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key subject areas

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| | Brownfield Redevelopment | | Cultural & Heritage Landscapes |
| X | Garden Design | X | International Practice |
| X | Landscape Architecture - General | | Landscape Assessment/Visual Analysis |
| X | Landscape Management & Restoration | | Parks Planning & Design |
| | Resort & Recreational Areas | | Sports Fields & Athletic Facilities |
| | Storm Water Management | | Streetscapes |
| | Low Impact Development | | Sustainability & Innovation |
| | Trails & Transportation | | Urban Design |
| | Waterfront Development | X | Other: Healing Gardens, Labyrinths, Children's Gardens, Therapeutic Landscapes, Sacred Spaces, Residential Gardens, Philosophy, Sacred Geometry |
| X | Institutional | | |



regions where interested in speaking

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| X | British Columbia | X | Northwest Territories |
| X | Nunavut | X | Alberta |
| X | Saskatchewan | X | Manitoba |
| X | Ontario | X | Québec |
| X | Newfoundland/Labrador | X | Nova Scotia |
| X | Prince Edward Island | X | New Brunswick |
| X | USA | X | International |

description of your speaking interests and expertise, including a list of previous speaking engagements

Virginia is committed to create landscapes and gardens of meaning including public, health care and private projects. Her international award winning work varies in scale from hundreds of acres to the smallest courtyards. She is an engaging speaker, an advocate for stakeholders and clients and loves to speak about healing gardens, sacred spaces and labyrinths.

Virginia is dedicated to the craft of landscape architecture and design. Virginia is published, has lectured at universities and over 200 conferences including:

- Twin States ASLA and Ohio Chapter ASLA *Concept to Eye Sparkling Detail*
- Garden Clubs of Cleveland *Gardens in Healthcare*
- Radio America *Labyrinths in Healing Gardens*
- Canada Blooms *Healing Gardens*
- The Hospice at Windsor & Essex *Healing Gardens*
- Spadina House *Creating Sacred Spaces in your Garden*
- Toronto Botanical Gardens *Designing Gardens as Healing Spaces*
- Ideas That Matter Conference *Creating Innovative Healing Spaces*
- IIDEX Neocon Design Show *Gardens of Healing*
- North American Community Gardening Association *Gardens as Sacred Spaces*
- HGTV *The Indoor Gardener*
- Royal Botanical Gardens *Labyrinths and Sacred Spaces*
- International Federation of Landscape Architects Conference *Making Labyrinths: Creating Sacred Space*
- The Artists' Opportunities Committee, Toronto *Gardens: A Place of Imagination and Spirit*
- Wellwood, Hamilton Regional Cancer Center *Healing Gardens*
- The Many Faces of Aging
- University of Western Ontario *Therapeutic Healing Gardens for the Elderly*
- American Horticultural Therapy Association Conference *Making Successful Therapeutic Gardens*
- Canada Blooms *Creating Sacred Space & Healing Gardens*
- Designing for Diversity in Dementia Care *Inspiring a Garden of Healing*
- American Horticultural Therapy Association Conference International People Plant Symposium
- Wholistic Approach to Creating a Therapeutic Garden*



CSLA AAPC
Canadian Society of Landscape Architects L'Association des architectes paysagistes du Canada

Cdn. Society of Landscape Architects Conference *Conducting Effective Public Participation Meetings*
Bio-Psycho-Spiritual Approaches to Cancer Care, Cancer Care Ontario, *Keynote Address: Therapeutic Gardens,*
Workshop: Healing Environments and Playful Expression
Wellness through the Use *Keynote Address and Workshops*
of Horticulture Conference, Calgary, Alberta

brief biography

Virginia Burt, ASLA, OALA, Principal, Visionscapes Landscape Architects, Inc. designs gardens of meaning for residential and healthcare facilities. Well known for healing gardens, labyrinths and sacred spaces since the inception of her ASLA award winning firm in 1996, Virginia has over 28 years of experience across North America. Clients, including University Hospitals and The Gathering Place in Ohio appreciate her focus on gardens that have heart and meaning.

Virginia has been passionately in pursuit of landscape architectural excellence for her entire 28 year career. Her love of the land has been a lifetime journey. Having grown up on an apple farm, she developed a passion for being outside and understanding the rhythms of nature. Sustainability was a way of life and her family designed and built a passive solar home in 1980. Virginia had always enjoyed sketching hence landscape architecture was a natural extension. Virginia's design work reflects her roots, creating gardens and landscapes that reveal their context and reflect the people who use them. She is committed to creating built works with attention to detail and craftsmanship that exceeds expectations. In 1996, Virginia opened Visionscapes with a commitment to help create meaningful gardens for people to enjoy, find peace and sanctuary.