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CSLA TO HONOR ROBERT N. ALLSOPP, KAREN LANDMAN, FAYE E. LANGMAID AND SOVERDI WITH RECOGNITION AWARDS

Ottawa – May 27th, 2016- The Canadian Society of Landscape Architects (CSLA) is pleased to announce that:

- **Robert N. Allsopp, FCSLA / ARIBA / MRTPI / CIP / OPPI / OALA / MALA (Hon), will receive the CSLA's Lifetime Achievement Award,**
- **Professor Karen Landman will receive the CSLA's Teaching Award,**
- **Faye E. Langmaid, SALA, FCSLA, will receive the CSLA's Schwabenbauer Award, and**
- **Soverdi will receive the CSLA's Community Service Award.**

The CSLA Recognition Awards honour the work and commitment of Canadians to the profession of landscape architecture.

The **Lifetime Achievement Award** is awarded annually to a member of the CSLA whose lifetime achievements and contributions to the profession have had a unique and lasting impact on the welfare of the public and on the environment.



ROBERT N. ALLSOPP, FCSLA / ARIBA / MRTPI / CIP / OPPI / OALA / MALA (Hon), is an architect, landscape architect and city planner, Robert Allsopp is best known as a leading Canadian urban designer. Through his distinguished career in professional practice and teaching, as well as local community involvement, he has helped shape and influence the making of hospitable, enriching and meaningful urban environments. As a faculty member at the University of Manitoba and later at the University of Toronto, Bob has helped generations of designers to carry forward his commitment to a holistic, open-minded and generous attitude to place-making and community building. He joined the Toronto office of Roger du Toit in 1979 – a firm with shared values of multi-dimensional and inclusive approach to urban design.

The partnership of du Toit Allsopp Hillier was formed in 1985 and Bob remains actively involved the expanded partnership of DTAH. He is best known for award-winning urban design projects that have transformed the centre of the Nation's Capital, including: siting of the National Gallery and Museum of Canadian History; the Ceremonial Routes (Confederation Boulevard); the Parliamentary and Judicial Precincts; and "Views Protection" policies that protect the visual integrity of the Parliament Buildings and other landmarks. Other notable projects include university campus plans for McGill, Guelph, Calgary, Alberta, Manitoba, Queens, Regina and five RCMP training facilities; and central area, district, transit and public realm plans in Toronto and GTA, Ottawa, Regina and Vancouver. Bob gives considerable time to local community and civic affairs. He was a start-up member of the Toronto Design Review Panel and is currently member the Toronto Preservation Board and three local community advisory committees. He has received the OALA Pinnacle Award; Canada Council Award; Fulbright Scholarship, and Royal Institute of British Architects' Soane Medallion. –

Footnote: Bob continues to believe that drawing is the best way to think and to communicate. Writing is much harder. He has promised himself he will do much more of both in the future.

The **Teaching Award** recognizes an individual who has made a substantial and significant contribution to landscape architecture education.



PROFESSOR KAREN LANDMAN has a background in horticulture, landscape architecture, planning, and geography. She has had a design practice for over 20 years, and is a professional planner. Since 2002, she has been a full-time faculty member at the University of Guelph. Karen has been a recipient of the OAC Distinguished Professor Award; the G.P. McRostie Faculty Award for Teaching; the Ontario Professional Planners Institute's Excellence in Planning Award for Communications and Public Education; and the YWCA Women of Distinction for Education and Training. With her wonderful students, Karen conducts research on green infrastructure, urban forest, urban agriculture, ecological sustainability, design for bee habitat, and landscape stewardship. She is currently working with the CSLA's Landscape Architecture Accreditation Council to update accreditation standards, and is a member of the Nourishing Communities research team.

The **Schwabenbauer Award** is awarded to a member of the CSLA in recognition of their unselfish and devoted service to the CSLA at the national level over a period of not less than five years.



FAYE E. LANGMAID, B.L.A., M.P.A., FCSLA, MCIP: The majority of Faye Langmaid's landscape architecture and planning career has been in municipal public practice. Faye's service to the CSLA began with involvement as part of the organizing committee for the first Congress held in Saskatchewan (1985). Because of Faye's organizational and writing skills she was recruited to assist with revitalizing the CSLA Awards of Excellence in the late 1980's, and then chaired the awards process for three years. From 1998 to 2004 Faye served as a juror for the Research and Communications Grants for the Landscape Architecture Canada Foundation (LACF). Faye has chaired the Grants Committee of the LACF for twelve years and also serves as a Board member of the LACF. Faye deftly manages the annual grant application process, oversees the adjudication of proposals, assists with promotional materials while shepherding proposals to finished products which are disseminated through various medians, helping to expand the knowledge and breadth of the profession. Projects under Faye's direction have been the recipient of Awards of Excellence from the Canadian Society of Landscape Architects and the Canadian Institute of Planners, Award of Excellence for Innovation from the Canadian Parks and Recreation Association and the Top Honour Award from the International Waterfront Center. Faye served a five year term on the Ontario Parks Foundation. As facilitator she helped establish the Little River Enhancement Group, Canada South Land Trust and Jury Lands Foundation; groups dedicated to the long view of stewardship. Faye also serves as Vice-Chair of the Port Hope Parks, Recreation and Culture Advisory Committee. In 2000 Faye was inducted into the College of Fellows for executed works, direct service to the society and service to the community or public.

The **Community Service Award** recognizes public agencies and community groups who have contributed significantly to environmental responsibility.



SOVERDI, the Société de verdissement du Montréal Métropolitain, is an NPO established in 1992 with the mission of 'greening-up' the Montreal landscape by planting the right tree in the right place. Its action aims to significantly increase the urban forest and to "democratize green" to improve the health and quality of life of Montrealers. A leader in urban greening, Soverdi favours a participatory approach to its interventions. The communities and local stakeholders are all invited to join together as agents of change and take part in Montreal's great green alleyways project. Commissioned by the city of Montreal, SOVERDI coordinates the planting of trees on private and institutional properties referred to in the Canopy Action Plan (PAC). It brought together 40 partners under the Alliance forêt urbaine, the largest consultation table in Montreal for the planting of trees, in order to meet the ambitious challenge of planting 180,000 trees over the next ten years for the benefit of all Montrealers. In 2015, 10,000 trees were thus planted under the Urban Forest Action Plan, through more than 100 different projects. A significant undertaking, which was successfully accomplished thanks to the collaboration of our partners in the Alliance, the '*A tree for my neighborhood*' campaign, various greening packages offered in industrial and commercial districts as well as other projects carried out on school boards' and health care properties.

The Recognition Awards will be given at the CSLA Gala to be held on Saturday, June 25th, 2016, at the Fort Garry Hotel in Winnipeg during the CSLA 2016 Congress.

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The **CSLA Congress**, to be held June 23-25, 2016 at the Fort Garry Hotel, is the premier networking and educational event for the growing Canadian landscape architecture profession. The CSLA represents all major decision-makers from Canada's landscape architecture profession, including landscape architects from private practices, educational facilities, municipalities, government ministries and agencies.

The **Canadian Society of Landscape Architects** (CSLA) is a professional organization with over 1,900 landscape architects as members represented by provincial and territorial associations plus academic programs across the nation. As the voice of the profession in Canada, the CSLA is an advocate for its members on issues such as urban renewal, sustainable development and cultural heritage.

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