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WINNERS 2026

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CELEBRATING EXCELLENCE

SKÅLITÉ AWARDS 2026

01 Skålité International Awards

02 Skål International Türkiye Skålité Awards

03 Skål International Istanbul Skålité Awards

SKÅLITÉ INTERNATIONAL AWARDS

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AWARDS CATEGORIES

01 Creative Excellence in Cultural Heritage Protection

02 Destination Leadership

03 Developing the Next Generation of Tourism Leaders

04 Excellence in Guest Experience

05 Travel Industry Innovation

06 Travel Storytelling & Digital Impact

07 Presidents' Awards

26 Nominations worldwide

15 Countries represented in the inaugural international edition

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Skålité International Awards

INDEPENDENT JURY

Hülya Aslantas	Skål International President 2009
Rodrigo Álvarez y Jiménez	President, Skål International Mexico
Franziska Düring	President, Skål International Germany
Vorapat Chutima	President, Skål International Thailand
Thomas Strodel	President, Skål International New York

Türkiye & Istanbul Awards

SKÅL INTERNATIONAL TÜRKİYE

- Current Türkiye Board
- All Past Presidents
- Former World Presidents Hülya Aslantas (2009) and Salih Çene (2015)

SKÅL INTERNATIONAL ISTANBUL

- Club Past Presidents
- Current Club Board Members

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Creative Excellence in Cultural Heritage Protection Award

WINNER

Die Tuishuise & Victoria Manor Cradock

Member of Skål International Nelson Mandela Bay, South Africa

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Destination Leadership Award

WINNER

Araceli Ramos Rosaldo



Member of Skål International Guadalajara, Mexico

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Developing the Next Generation of Tourism Leaders Award

WINNER

SKIWA Mentoring Program

Member of Skål International Perth, Australia

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Excellence in Guest Experience Award

WINNER

Nadia McCormack-McIntyre



Member of Skål International London, Canada

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Travel Industry Innovation Award



WINNER

I-DEST, developed and operated by Innotime Hungary Kft.

Member of Skål International Budapest, Hungary

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Travel Storytelling & Digital Impact Award

WINNER

Salina Hong



Member of Skål International Taipei, Taiwan

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Presidents' Award

Granted by World President Andrés O. Hayes

WINNER

Johan van Schalkwyk

Member of Skål International Cape Town, South Africa

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Presidents' Award

Granted by World President Andrés O. Hayes

WINNER

Hülya Aslantaş

Member of Skål International Istanbul



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Türkiye Skålité Awards

Six competitive categories · National recognition

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TÜRKIYE

Creative Excellence in Cultural Heritage Protection Award

WINNER

Şerbetçi Ali Baba

Member of Skål International Marmara

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Destination Leadership Award

WINNER

Çetin Ceylan

Member of Skål International Bursa

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Developing the Next Generation of Tourism Leaders Award

WINNER

Dr. Senem Yazıcı Yılmaz

Member of Skål International Marmaris

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Excellence in Guest Experience Award

WINNER

Akra Hotels



Member of Skål International Antalya

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Travel Industry Innovation Award

WINNER

Serkan Günaydın

Member of Skål International Antalya

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Travel Storytelling & Digital Impact Award

WINNER

Lycian Odyssey



Member of Skål International Antalya

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Presidents' Award

Granted by President Emre Gezgin

WINNER

Meltem Mısırlıoğlu

Member of Skål International Bursa



Istanbul Skålité Awards

Six competitive categories and a special recognition

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ISTANBUL

Creative Excellence in Cultural Heritage Protection Award

WINNER

IBB Miras (Municipality of Istanbul)



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Destination Leadership Award

WINNER

Volkan Ataman — ITF, International Istanbul Tourism Fair

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Developing the Next Generation of Tourism Leaders Award

WINNER

Assoc. Prof. Özen Kırant Yozcu



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Excellence in Guest Experience Award

WINNER

Yücel Özalp Desert Group

Member of Skål International Istanbul

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Travel Industry Innovation Award

WINNER

Jules Verne MICE

Member of Skål International Istanbul

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Travel Storytelling & Digital Impact Award

WINNER

Zekeriya Şen

Member of Skål International Istanbul



Presidents' Award

Granted by President Mustafa D. Yalcin

WINNER

Deniz Anapa

Member of Skål International Istanbul



Presidents' Award

Granted by President Mustafa D. Yalcin

WINNER

Turkish Volleyball Federation

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SPECIAL AWARD

Host Region 9 Director Award

Special recognition

Host Region 9 Award

WINNER

Fatih Işkın

Member of Skål International Konya

Konya · Presented by Region 9 Director Deniz Anapa

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