This design is on the edge, if not over it – writing someone’s name on a stone could mean that the stone is ment for that particular person. It’s aggressive, intimidating and “in your face”.

However, I’m still submitting this, as it is as controversial as are all the persons who are winning it.

It’s inspired by Euromaidan protests against Viktor Yanukovich and his government.
During protests in Kiev’s main square, stone cubes were one of the “weapons” used against government forces protecting status quo.

When everything else fails, stones, bricks and cubes like these are often the only power people have in their fight against corrupted governments – the last tool for change.

By placing winners names and images on bricks, the award should remind them of power of the people – what people can do if things don’t change.

The Design

The design is actually just a standard stone cube. The size of it vary from 15x15mm to 20x20cm. It can be bought new, but I would suggest to actually take it from the country of the winner, film the whole process of stealing the cube and engraving it and put it in a short movie explaining all the reasons for awarding a certain person with it .

All words and images would then be laser engraved. The cheaper variant would be to spray paint it with stencils, but it wont be so precise.

The Cubes are relatively small and they can be stacked on a shelf.
The Costs

The costs are, basically, stealing the stone cube and engrave it with a laser which costs around 1 USD per square inch (1 USD per 6.45 square cm) which would be some 120 USD maximum, since we’re engraving two sides of the cube.