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Best in Canadian Landscape Architecture Recognized by the CSLA Awards of Excellence

Projects a reminder that great design helps to build great communities

Ottawa - March 4th, 2014 - Today, the Canadian Society of Landscape Architects (CSLA) announced the national and regional winners of its annual Awards of Excellence. This year, 15 projects received a national award - preeminent examples in Canadian landscape architecture, honouring distinctive design, ground-breaking research, and sustainable landscape management.

These award-winning projects illustrate the range of what landscape architects do. They are helping to reshape our communities - defining the places we want to live, work and play.

According to Brian Parker, Chair of the Awards of Excellence jury:

“More and more frequently landscape architects appear to be leading projects that are increasingly multi-disciplinary. Collaborative work with engineers, architects and planners bodes well for the profession.”

Winners were selected by a national jury of landscape architects. National and Regional awards are presented in three categories: Honour, Merit, and Citations. Honour Awards recipients demonstrate excellence in all judging criteria, Merit Awards in some criteria, and Citations in particular categories. The principal criteria applied by the jurors were:

- o demonstration of a deep understanding of the craft of landscape architecture including attention to composition and detail;
- o demonstration of excellence in leadership, project management, breadth of work, new directions or new technology;
- o innovation in concept, process, or implementation;
- o promotion of the discipline amongst related professions, clients and the general public;
- o demonstration of exemplary environmental and/or social awareness.

The 2014 recipients are:

National Honour / honneur national

Dundas Street West Parkettes (Toronto)

Fung Lee, PMA Landscape Architects Ltd.

Category / Catégorie : Design

The Landscape of Memory: Poppy Plaza (Calgary)

Dave Spencer + Marc Boutin, Stantec Consulting Ltd. With the Marc Boutin architectural collaborative inc.

Category / Catégorie : Design

Les promenades urbaines (Montréal)

Marie-Claude Séguin, Ville de Montréal, Direction des grands parcs et du verdissement

Categories / Catégories : Communications and Planning and Analysis / Communications et Planification et analyse

National Merit / mérite national

Toronto Natural Environment Trail Strategy (Toronto)

Erik Lees, LEES+Associates Landscape Architects

Category / Catégorie: Landscape Management / Aménagement des paysages

Pottery Road Bicycle and Pedestrian Crossing (Toronto)

Mary Tremain, PLANT Architect Inc.

Category / Catégorie: Design

East Bayfront Water's Edge Promenade (Toronto)

Tanya Brown, West 8 + DTAH

Category / Catégorie: Design

Tree Planting Solutions in Hard Boulevard Surfaces: Best Practices Manual (Toronto)

Clara Kwon, DTAH

Category / Catégorie: Research

An Adventure in Firsts: The Variety Heritage Adventure Park at the Forks National Historic Site (Winnipeg)

Monica Giesbrecht, HTFC Planning & Design

Category / Catégorie: Design

Zaubergarten in an Urban Clearing, Childcare Centre Munich (Munich)
Dietmar Straub and Anna Thurmayr, Straub Thurmayr CSLA Landschaftsarchitekten
Category / Catégorie: Design

The Chemin-Qui-Marche Lookout (Montréal)
Isabelle Giasson, Groupe IBI-CHBA
Category / Catégorie : Design

Imperial Lofts - A Breath of Fresh Air (Montréal)
Isabelle Giasson, Groupe IBI-CHBA
Category / Catégorie : Residential Design / Design résidentiel

National Citation / citation nationale

Downtown Moves: Transforming Ottawa's Streets (Ottawa)
Donna Hinde, Delcan and The Planning Partnership
Category / Catégorie: Planning & Analysis / Planification et analyse

John Street Roundhouse Park (Toronto)
Trevor McIntyre, IBI Group
Category / Catégorie: Design

TOM Field of Daisies/Field of Poppies (2012 & 2013 editions) (Montréal)
Claude Cormier, Claude Cormier et Associés
Category / Catégorie : New Directions / Nouvelles orientations

Parc Hydro-Québec (Montréal)
Claude Cormier/Sophie Beaudoin, Claude Cormier et Associés
Category / Catégorie : Design

Regional Honour / honneur régionale

Mid Main Park (Vancouver)
Joseph Fry, Hapa Collaborative
Category / Catégorie : Design

Credit Rivers Parks Strategy (Mississauga)
Mark Schollen, Schollen & Company Inc.
Category / Catégorie : Planning & Analysis / Planification et analyse

Lower Don Trail Access, Environment and Art Master Plan (Toronto)

Brent Raymond, DTAH

Category / Catégorie : Planning & Analysis / Planification et analyse

Victoria Park Subway Station - Green Roof and Landscape (Toronto)

Scott Torrance, Scott Torrance Landscape Architect Inc.

Category / Catégorie : Design

Regional Merit / mérite régional

John Lawson Park Playground and Splash Pad (West Vancouver)

Richard Findlay, Richard Findlay Landscape Architect Inc.

Category / Catégorie : Design

MacEwan Terrace Garden at Riverwood (Mississauga)

Rod MacDonald & Mark Steele , The Landplan Collaborative Ltd.

Category / Catégorie : Design

Designing Thunder Bay's Image Routes: An Innovative Approach to Large-Scale Streetscape Redevelopment (Thunder Bay)

Calvin Brook, Brook McIlroy

Category / Catégorie : Communications

Downtown Tomorrow: Linking Orillia's Core to the Water (Orillia)

George Dark, Urban Strategies Inc.

Category / Catégorie : Planning & Analysis / Planification et analyse

Ruelle verte Cartierville (Montréal)

Jasmin Corbiel, Groupe Rousseau Lefebvre

Category / Catégorie : Design

Regional Citation / citation régionale

Courthouse Square (Goderich)

David Leinster, The Planning Partnership Ltd.

Category / Catégorie : Landscape Management / Aménagement des paysages

Wellington Place (Toronto)

David Leinster, The Planning Partnership Ltd.

Category / Catégorie : Design

Open Hearth Park (Sydney)

Gary Sorge, Stantec Consulting Services, Inc.

Category / Catégorie : Design

Plan directeur d'aménagement récréotouristique de Rivière-au-Renard (Ville de Gaspé)

Jean-Francois Rolland, Groupe IBI-DAA

Category / Catégorie : Planning & Analysis / Planification et analyse

Four Seasons Hotel & Residences (Toronto)

Claude Cormier, Claude Cormier et Associés

Category / Catégorie : Design

The awards will be presented at a gala during the CSLA Congress to be held at the National Arts Centre in Ottawa on Saturday, May 31st, 2014. Hi-resolution images of winning projects are available upon request.

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The Canadian Society of Landscape Architects (CSLA) is the voice of landscape architecture in Canada. Landscape Architecture is a multi-disciplinary field dedicated to the design and integration of built and natural environments. CSLA represents more than 1,900 landscape architects through provincial and territorial associations and academic programs across the country. CSLA advocates for its members on issues such as urban renewal, sustainable development and cultural heritage.

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