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**CELEBRATING LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE: CSLA AWARDS OF EXCELLENCE 2009**

**(WINNIPEG)** – The Canadian Society of Landscape Architects (CSLA) is pleased to announce that 25 projects located in Canada and the United States have won national and regional recognition in the prestigious 2009 CSLA Awards of Excellence in Landscape Architecture.

This year the CSLA Awards of Excellence jury, including Nelda Rodger, Editor of *Azure Design Magazine* and representatives from coast-to-coast, received 56 outstanding project submissions from landscape architects across Canada. Says CSLA President Cathy Sears,

*“The 2009 Awards of Excellence truly celebrate the vital role and influence of landscape architecture in Canada. This year’s entries reflect the rich diversity and remarkable talents of our profession, as well as the significant impact collectively, we as practitioners, educators and administrators have on our environments and quality of life. Through engagement, innovative planning and design processes and creative solutions these award winning projects are an inspiration and exciting evidence that we are indeed rising to the challenges of the 21<sup>st</sup> century. Congratulations to all the 2009 Award Recipients”.*

The **CSLA Awards of Excellence** recognize and encourage excellence in all aspects of the landscape architecture profession as well as promoting a strong awareness of landscape architecture among related professions, potential clients and the general public. The 2009 Awards of Excellence winners are:

**National Honour Awards**

- La consortium Daoust Lestage inc.
- Groupe Cardinal Hardy
- Field Operations
- Ekistics Planning and Design

**National Merit Awards**

- Centre for Landscape Research, University of Toronto
- Ontario Association of Landscape Architects
- Design Centre for Sustainability, University of British Columbia
- PWL Partnership Landscape Architects Ltd.
- space2place design inc.

West 8 + DTAH (du Toit Allsopp Hillier)

**National Citation Awards**

- CBCL Limited
- The Planning Partnership Limited
- Ville De Montréal - Direction des grands parcs et de la nature en ville

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#### Regional Honour Awards

- IBI Group/DAA
- George Dark, OALA, FCSLA, ASLA, Urban Strategies Inc.
- space2place design inc.

#### Regional Merit Awards

- LEES + Associates & Phillips Farevaag Smallerberg
- Janet Rosenberg + Associates (JRA)/Schollen & Company Inc.
- Ecoplans Limited
- PLANT Architect Inc.

#### Regional Citation Awards

- Schollen & Company INC.
- Phillips Farevaag Smallerberg Planning, Urban Design and Landscape Architecture
- Phillips Farevaag Smallerberg Planning, Urban Design and Landscape Architecture, Seattle
- Bev Sandalack and the EVDS Urban Lab, and Dillon Consulting Limited
- Hilderman Thomas Frank Cram Landscape Architecture and Planning

The attached backgrounder describes the work of the Awards of Excellence winners in more detail.

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## **BACKGROUND: THE 2009 CSLA AWARDS OF EXCELLENCE** **Landscape Architecture and the Canadian Society of Landscape Architects (CSLA)**

**Landscape architecture** is the profession concerned with analysis, design, planning, management and rehabilitation of the land. Landscape architects integrate and apply knowledge of ecology, socio-cultural factors, economics and aesthetics to create environments that are functional, innovative, appropriate and attractive.

Celebrating its 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary this year, the **Canadian Society of Landscape Architects (CSLA)** is the national association representing professional landscape architects. The CSLA promotes mutual recognition of exemplary accomplishments among its membership, and actively supports the advancement of education and research in Landscape Architecture as a service to the public and the profession. It provides an authoritative source of information concerning landscape architecture in Canada. The activities of the CSLA are supported by ten component organizations representing territory, provincial and regional groups of landscape architects across the country.

### **The 2009 CSLA Awards of Excellence**

The 2009 CSLA Awards of Excellence recognize and encourage excellence in all aspects of the landscape architecture profession. The Awards have three National and three Regional components.

### **NATIONAL AWARDS**

The four **National Honour Award** winners are:

- **Le consortium Daoust Lestage inc.** - Williams Asselin Ackaoui- Option Aménagement, Québec City, Québec for La Promenade Samuel-De Champlain
- **Groupe Cardinal Hardy**, Outremont's railroad yard, Montréal, Québec for Outremont Campus - Université de Montreal
- **Field Operations**, Toronto, Ontario for Lake Ontario Park Master Plan
- **Ekistics Planning and Design**, Halifax, Nova Scotia for Point Pleasant Park Comprehensive Plan

The six **National Merit Award** winners are:

- **Centre for Landscape Research, University of Toronto**, Lakeview, Mississauga, Ontario for Lakeview: Community Education and Landscape Politics
- **Ontario Association of Landscape Architects** for *Ground: Landscape Architect Quarterly*
- **Design Centre for Sustainability, University of British Columbia** for Green Infrastructure in Calgary's Mobility Corridors
- **PWL Partnership Landscape Architects Ltd.**, Vancouver, British Columbia for Southeast False Creek Waterfront - Phase 1
- **space2place design inc.**, Richmond, British Columbia for Garden City Play Environment
- **West 8 + DTAH (du Toit Allsopp Hillier)**, Toronto, Ontario for Spadina Wavedeck

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The three **National Citation Award** winners are:

- **CBCL Limited**, Sydney, Nova Scotia for Port to Port Corridor Study
- **The Planning Partnership Limited**, Houston, Texas for Urban Corridor Planning/City of Houston
- **Ville De Montréal - Direction des grands parcs et de la nature en ville**, Montréal, Québec for Square des Frères-Charon

## REGIONAL AWARDS

The three **Regional Honour Awards** winners are:

- **IBI Group/DAA**, Quebec City, Quebec for Renaturalization of the St-Charles River, Phases 3
- **George Dark, OALA, FCSLA, ASLA, Urban Strategies Inc.**, Ithaca, New York, USA for Cornell Master Plan for The Ithaca Campus
- **space2place design inc.**, Vancouver, British Columbia for Spirit Trail

The four **Regional Merit Awards** winners are:

- **LEES + Associates & Phillips Farevaag Smallemberg**, Vancouver, British Columbia for Mountain View Cemetery: Masonic Area Redevelopment
- **Janet Rosenberg + Associates (JRA)/Schollen & Company Inc.**, Toronto, Ontario for Franklin Children's Garden
- **Ecoplans Limited**, Toronto, Ontario for Ellis Avenue Stormwater Management Wetlands Organization
- **PLANT Architect Inc.**, Quebec City, Quebec for Boustrophedon Garden

The five **Regional Citation Awards** winners are:

- **Schollen & Company INC.**, Toronto, Ontario for Seaton Natural Heritage System Management Plan and Master Trails Plan
- **Phillips Farevaag Smallemberg Planning, Urban Design and Landscape Architecture**, Vancouver, British Columbia for Vancouver General Hospital (VGH) Energy Centre
- **Phillips Farevaag Smallemberg Planning, Urban Design and Landscape Architecture**, Seattle, Washington, USA for Safeco Insurance Roof Gardens
- **Bev Sandalack and the EVDS Urban Lab, and Dillon Consulting Limited**, Red Deer County, Alberta for Red Deer Country Open Space Master Plan
- **Hilderman Thomas Frank Cram Landscape Architecture and Planning**, Winnipeg, Manitoba for the Winnipeg Humane Society

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