



PRESS RELEASE

The Global RLI Awards 2023 – Celebrating Retail & Leisure Excellence

Held on the 15th June 2023 at the Pan Pacific London, Retail and Leisure International's eighteenth Global RLI Awards provided a memorable evening that recognised and celebrated the most visionary and innovative retail and leisure concepts from across the globe.

After hosting the awards as a hybrid event in London at The Londoner Hotel in 2021 and in Riyadh, Saudi Arabia at the British Embassy last year, RLI felt this year was the perfect opportunity to bring the awards back to its iconic home, London where they continue to strive for excellence in an industry where the boundaries are always being pushed and now, more than ever, it is essential to continue to collaborate and recognise achievements and ground-breaking projects around the world.

The evening began with a Champagne Reception where people could catch-up with friends and colleagues in the industry before taking their seats. As anticipation started to build, Presenter Shona Lindsay and RLI Publisher Jayne Rafter took to the stage to commence an evening of celebration and entertainment.

In her opening speech, RLI Publisher Jayne Rafter said: "Tonight we will honour the most visionary and innovative retail and leisure concepts from across the globe. The retail and leisure industry is exciting, dynamic and innovative and the Awards pay tribute to those companies that continue to push the boundaries; who are not afraid of the challenges that they are presented with; and who refuse to settle for anything but the very best."

An exquisite three-course meal followed during which guests were treated to West End Entertainment in the form of The Tina Turner Musical where a tribute was paid to a musical icon. It was then time for the main event, the Global RLI Awards 2023.

And the winners are...

RLI Future Project

Sponsored by Chalhoub Group

Winner: 11 SKIES, Hong Kong

Highly Commended: The Point, Abha, Saudi Arabia

RLI Most Anticipated Opening 2023

Presented by UK Department for Business & Trade

Winner: The Exchange TRX, Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia

Highly Commended: El Manantial by theleisureway, Puerto Venecia, Zaragoza, Spain

RLI Most Innovative Retail & Tourism Destination

Sponsored by Daiso Industries Co., Ltd.

Winner: American Dream, New Jersey, US

Highly Commended: BrewDog Waterloo, London, UK

RLI International Shopping Centre – New Build

Sponsored by MK Illumination

Winner: MixC Nanjing, Nanjing, China

RLI International Shopping Centre – Renovation

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Winner: Shopville Gran Reno, Bologna, Italy

Highly Commended: Creteil Soleil Shopping Centre, Paris, France

RLI Sustainable Project of the Year

Winner: nkd LIFE

Highly Commended: Chalhoub Group

RLI Sustainable Retailer of the Year

Winner: DeFacto

Highly Commended: Chalhoub Group

RLI Global Retailer of the Year

Sponsored by HMY Group

Winner: Daiso Industries Co., Ltd.

Highly Commended: DeFacto

RLI Entertainment & Leisure Operator of the Year

Sponsored by DAMAC Mall

Winner: Al Hokair Group

Highly Commended: Gravity UK

RLI Most Immersive Attraction & Experience

Sponsored by Sands Retail

Winner: Frameless

Highly Commended: Outernet London

RLI Hospitality Operator of the Year

Sponsored by The Point

Winner: Chotto Matte

Highly Commended: BrewDog Retail

RLI Developer of the Year

Sponsored by Trison Necsum

Winner: DAMAC Properties

Highly Commended: ROSHN

RLI Designer of the Year

Winner: DLR Group

RLI Contractor of the Year

Winner: HMY Group

RLI Interior Excellence

Winner: Moët & Chandon Bar, London, UK by umdasch Store Makers

Highly Commended: Breitling, Jeddah, Saudi Arabia by Store Makers Middle East

RLI Innovation in Technology Award

Winner: Nanovo Phygital

Highly Commended: Costanera Center

We will announce the location dates for next year's events in the coming weeks, stay tuned...

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