

Emerge Architecture Competition *Kumba*

BRIEF

A pandemic has swept the globe and we are facing new challenges. Covid-19 has changed our way of living as it spreads through respiratory droplets, by direct contact with infected persons, or contaminated objects and surfaces. We have been forced to retreat into our homes in quarantine and isolation, making us re-think our multifunctional spaces.

Emerge Kumba is looking for conceptual proposals of the ideal home in a post -pandemic world.

We ask you to imagine a family of three, assign each member a profession or role and design the ideal house for their small family unit in the future.

Consider the following;

- What is the configuration and what are the features in the post-pandemic house?
- -What is the adequate area for your imagined small family of three?
- -How do spaces transform to meet individual needs?
- -What elements contribute to a positive space and good mental health?
- -How does it meet the collective family needs and maximize human interaction?
- -With more meals cooked and eaten at home, what does the living space look like?
- -How does the home address health and safety especially safe entry and exit into the home?
- -How does it address workspaces for each family member, eg. Quiet corners to take private video calls/do homework or how does it convert to a studio for an imagined artist?
- -What does the need for hygienic, clean, and sterile surfaces mean for the aesthetics and materials of the house?
- -Are there opportunities to interact safely with neighbours?

PROGRAMME

Submissions should include (but not limited to);

- -The ideal area of the proposed home (show dimensions)
- -What is essential for living given potentially adjusting incomes
- -Adaptability and Flexibility (how does the space change-from day to night etc.
- -Affordability
- -Durability and Sustainability (in manufacturing, material use, impact on sites and upkeep)
- -Cleanliness and Sustainability (providing sanitary services and water collection methods)
- -Safety
- -Sensitivity to the social and cultural makeup of the region
- -Aesthetics
- -The proposal must be illustrated within a context through a site plan.

The proposed house can connect with other issues that interest the participant.

SITE

The site can be of any size or form, chosen by the entrant, but limited to the African context.

SUBMISSION

The *Emerge* competition is a digital endeavour in accordance with its sustainable attitude, no hardcopy submissions will be accepted.

Competition dates are highlighted on the *Emerge* website.

Entrants must submit their proposals to the *Emerge* website by the competition deadline: www.emergecompetition.com

Each entry requires a unique registration number issued after online registration.

Submissions must contain the following electronic files in a single email totalling no more than 25MB.

Entrants will submit two presentation boards and one Design Intent sheet as follows:

- 1. Two A1 (594x 841mm) landscape-oriented presentation boards in PDF format. These will have the project title and registration number (issued after online registration) on the top right of each panel. The panels must contain necessary drawings that best describe the project, for example: Plans, sections, elevations and a 3-D representation of the project.
- 2. A 300-word A4 Design Intent sheet describing the project in PDF format.

The documents should be titled in the following format:

(Registration Number_Surname_ Panel 1) (Registration Number_ Surname_ Panel 2) (Registration Number_ Surname_ DesignIntent)

Multiple entries from a person are not accepted.

*Please note that we do not accept file shares, Dropbox folders, or third-party transfers of any type.

ELIGIBILITY

The competition is open to design students that are from *SADC member states. Students can be studying architecture or related design fields, in any tertiary institution around the world in the year 2020 as winnings will go towards fees.

Only individual participation is accepted.

Multiple entries from a person are not accepted.

There is **no** registration fee for the competition

*Winners may be asked to provide proof of their nationality and proof of enrolment

*Qualifying 16 southern African countries; Angola, Botswana, Comoros, Democratic Republic of Congo, Lesotho, Madagascar, Malawi, Mauritius, Mozambique, Namibia, Seychelles, South Africa, Swaziland, Tanzania, Zambia, Zimbabwe

SCHEDULE

- _Competition Announcement Date 15th June 2020
- _Standard Registration Ends | Late Registration Begins 31st August 2020
- _Last Day for Registration 30th September 2020
- _ Submission Deadline 31st December 2020
- _Jury Evaluation 11th January to 10th February 2021
- _ Winners Announced 1st March 2021

JURY

Henry Abosi

Karen Hewson

Ruvimbo Moyo

Tom Bergmann-Harris

PRIZES

A total of R30 000 will be awarded as follows:

1st PRIZE:

The winning proposal will receive R15 000. This will be put towards the designer's school fees.

2nd PRIZE:

The second prize will receive R9 000. This will be put towards the designer's school fees.

3rd PRIZE:

The third prize will receive R6 000. This will be put towards the designer's school fees.

Honourable mentions will be published on the *Emerge* Competition website. Proof must be provided for deposit into entrant's school account.

PUBLICATION/MEDIA

Winners will be published in <u>POVO SustainZim Journal</u> Winners will be published by <u>BeFront Magazine</u>

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