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 BRIEF  
CASES  
From The Heaven Company

## Calling all budding designers!

SGP and The Heaven Company invite you to:

Design a house – What type of house would yours be?



## Invitation

Award-winning Architects and Masterplanners Stephen George + Partners (SGP) and sustainability education specialists, Brief Cases from The Heaven Company have put together this fun little brief to keep both children and parents entertained. The competition is open to age groups 7 and under<sup>1</sup>, 8 to 11 and 12 to 15.

You are invited to be creative and to design a house or living accommodation that you would like someone to live in. If you love music, could you design a house for a musician? – What does a musician need? What would make their house stand-out?

Would there be a music room or perhaps a sound-proofed studio?

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<sup>1</sup> New age group added

## Where to Start



We've thought of a few areas to get you started. Whether designing a 'house for a hero', an athlete or for your favourite superstar – you can draw your design on paper, or make a 3D model from cardboard, or use your favourite computer programme to bring your ideas to life.

Use your imagination. We want you to 'create' your own client (the client is the person or persons you are designing the house for) and site location! (the site is the piece of land the house is to be built on).

There are two questions to think about straightaway:

1. Who would live in the house you are designing?
2. Where is your site? – It can be any location of your choice, anywhere in the world.

## Aim



The aim of this mini-brief is to get your design skills flowing and to think about an effective home layout for the person you have decided on; consider whether could some areas be used for more than one thing? Could you include something that reflects the type of living space needed for the client you have in mind. Then simply sketch your design and the layout, take a photograph of your design and share it with us.

## 1. A Few Tips

The Client - who is this? Who are they if it is more than one person?

Is it you? Is it a future you?

Is it a real person or fictional?

What are their interests?

What is their lifestyle?

What things will they need in their house?

What outside spaces are needed and how do they relate to the interior spaces?

## 2. A Site Location

3. Where in the world will the house be?

4. What is the climate / environment where your house will be built - and how will the house respond to that?

5. City or Countryside location – Urban or Rural?

6. Sea / Mountain / Desert / Tropical?

7. Is the land on the site flat / sloping?

8. Think about the movement of the sun during the day as a source for heat and light

## Requirements

1. Think about: who the design is for
2. Think about: your site, the location where the house you are designing would be
3. Produce drawings of your creative designs – crayons and illustrations welcome ☺
4. Use #sgpandyou and share your designs on Instagram or Twitter using @sgplp and @BriefCasesUK or Facebook at Stephen George + Partners<sup>2</sup>. Alternatively entries can be sent via email at [sgpandyou@stephengeorge.co.uk](mailto:sgpandyou@stephengeorge.co.uk)<sup>3</sup>.

## Competition Dates

Monday 1<sup>st</sup> June 2020 – competition starts

Friday 17<sup>th</sup> July 2020 – competition closes<sup>4</sup>

Friday 31<sup>st</sup> July 2020 – judges will meet to review the entries

Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> August 2020 – entries will be displayed on the SGP website<sup>5</sup>

Friday 7<sup>th</sup> August 2020 – winners will be announced on social media<sup>6</sup>

## The Winner



The Judges are Kanti Chhapi and Nita Varia at SGP and Veronica Heaven at The Heaven Company. The judges will meet on Friday 31<sup>st</sup> July to decide who will win 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> prizes from all age groups<sup>7</sup>.

Competition entries will be displayed on the SGP's website at:

<https://www.stephengeorge.co.uk/competition-entries/>

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<sup>2</sup> Facebook added as a platform to upload competition entries

<sup>3</sup> Added email address as an alternative method of submitting entry

<sup>4</sup> Closing date updated from 03<sup>rd</sup> July to 17<sup>th</sup> July

<sup>5</sup> Updated website upload from the 23<sup>rd</sup> July to 4<sup>th</sup> August

<sup>6</sup> Winners will be announced updated from 26<sup>th</sup> July to

<sup>7</sup> Updated for all age groups to include 7 and under

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## Prizes

1<sup>st</sup> place – £100 Amazon Voucher

2<sup>nd</sup> place – £50 Amazon Voucher

3<sup>rd</sup> place – £25 Amazon Voucher

4<sup>th</sup> place - special mention

## Contact Us

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## About Us

**Stephen George + Partners** ([SGP](#)) is one of the UK's leading architectural practices and Masterplanners with headquarters in Leicester and offices in Leeds, London, Birmingham and Solihull.

**The Heaven Company** is a consultancy specialising in CSR, sustainability issues and communication. The Heaven Company's [Brief Cases](#) initiative is a model for co-operation between academia and business, which brings education and the world of work closer together.