KBB is pleased to announce the opening of our "2025 Person of the Year" competition. Do you know someone who is passionate, innovative and has been a timely influencer for the kitchen and bath industry in a positive way? We encourage you to nominate yourself or a peer who is a go-getter in our industry. Nominations are being accepted until Oct. 8 and may not include nominations for product brands or marketing/PR firms. The overall Person of the Year winner and any others to be considered will be decided upon by a team of editors and featured in our November/December 2025 issue.

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Timeline Nominations will be accepted from 9:00 a.m. EST on July 9, 2025, and will end Oct. 8, 2025, at 5:00 p.m. EST (the "Entry Deadline"). All nominations must be received by the Entry Deadline. There is no fee required to submit an entry or entries.

RULES

- 1. Nominations may not include product brands or marketing/PR firms.
- 2. Where applicable, all questions on the entry form must be answered fully by the nominators to help judges better select a winner. Failure to fill in required fields or to submit incorrect information may result in disqualification. If you are unsure of any responses, we recommend reaching out to the nominee for confirmation. Submissions do not need to be anonymous.
- **3.** There is no limit to the number of nominations an entrant can submit.
- 4. All decisions made by KBB are final.
- **5.** Employees of KBB and Sponsor, and each of their affiliates, subsidiaries and agents and their immediate family members (spouse, parent, child, sibling and their respective spouses, regardless of where they live) or persons living in the same households of such individuals, whether or not related, are not eligible to enter. Entrants must be at least 18 years of age as of the date of entry.
- 6. By participating, participants release and agree to hold harmless Sponsor, its parents, subsidiaries, affiliates, advertising and promotion agencies and all of their respective directors, officers, employees, representatives and agents from any and all liability for any injury, loss or damage of any kind to persons (including, without limitation, death) or property, arising directly or indirectly, in whole or in part, from or in connection with the acceptance, possession, use or misuse of any prize, participation in this competition, or any competition-related activity. NOTWITHSTANDING THE FOREGOING, IN THE EVENT THAT THE PRECEDING RELEASE IS DETERMINED BY A COURT OF COMPETENT JURISDICTION TO BE INVALID OR VOID FOR ANY REASON, THE PARTICIPANT AGREES THAT, BY ENTERING THE COMPETITION, (I) ANY CLAIMS, JUDGMENTS AND AWARDS SHALL BE LIMITED TO ACTUAL OUT-OF-POCKET COSTS INCURRED, BUT IN NO EVENT ATTORNEYS' FEES; AND (II) UNDER NO CIRCUMSTANCES WILL ANY PARTICIPANT BE PERMITTED TO OBTAIN ANY AWARD FOR, AND PARTICIPANT HEREBY WAIVES ALL RIGHTS TO CLAIM, ANY OTHER DAMAGES, INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO, PUNITIVE, INCIDENTAL OR CONSEQUENTIAL DAMAGES.

Judging Criteria

Judges will select the overall winner and any others to be recognized based on the answers to the entry questions. All questions on the entry form must be answered where applicable. If you are nominating someone and do not know all the answers to the questions, please reach out to that person and get the answers. Factors the judges will take into consideration include accreditations, awards, publications, blogs, speaking engagements and charity work. Decisions by the judges are final.

Jury Info

Entries will be judged after the contest is officially closed by a panel of editors, who will take a holistic approach to determining the winner(s) based on the information provided in the entry.

Winners Announcement

The winners will be announced and featured in the KBB November/ December 2025 issue and on kbbonline.com once the November/ December issue has mailed. There are no monetary prizes.

Entrants agree (a) to be bound by these Official Rules and (b) that the decisions of the judges and KBB are final on all matters relating to the Person of the Year competition.

Governing Law

By entering, participants agree that all issues and questions concerning the construction, validity, interpretation and enforceability of these Official Rules, or the rights and obligations of participants and Sponsor in connection with the competition, shall be governed by, and construed in accordance with, the substantive laws of the State of California without regard to its conflicts of law provisions. All participants hereby consent to the jurisdiction and venue of the federal or state courts located in Orange County, Calif.

Contest Sponsor

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