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CALL FOR ENTRIES



NJASLA PROFESSIONAL DESIGN AWARDS 2020 CALL FOR ENTRIES

PROFESSIONAL AWARDS PROGRAM

The New Jersey Chapter of the American Society of Landscape Architects is pleased to issue a call for entries for the 2020 Professional Awards Program.

The awards program helps broaden professional boundaries, increase public awareness of the role of landscape architects, raise the standards of the discipline and bring recognition to organizations and individuals who demonstrate superior skill in the practice and/or study of landscape architecture.

A jury of qualified professionals will review each submittal and determine winners in each category. Award-winning projects will be featured in upcoming NJASLA newsletters, on our website, and in displays promoting the profession within the State.

We will honor award winners and showcase their projects at our conference in Atlantic City, February 9th through February 11th. The awards presentation will feature the winning images and emphasize the projects' program, design intent, challenges and final solutions. We hope to provide a more complete understanding of successful solutions to complex design problems and, thus, help us all become better landscape architects.



LEVELS OF RECOGNITION:

CHAPTER AWARD:

- ◆ Only one award may be given annually, for exceptional performance in any category, as determined by a unanimous vote of the jury members.

HONOR AWARD:

- ◆ A maximum of one award for every five entries may be given, in each category, for outstanding projects.

MERIT AWARD:

- ◆ Any number of awards may be given in each category to recognize excellent professional accomplishment.

GARDEN STATE AWARD:

- ◆ A maximum of one award in Entry Categories I-VI only; recognizing outstanding performance by independent NJ Landscape Architects and by NJ Firms. See Eligibility requirements for additional information.

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ELIGIBILITY FOR CHAPTER, HONOR & MERIT AWARDS:

Entrants must be full or associate members of ASLA. Submissions may be any one of the following:

- ◆ A landscape architecture project in the state of New Jersey and designed by an ASLA member.
- ◆ An out-of-state project designed by an out-of-state firm may be submitted only if the landscape architect with primary responsibility for the project is a NJASLA member.
- ◆ Any project designed by a New Jersey individual or New Jersey firm.
- ◆ Faculty member of a New Jersey landscape architecture program, submitting work associated with their academic pursuits.
- ◆ Full-time student in an accredited New Jersey landscape architecture program.

Team entries are encouraged. Please note, *it is the applicant's responsibility to credit ALL team members who have worked on the submitted projects. Applicant will be held responsible for any misrepresentation and will immediately be disregarded.*



ELIGIBILITY FOR GARDEN STATE AWARD:

To be eligible for the "Garden State Award", the nominee must be a New Jersey licensed landscape architecture firm of no more than five licensed landscape architects or employees. Additionally, the firm must be one of the following:

- ◆ A sole practitioner: A resident of the State of New Jersey with a bona fide New Jersey Office.
- ◆ A partnership: The landscape architect signing and sealing for the project being submitted must be a New Jersey resident with a bona fide New Jersey Office.
- ◆ If a professional service corporation established pursuant to the "Professional Service Corporation Act," the landscape architect signing and sealing for the project being submitted must be a New Jersey resident with a bona fide New Jersey Office.
- ◆ If an LLC or a corporation possessing a Certificate of Authorization to render landscape architecture services in the State of New Jersey, the landscape architect signing and sealing for the project being submitted must be a New Jersey resident with a bona fide New Jersey Office.



WINNING ENTRIES RECEIVE:

- ◆ A framed award certificate, presented at the NJASLA Annual Meeting.
- ◆ Recognition in the NJASLA Newsletter and website.
- ◆ Presentation of project slides at the Annual Meeting.
- ◆ Professional photographs of the award presentation.

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ENTRY CATEGORIES:

I. LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURAL DESIGN:

Recognition of built, site-specific works of landscape architectural design. For large, phased projects, at least the first stage must be completed and be representative of the entire project to be eligible for entry (see Category VII for Unbuilt Projects).

This category is divided into four separate groups:

A. Residential/Garden Design

B. Site Design

Commercial, institutional, housing, parks, recreation, and specialty landscapes such as zoos or arboreta.

C. Master Plans

Large scale projects with strong physical design component, such as housing, recreation or campus plans.

D. Planting Design

The submission should represent a significant portion of a site, where the overall project has not been submitted. It should exhibit creative application of planting design principles resulting in exceptional space(s) within the larger landscape.

The jury will consider the clarity of the design narrative, identification of the project challenges, quality of the design solution, the quality and impact of the graphic presentation, functionality, context, appropriateness to the site and design solution significance.



II. HISTORIC PRESERVATION / RESTORATION:

Recognizes outstanding projects focused on historic preservation and renovation of historic landscapes. These projects normally include in-depth exploration relative to the site, its historical significance, and the intent and function of the original design. Projects in this category must include completed restoration of the site in question and must be documented in the same manner as Landscape Architectural Design projects.

The jury will concentrate on the "authenticity" of the restoration and the research that led to the design solutions. Where compromises were made, the appropriateness and sophistication of the final solution will count heavily. The quality of the project in terms of historic preservation and/or interpretive renovation will be considered.



III. LANDSCAPE PLANNING AND ANALYSIS:

Recognition of the depth and breadth of professional practice with the process and research methodology that guides Landscape Architects in making planning and design decisions. Such projects normally include graphic as well as written components. Entrées may include: general development plans, transportation plans, recreation master plans, government environmental studies, environmental assessment/site suitability studies, visual and/or natural resource inventories or post construction evaluations.

The jury will base their evaluations on the clarity and completeness of the presentation of the process that lead to the solutions and recommendations; the value of the project in demonstrating the appropriate and expanding role of landscape architects in the Land Planning/Design Process.

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IV. LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURAL RESEARCH:

Recognition of scholarly pursuits which provide information that advances the body of knowledge for the profession.

The jury will base the evaluation on the clarity and focus of the study, the thoroughness of the methodology and the presentation of results that will have a significant impact on the practicing Profession.



V. LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURAL COMMUNICATION:

Rewards achievements in communication about the landscape architecture profession, both internally and to the general public. Includes written/published documents, graphic presentations and digital image presentations. Entries might include firm brochures; magazine articles; environmental educational materials; publications used to enhance the professional expertise of landscape architects; publications promoting visibility and the potential of the profession.

Jury will be guided by the professional quality and visual impact of the communication effort; the clarity of the message and its significance and importance to the public and/or the profession.



VI. ENVIRONMENTAL ENHANCEMENT AWARD:

This award recognizes significant environmental enhancement improvements achieved through community involvement, with the participation/leadership of landscape architects. Rewards efforts at the community, county or state level focused on grass roots participation.

The jury will evaluate the effectiveness of the leadership and guidance provided by the landscape architect, the significance of the project to the community, and the degree and nature of the community involvement in the project. Visual documentation of the significance and success of the project is of great importance.



VII. THE UNBUILT PROJECT:

Occasionally, significant design projects commissioned to a landscape architect are fully designed, but for some reason beyond the control of the designer, are never constructed. Such projects may be submitted (normally under Category I) for award consideration under this category.

Since there are no images of an unbuilt project, the jury will base its evaluation solely on the project description, drawings of the project and the explanation of the special circumstances. Detailed drawings are encouraged.



VIII. STUDENT ENTRIES:

Students from New Jersey, enrolled in an accredited landscape architecture program, may enter outstanding projects in landscape architecture related to design, graphics, analysis, research, or communication. Student entries require the support of a course instructor or department chair.

Student entry requirements are as follows:

- ◆ Accredited program may submit a total of 10 entries.
- Five (5) Undergraduate entries
- Five (5) Graduate entries

Note: These 10 Entries may include those students who have graduated within the past year.

Entries will be judged by the criteria for the appropriate category of the submission. Team efforts are encouraged. Limited to one entry per student.

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GENERAL ENTRY REQUIREMENTS:

- All entry submissions must include a completed entry form and a check in the amount shown on the application form. The form and check should be mailed to:

NJASLA 2020 Awards
414 River View Plaza,
Trenton, NJ 08611-3420

- All submission material, identified by the specific category requirements below, and a PDF format of the entry form should be combined into a single .ZIP file and Emailed to: 2020_Aw.mthkmcknt7z999au@u.box.com. You will receive a confirmation email from Box.com stating your file has been uploaded. If you do not receive an email within 30 minutes of uploading (be sure to check your spam), please email the Awards Chair.
- The .ZIP file should be named as follows: Firm Name_Project Title.zip.
- Hard copies of material will not be accepted.



RIGHTS TO IMAGES AND MATERIALS:

All materials submitted will become the property of the NJASLA and will be disposed of after a period of time. NJASLA reserves the right to use submitted materials to promote NJASLA and the profession in general. Any entrant wishing to have materials returned must make arrangements to retrieve the materials no later than the Annual Meeting in Atlantic City with the Awards Chair. If an entrant wishes to have materials returned to them, they must notify the Awards Chair no later than December 1, 2019.



SUBMISSION REQUIREMENTS FOR ALL CATEGORIES

No other items should be submitted, except where outlined below:

- **Entry Form:**

Completed entry form in PDF format

- **Project Narrative:**

The project narrative should include the design intent, challenges posed, and the successful design solution(s). The narrative must also describe the client, the size of the site and the project, the general location and context (surrounding area) of the site. Project Narrative should clearly state role of the Landscape Architect(s) for work submitted and why the project is award worthy. This description must not exceed 400 words on a single 8½" x 11" sheet with one-inch margins and 14-pt type. Entries exceeding one page will not be accepted.

- **Abbreviated Narrative:**

The abbreviated narrative will be used for all winning projects at the Annual Meeting. This description must not exceed 200 words on a single 8 ½" x 11" sheet with one-inch margins and 14-pt type. Entrants may provide any information they find most relevant to describe their winning design.

- **Site Plan:**

At least (1) site plan with image key in PDF format is required.

- **Power Point:**

Maximum 20 Power point slides, and a brief image description on each slide. Please label the power point with ONLY the project name. Please do not submit separate slide descriptions.

- **High-resolution Photo:**

One (1) 300dpi photo in .jpeg format. This photo will be used during the Annual Meeting and promotional materials for winning projects. Please label the photo with ONLY the project name.

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ADDITIONAL CATEGORY SPECIFIC REQUIREMENTS:

- ◆ **Historical Preservation:**

Please provide an original site plan in PDF format (if available).

- ◆ **Landscape Planning and Analysis; Landscape Architectural research; Landscape Architectural; Communication categories:**

If applicable, please provide a PDF version of any booklet, analysis document, or photo of document/article/display. Hardcopies will not be accepted.

It is the entrant's responsibility to conceal any information that may reveal their identity.

- ◆ **Student entries:**

A PDF letter of endorsement from a Landscape Architecture faculty member familiar with the project is required.



AWARD RECIPIENT NOTIFICATION & REQUIREMENTS:

- ◆ All entrants will receive notification on whether their project has received an award by November 22, 2019 via email.
- ◆ Award winners must submit release authorization for their materials and images as part of the completion of their acceptance of the award.
- ◆ Award recipients are required to attend the Awards Ceremony in February. Any conflicts should be discussed with the Awards Chair.
- ◆ Non-compliance with the requirements for award recipients may result in loss of the award.



CONTACT:

Please read these instructions carefully. Don't hesitate to contact the Awards Chair with questions. Contact Anne Marie Harrington at awards@njasla.org.

EMAIL DIGITAL ENTRIES COMPRESSED AS A .ZIP FORMAT TO: 2020_Aw.mthkmcknt7z999au@u.box.com.
SEND CHECKS AND ENTRY FORMS TO: NJASLA 2020 Awards, 414 River View Plaza, Trenton, N.J. 08611

DEADLINE: All entries must be received by (5:00 p.m.) on October 18, 2019.

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NJASLA AWARDS PROGRAM ENTRY FORM

PROJECT

A separate form is required for each project

Name of Project

Entry Category (see category descriptions)

Date Project Completed

Client's Name

Client's Address

Client's Phone

Client's Fax

Client's email Address

Project Location (street, city, state)

ENTRANT (Firm or LA submitting the project)

Entrant Name

Entrant Address

Entrant Phone

Entrant email Address

Entrant must meet Eligibility Requirements listed above

Entrant Printed Name

Entrant Signature

Date

LLA# / ASLA#

- Entry fee is \$75.00 for NJASLA members, \$150.00 for non-members and \$25.00 for students. **Make all checks payable to NJASLA.**

- Separate form and entry fee is required for each submission. Please type or print all information.

- See Call for Entries for categories and detailed submission requirements.

- Deliver completed form(s) and entry fee(s) to:

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