Home is a space that is intimate to all of us. A home goes beyond its everyday function of being a physical shelter for people and their activities; a home connects with its users at a personal and emotional level.

Our humble abodes are being redefined with every passing day. The world is changing constantly, and along with it, our homes are seeing us spend more time within them. The built form of a home is evolving rapidly; its design adapting to various other needs that were not limited to this space before. Homes today are versatile entities – doubling up as offices, play areas, work-out zones, spaces for interaction and recreation, as also being an abode for our furry friends and providing for their needs.
With the environmental and financial setbacks that we face today in the dawn of a new pandemic age, the desire to have more freedom has led people to follow simpler and efficient ways of living. Today, the home has become our shield – protecting its inhabitants from a virus, while providing them with the basic necessities for survival. Now with everyone spending almost all of their time indoors, this scenario has presented designers with an opportunity to redefine the idea of “home”. The inclination of the users to follow simpler and efficient ways of living, coupled with a rapid development in technology and materials, there is a great opportunity to create a versatile and innovative personal space.

The Tiny House Movement, once again, celebrates the concept of simple, yet resourceful living. The homes can be designed to re-imagine sustainability through the innovation of maximum usable space in a minimum footprint.

Living Small, Yet Living It All
The design of the Tiny House should be innovative and creative, with a sustainable edge. The relation between the exterior surroundings and interior spaces must be taken into consideration. The proposed design should be well-conceptualized.

The area of the proposed Tiny House should not exceed 300 sq. ft. Mobility being a vital factor, the house need not be self-mobile, but should be treated as an extension that can be towed easily by a car or pickup truck.

However, the participants can avoid the issue of mobility altogether by providing a strong justification for the same.

The Interior Spaces should include the following:

1. Living Area
2. Sleeping Area for 2
3. Cooking and Dining Area
4. Toilet space
5. Workspace
6. Recreation space
7. Any other function that the participant wishes to add to the Tiny House

Client Interaction is one of the critical components of the design proposal. For the purpose of this competition, entrants may assume an individual, couple, or a genre of people, based on the design concept.

“Less is More”

Mies Van Der Rohe
German-American architect
The entrants must complete the online registrations on vzcompetitions.volzero.com

**SCHEDULE**

- **14 August 2020**: Competition Starts
- **06 November 2020**: Early Registration Ends
- **16 November 2020**: Queries Deadline
- **10 December 2020**: Regular Registration Ends
- **18 December 2020**: Submission Deadline
- **18 February 2021**: Annoucement of Winners

**REGISTRATION**

The entrants must complete the online registrations on vzcompetitions.volzero.com

**Early Registrations**: 14 Aug - 06 Nov
- Participants from India: INR 1800 +18% tax
- Participants from other countries: USD 70 + 18% Tax

**Regular Registrations**: 07 Nov - 10 Dec
- Participants from India: INR 2400 + 18% Tax
- Participants from other countries: USD 85+ 18% Tax
SUBMISSION

The entrants must complete the online registrations and the submission must include, (but are not limited to) the following required drawings.

- Building / Site sections which illustrate key aspects and major spatial or programmatic elements.
- Floor plans to show the interior spatial arrangements and program.
- Three dimensional representations explaining the design, perspectives and montages which display the character of the project.
- Elevations demonstrating qualities such as material, texture, and colour.
- Large scale drawings that illustrate innovative details or integrated aspects of design.
- All drawings should be presented at a scale appropriate for the design solution and include a graphic scale for reference.

Participants after successfully completing the registration are requested to upload their designs on the dashboard by signing in on vzcompetitions.volzero.com
**FORMAT**

A single A1 sheet must be submitted in JPEG format (150 DPI Resolution), file size not exceeding 5 MB.

The file must be marked with your unique identification number, presented clearly in the top right corner on the A1 sheet.

All text must be in English, with a maximum of 200 WORDS for project explanation with a readable font size (to be provided on the A1 sheet).

The sheet must not include ANY INFORMATION (Name, Organisation, School, etc.) that may give away your identity.

All dimensions should be in imperial or metric unit.

Any other submission other than the above mentioned format would not be accepted.

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**JUDGING CRITERIA**

**Concept Innovation:**

The participants are to design an Innovative Tiny House space with respect to the selected genre of client and justify the same.

**Site Selection:**

Participants are to select a site best suited for the house. The entries will be evaluated based on the site justification given.

**Spatial Design:**

The entries will be evaluated based on creativity displayed in the spatial design and configuration of areas.

**Responsiveness:**

A captivating response given to the physical, emotional and cultural needs of the client.
Awards & Prize Money

$4000 USD

1st Prize
$2000 USD
Certificate of achievement

2nd Prize
$1200 USD
Certificate of achievement

3rd Prize
$800 USD
Certificate of achievement

Winners Publication & Website Exhibition

The winning designs will be published on Volume Zero Magazine website our international media partner’s websites. The winning team will also have an interview published.

Winners in News

Reschool Competition Winner’s published on Archdaily.com

Microhousing Competition Winner’s published on worldarchitecture.org
FAQ

Q: How does a team receive their team unique code?

All the participants will only receive the team unique code on completion of registration process. You will receive the UIC on your registered email address.

Q: Where all do the participants need to use their UIC?

All the participants would be using their team code on the top right corner of their sheets, as the name of their submission and wherever requested by the organizer. This code will be their only identification for the process related with this competition.

Q: What is the limit or cap on the number of team members and can anyone participate individually?

A team can have up to three members and cannot exceed this number. The participants who desire to participate individually can do so by filling and submitting the details for only the team leader on the registration form.

Q: What is the nature of the competition and is it open for all?

Tiny House 2020 Competition is an open ideas design competition. The competition is open to students and professionals from all walks.

Q: What should the participants do in case the payments are not available in our country?

We request the participants to send us their queries on questions@volzero.com to get an alternate payment method. We would send you all the possible payment methods.

Q: What does the participant do when they don’t get a unique identification code after the payment is made?

In case of such a problem we request you to send us your payment receipt to questions@volzero.com with the “Unique Identification Code” as subject matter.

Q: What are the modes of submissions? What should be the submission file size?

The participants are requested to submit their work on one A1 sheet in JPEG file format in 150 DPI resolutions. The file size should not exceed more than 5MB.

Q: Will participants receive certificates for participation in the competition?

Yes all the participants would receive a certificate for participation.
KEY WORDS

Innovation
Efficient
Space
Planning
Home
Design
Versatile
Opportunity
User-centric
Interaction
Client
All the best!

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