

Only Natural Student Design Competition Terms & Conditions

By entering the Competition organised by gt&i Limited (“gt&i”) (the “Competition”) on behalf of Only Natural and the Leather & Hide Council of America, entrants agree to be bound by the following Terms & Conditions:

1). The Competition opens on March 1, 2025 (“Opening Date”) and closes at midnight on June 30, 2025 (“Closing Date”). gt&i reserve the right to change the Opening Date and Closing Date. No entries will be accepted before the Opening Date or after the Closing Date. Entries are limited to one (1) entry per person or one (1) entry per duo (two member) team. Entries which are not in accordance with these Terms and Conditions are invalid. Entries comprising of anything which is obscene or vulgar, abusive, harmful, threatening, libellous, defamatory, invasive, profane, or otherwise unlawful shall be deemed to be invalid.

2). To enter the Competition, entrants:

- a) must upload their storyboards, sketches, material breakdown and final designs (“Design Materials”) onto the website [internationaldesigncomp.com] “Website”, subject always to the Terms and Conditions of the Website.
- b) must complete the online International Profile and Student Design Competition Entry Form to confirm your entry (together with the Design Materials, the “Entry”); and
- c) must take into consideration the Competition Brief before submitting their Entry. Entries must include one or more natural materials. We do not accept the use of fur or exotic skins, plastics or synthetics (such as polyester or lycra). Designs can include a minimal use of non-natural materials to join natural materials together (e.g. glue, metal screws) or to enhance item’s functionality and durability (e.g. light bulb filaments, electrical cables, ink, paint, varnish, etc), although the use of natural alternatives is highly encouraged.

3). There will be nine (9) winning titles: one (1) overall winner for fashion, one (1) overall winner for home, one (1) category winner for apparel, one (1) category winner for footwear, one (1) category winner for accessories, one (1) category winner for furniture, one (1) category winner for interiors, and two (2) People’s Choice winners - one each for Fashion and Home competitions, respectively.

Category winners will be notified by email by 15th July 2024. At this time winners will be asked to provide a prototype of their product which will form part of the Awards Presentation and Exhibition of winners’ work later in the year, where the Overall winners from each category will be selected. We reserve the right to change these dates.

The prizes shall consist of the following, which are non-transferable and non-exchangeable:

- i). Winners will receive a certificate and trophy according to their category.
- ii). Winners will receive an invitation to the Only Natural Awards event and exhibition to take place in London with travel costs and accommodation provided.
- iii). Winners will be publicised including interview for inclusion on the Only Natural website platforms and works promoted across the Only Natural Social Channels. Profiles will include commentary from the panel of judges.

Additional prizes may be announced by the organiser at a later date (Collectively, the “Prize”).

In the event that a duo team entry wins, the prize is limited to one trophy and one certificate per team.

Category Winners will be included in the Only Natural Capsule Collection that will be shown at future exhibitions around the world. Category Winners will therefore be asked to provide an existing prototype or to create a new prototype of the Winning Entry to form part of the Capsule Collection.

4). Subject to clause 5 below, the Only Natural Competition is open to anyone over the age of 18 years who is studying or has graduated from higher education within the last two (2) years and is not currently employed full-time within the creative sector. gt&i reserves the right to: i) make reasonable enquiries to verify these requirements, and ii) deem any entry to the Competition invalid if we are not satisfied (in our absolute discretion) that such requirements have been met.

5). The following persons are not eligible to enter the Competition: employees of (i) gt&i, franchises, subsidiaries, agents and advisors and their families; (ii) Leather & Hide Council of America, franchises, subsidiaries, agents and advisors and their families; and (iii) any other company, organisation, or person assisting or connected with the promotion.

6). The Competition shall be judged by a panel comprised of representatives chosen by gt&i, and Only Natural (the “Panel”). The Panel shall select the overall winning entries for fashion and home (the “Winning Entries”) and the winners of each category outlined in clause 3 (“Category Winners”). The Category Winners shall be notified by email within 4 weeks of the Closing Date. Entries shall be judged by the Panel on the basis of the criteria set out in the Competition Brief and the Panel may invite shortlisted entrants to conduct an interview by video. The People’s Choice Award Winners will be selected by public vote. We reserve the right to change these dates.

7). Entries must be original to the entrant and not infringe the intellectual property rights of any third party. This includes the use of third-party trademarks, images and/or copyright. By submitting your Entry, the entrant warrants that the work comprising the Entry was created by them and/or they have validly licensed the necessary rights for incorporation into your Entry. Entries shall not comprise of anything which is obscene or vulgar, offensive, abusive, harmful, threatening, libellous, defamatory, invasive of another’s privacy, sexually or racially or ethically or religiously insulting, harassing, abusive, profane, or otherwise unlawful. All Entries will be screened by gt&i, and gt&i reserves the right, at its sole discretion, to remove and/or disqualify any Entry which it believes is in breach of this clause, or any of the provisions of these Terms and Conditions.

8). By submitting an Entry, the entrant warrants that they have procured the necessary consents, licences, and other such authorisations from any third party (including without limitation any models or members of the public) that may form part of the Entry, and we reserve the right to request proof of such.

9). In the case of an Entry being selected as a Winning Entry (Overall Winner, Category Winner, or People’s Choice Winner), the Entrant hereby grant gt&i (and its authorised partners) a non-exclusive, irrevocable, perpetual, worldwide licence to use your Entry in all media for the purposes of:

a. administering, marketing and promoting this Competition;

b. marketing and promoting future competitions held by Only Natural, and gt&i; and

c. marketing and promoting Only Natural and gt&i.

(collectively, “Marketing and Promotional Purposes”).

10). The Winning Entries may be displayed at one or more exhibitions globally (date and location to be decided at the sole discretion of Only Natural and gt&i) for viewing by the general public, and you shall additionally hereby grant gt&i (and its authorised partners) a non-exclusive, irrevocable, perpetual, worldwide licence to use the Winning Entry in such manner.

11). Entrants’ names may appear on Entries reproduced for Marketing and Promotional Purposes.

12). Only Natural and gt&i shall contact you and afford you the opportunity to negotiate the terms of any additional usage of non-winning Entries falling outside of the Marketing and Promotional Purposes.

13). No purchase of any kind is necessary to enter into this Competition.

14). The Prize may be altered or varied at the sole discretion of Only Natural and gt&i and substituted with a prize which, in the sole opinion of Only Natural and gt&i, is a suitable alternative.

15). gt&i and any other company, organisation or person assisting or connected with the Competition shall not be liable for any claims or complaints of any nature in respect to the Prize or to the Entries, to the fullest extent that this is permissible by law.

16). gt&i reserves the right to withdraw or amend the Competition and these Terms and Conditions in the event of any unforeseen circumstances outside of its reasonable control or if in its absolute discretion considers it necessary.

17). The winners agree to take part in post-Competition publicity at the request of gt&i.

18). Entrants accept that the Website is offered on an “as is” and “as available” basis. gt&i does not warrant that the Website will be uninterrupted, timely, secure, or error-free, that defects will be corrected, or that the Website or the server that makes it available are free of

software viruses or bugs or other defects. gt&i has no control over, and disclaims all responsibility for, any content which Entrants may encounter, or events which may occur as a result of any Entrant’s use of the Website and/or their Competition Entry, to the fullest extent permitted by law, and gt&i shall not be liable for any damages or other losses of any type whatsoever incurred by Entrants as a result of their use of the Website and/or their Competition Entry. gt&i shall not be responsible for any Entry which is lost or damaged in transit or that cannot be uploaded on to the Website.

19). The Promoter of this Competition is gt&i Limited, 66 Charlotte Street, Fitzrovia, London, United Kingdom, W1T 4QE.

20). These Terms and Conditions are governed by English law. The courts of England and Wales shall have exclusive jurisdiction to hear any dispute or claim arising in association with the Competition or these Terms and Conditions.