either word or PDF format and may be supported by imagery and/or case studies where relevant.

Submissions should be e-mailed to National Secretary Gina Oliver by the closing date, email: [Gina.Oliver@mlmgroup.com](mailto:Gina.Oliver@mlmgroup.com)

## The Award Process

Three short-listed candidates will be invited as guests of Interact to the Interact National Luncheon where awards will be presented by the Interact National President.

The winner will take home the coveted Rising Star Trophy and each short-listed candidate will be take home a prize value for places as follows:



In 2020, the National Lunch will be held on Thursday 8th October at The Royal Automotive Club on Pall Mall, London, SW1Y 5HS with over 140 guests from across the property UK industry in attendance.

## Timeline for the Award process



2019

1st Place



**Matt McLaughlin**

**Quantity Surveyor**

**Company:**  
Barnes Construction

**Nominated by:**  
Interact Branch Ipswich

[www.barnesconstruction.co.uk](http://www.barnesconstruction.co.uk)

2nd Place



**Adam Norfolk**

**Senior Engineer**

**Company:**  
MLM (Part of Sweco)

**Nominated by:**  
Interact Branch Essex

[www.mlmgroup.com](http://www.mlmgroup.com)

3rd Place



**Alice Stewardson**

**Quantity Surveyor**

**Company:**  
Danaher & Walsh Ltd

**Nominated by:**  
Interact Branch Leicester

[www.danaherandwalsh.co.uk](http://www.danaherandwalsh.co.uk)

2018

1st Place



**Craig Martin**

**ASSISTANT ESTIMATOR**

**Company:**  
Novus Solutions

**Nominated by:**  
Interact Branch Staffordshire

[www.novussolutions.co.uk](http://www.novussolutions.co.uk)

2nd Place



**James Norman**

**SITE FOREMAN**

**Company:**  
Robert Norman Construction

**Nominated by:**  
Interact Branch Ipswich

[www.robertnormanltd.co.uk](http://www.robertnormanltd.co.uk)

3rd Place



**Beth Paxton**

**ACOUSTIC CONSULTANT**

**Company:**  
Apex Acoustics

**Nominated by:**  
Interact Branch Essex

[www.apexacoustics.co.uk](http://www.apexacoustics.co.uk)