



March 2009

1. CSLA to Monitor Agreement on International Trade (AIT) impact on LAs as of April 1st

The [Agreement on International Trade \(AIT\)](#) is an intergovernmental trade agreement signed by Canadian First Ministers that came into force in 1995. Its purpose is to reduce and eliminate, to the extent possible, barriers to the free movement of persons, goods, services, and investment within Canada and to establish an open, efficient, and stable domestic market. The requirement to honour full reciprocity of regulated, professional mobility takes effect April 1, 2009. In Canada, Landscape Architects are regulated only in Ontario and British Columbia. These two regulated provinces have had a reciprocity agreement since 1995, which assures easy mobility of Landscape Architects between Ontario and British Columbia. The CSLA/AAPC Board of Directors will be discussing the potential impact of the new AIT enforcement at their upcoming May 1/2 Board meeting in Vancouver.

2. CSLA Announces 2009 Awards of Excellence Winners

Fifty-six applied; 24 received CSLA Awards of Excellence. This year there was a strong response in terms of both the quality and quantity of submissions. Alan Tate, Chair of the Awards program says, "The scope, scale and complexity of submitted projects are impressive tributes to the skills and values of practitioners. "

This year's award winning submissions will be published in *Landscape / Paysages* magazine and the National Award presentation will take place during the CSLA Congress in Toronto from 13-15 August 2009. CSLA sent out media releases to over 1,400 outlets, to over 50 allied and affiliate organizations. Our Board member Dean Spearman attended the final reception and announcement

On behalf of 2009 Jury Members, the CSLA Board of Directors, and the CSLA Committee Leadership congratulations to all and we thank you for your continued support. A special thanks to our new Program Administrator Brandy O'Reilly.



2009 Awards of Excellence Jurors: Left to Right: Brandy O'Reilly, Ingrid Thiessen, John Quinn, Gordon Kraushaar, Nelda Rodger, Raquel Penalosa, Kelly McKinnon and Alan Tate



The winners are:

National Awards

National Honour Awards (4)

Project Name: La Promenade Samuel-De Champlain
Organization: La consortium Daoust Lestage inc. - Williams Asselin Ackaoui- Option Amenagement
Client: Commission de la capitale nationale du Québec
Location: Québec City, Québec
Category: Design

Project Name: Outremont Campus - Universite de Montreal
Organization: Groupe Cardinal Hardy
Client: Universite de Montreal
Location: Outremont's railroad yard, Montreal
Category: Planning and Analysis

Project Name: Lake Ontario Park Master Plan
Organization: Field Operations
Client: Waterfront Toronto
Location: Toronto, Ontario
Category: Planning and Analysis

Project Name: Point Pleasant Park Comprehensive Plan
Organization: Ekistics Planning and Design, NIPpaysage and HRM
Client: Halifax Regional Municipality
Location: Halifax, Nova Scotia
Category: Planning and Analysis

National Merit Awards (6)

Project Name: Lakeview: Community Education and Landscape Politics
Organization: Centre for Landscape Research, University of Toronto
Client: None-community service work - pro bono
Location: Lakeview, Mississauga, Ontario
Category: New Directions

Project Name: Ground: Landscape Architect Quarterly
Organization: Ontario Association of Landscape Architects
Client: Ontario Association of Landscape Architects
Location: n/a
Category: Communications



Project Name: Green Infrastructure in Calgary's Mobility Corridors
Organization: Design Centre for Sustainability, University of British Columbia
Client: City of Calgary
Location: Calgary, Alberta
Category: Research

Project Name: Southeast False Creek Waterfront - Phase 1
Organization: PWL Partnership Landscape Architects Ltd.
Client: SEFC Project Office - City of Vancouver
Location: Vancouver, British Columbia
Category: Design

Project Name: Garden City Play Environment
Organization: space2place design inc.
Client: City of Richmond
Location: Richmond, British Columbia
Category: Design

Project Name: Spadina Wavedeck
Organization: West 8 + DTAH (du Toit Allsopp Hillier)
Client: Waterfront Toronto
Location: Toronto, Ontario
Category: Design

National Citation Awards (3)

Project Name: Port to Port Corridor Study
Organization: CBCL Limited
Client: Cape Breton Regional Municipality
Location: Sydney, Nova Scotia
Category: Planning and Analysis

Project Name: Urban Corridor Planning/City of Houston
Organization: The Planning Partnership Limited
Client: City of Houston/Main Street Coalition
Location: Houston, Texas
Category: Planning and Analysis

Project Name: Square des Freres-Charon
Organization: Ville De Montréal - Direction des grands parcs et de la nature en ville
Client: Ville de Montréal
Location: Montréal, Québec
Category: New Directions



Regional Awards

Regional Honour Awards (3)

Project Name: Renaturalization of the St-Charles River, Phases 3 to 6
Organization: IBI Group/DAA
Client: Quebec City, Environment Department
Location: City of Quebec
Category: Design

Project Name: Cornell Master Plan for The Ithaca Campus
Organization: George Dark, OALA, FCSLA, ASLA, Urban Strategies Inc.
Client: Cornell University
Location: Ithaca, New York, USA
Category: Planning and Analysis

Project Name: Spirit Trail
Organization: space2place design inc
Client: City of North Vancouver
Location: City of North Vancouver, BC
Category: Planning and Analysis

Regional Merit Awards (5)

Project Name: Mountain View Cemetery: Masonic Area Redevelopment
Organization: LEES + Associates & Phillips Farevaag Smallenberg
Client: City of Vancouver
Location: Vancouver, BC
Category: Design

Project Name: Franklin Children's Garden
Organization: Janet Rosenberg + Associates (JRA)/Schollen & Company Inc./City of Toronto
Client: City of Toronto; Parks, Forestry and Recreation Division
Location: Toronto Islands
Category: Design

Project Name: Ellis Avenue Stormwater Management Wetlands
Organization: Ecoplans Limited
Client: City of Toronto
Location: Toronto, ON
Category: Landscape Management

Project Name: Boustrophedon Garden
Organization: PLANT Architect Inc.
Client: Societe du 400e anniversaire de Quebec
Location: Quebec City, Quebec
Category: Design



Project Name: Safeco Insurance Roof Gardens
Organization: Phillips Farevaag Smallemberg Planning, Urban Design and Landscape Architecture
Client: Genstar
Location: Seattle, Washington
Category: Design

Regional Citation Awards (4)

Project Name: Seaton Natural Heritage System Management Plan and Master Trails Plan
Organization: Schollen & Company INC.
Client: Ontario Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing
Location: Toronto, ON
Category: Planning and Analysis

Project Name: Vancouver General Hospital (VGH) Energy Centre
Organization: Phillips Farevaag Smallemberg Planning, Urban Design and Landscape Architecture
Client: Vancouver Coastal Health Authority
Location: Vancouver, BC
Category: Design

Project Name: Red Deer Country Open Space Master Plan
Organization: Bev Sandalack and the EVDS Urban Lab, and Dillon Consulting Limited
Client: Red Deer County
Location: Red Deer County, Alberta
Category: Planning and Analysis

Project Name: The Winnipeg Humane Society
Organization: Hilderman Thomas Frank Cram Landscape Architecture and Planning
Client: The Winnipeg Humane Society
Location: Winnipeg, MB
Category: Design

3. CSLA Recognition Awards Nominations Deadline: Extended to April 30th

Do you know a public agency or community group who have contributed significantly to environmental responsibility and deserve the CSLA **Community Service Award**? How about someone whose lifetime achievements and contributions to the profession have had a unique and lasting impact on the welfare of the public and the environment and deserves the CSLA **Lifetime Achievement Award**? Perhaps you know someone who has made a substantial and significant contribution to landscape architecture education who deserves the CSLA **Teaching Award**. Chances are you know someone who deserves to be recognized for their unselfish and devoted service to the CSLA at the national level over a period of not less than five years who deserves the **Schwabenbauer Award**. For information on how to nominate click visit the CSLA website.

4. What Can You Do to Celebrate World Landscape Architecture Month?

This is the second year that the world has the opportunity to get people to celebrate **April is World Landscape Architecture Month**. What will you do? We've put together a long list of activities and ideas for you. For a list of ideas for your game plan, visit the CSLA website.



5. CSLA College of Fellow Nominations Deadline is May 1st

Fellows of the Canadian Society of Landscape Architects are those who have been members for at least twelve years and are recognized by their peers as having made an outstanding contribution to the profession through excellence in one or more of the following:

- Executed works,
- Administrative professional work in public agencies,
- Professional university instruction,
- Professional writing,
- Service to the community or the public, or
- Direct service to the CSLA

The CSLA 2009 College of Fellows Nominations requirements are posted on the CSLA website. The deadline for submissions is May 1, 2009.

6. LACF Awards \$20,000 through 2009 Grants

The Landscape Architecture Canada Foundation (LACF) is pleased to announce the recipients of its 2009 Grants Program. This year, \$20,000 is being awarded to support the work of three professionals and one student. Commenting on the 2009 grants, LACF President, Cecelia Paine, FCSLA, stated, "The research, communication and scholarship resulting from this year's grants will make significant contributions to planning, design and management of landscapes that are sustainable and enhance environmental quality. In particular, they demonstrate the need to understand the influence of individuals, professionals and public policy in the shaping of our landscapes."

Professional Grants

Cynthia L. Girling, CSLA, Professor and Chair Landscape Architecture Program, School of Architecture and Landscape Architecture, University of British Columbia

"elementsDB: +20 Contemporary Open Spaces."

elementsDB is a database of field-measured components of urban development including parks, urban plazas, waterfronts, open spaces, streets, residential, commercial, civic and industrial sites that catalogues and compares good urban design examples. Under development since 1995, it has recently been converted to a web-based application. Currently open spaces are under-represented in the **elementsDB**. The LACF funding will assist with the addition of 20 CSLA award-winning public spaces crucial in the sustainable development of Canadian cities. In addition to giving planning, design and illustrative information, open space cases provide environmental performance indicators for such factors as rainwater management, impervious vs. pervious area and protected habitat. Soon to be launched as a broadly accessible web application for academic, professional and community reference in planning and urban design, **elementsDB** is a proven educational tool for public decision-making applications. As the database moves to its final stage of development collaborators and research partners will be able to nominate and add cases remotely.

Grant Awarded: \$9,000



Pierre Belanger, CSLA, Associate Professor, Faculty of Architecture, Landscape and Design, University of Toronto

"Landscapes Infrastructures: Emerging Paradigms, practices and technologies re-shaping the contemporary landscape."

The main intent of this project is to publish the proceedings of an international symposium on the emerging relationship between landscape and infrastructure that was held at the University of Toronto in October of 2008. Drawing from examples of major public works worldwide, prominent scholars and practitioners discuss how the recent emergence of landscape ecology is instigating a shift in the conventional engineering of infrastructure towards the integrated design and durability of regional systems of water, energy, transport, food and waste. The publication will achieve the following objectives: a) trace the historical relationship between landscape and infrastructure, b) elucidate the complexity of current ecological challenges and c) project global-regional economic shifts towards the reclamation of the discourse on infrastructure for the 21st century.

Grant Awarded: \$7,000

Alissa North, Assistant Professor, John H. Daniels Faculty of Architecture, Landscape and Design, University of Toronto

"Transforming Landscapes: Four generations of Established and Emerging Landscape Architecture Practices"

Gathering and exhibiting the exemplary work of four generations of established and emerging Canadian landscape architects will be an opportunity to publicly honour the 40 years of teaching that retiring University of Toronto Professor Ed Fife, FCSLA has had on the profession. Through a two week exhibit and one day symposium to be held at the John H. Daniels Faculty of Architecture, Landscape and Design, 230 College Street, U.of T. students, professionals and the public will be invited to view an exhibit that celebrates generations of Canadian landscape architects. LACF funding will assist with the collection, printing and mounting of the exhibit such that it could become a travelling or permanent exhibit for future generations of landscape architects.

Grant Awarded: \$2,500

Student Grant

Hope Gunn, Master's Candidate in Landscape Architecture, University of Manitoba

"Climate Change Mitigation Strategies"

The purpose of the proposed research is to assess the affects of sea level rise on the coastal landscapes of Prince Edward Island and to explore methods of adaptation through planning and design. The intent of the research is to provide communities of PEI with the information needed to increase their adaptive capacity and decrease their current vulnerability to sea level rise. The City of Summerside will be used as a case study to propose a method for assessing the vulnerability of individual properties, by combining the potential impact risk with the property's adaptive capacity into a single index variable. The resulting maps can be used to influence future development and planning projects within the community. This research project will address the role landscape architects could have when planning future projects within areas vulnerable to sea level rise. Adaptation strategies which are often categorized by either, protection, accommodation or retreat techniques will be examined, and protocols for when each should be applied will be recommended.

Grant Awarded: \$1,500



7. CSLA Executive Director Paulette Vinette's Early Days Report

Since becoming CSLA's Executive Director, Paulette Vinette has been getting out to meet our volunteer and staff leaders, and working to understand the needs of CSLA members at the national level. Paulette has already had two meetings with the Royal Architectural Institute of Canada (RAIC) and the Canadian Planning Institute (CPI) to identify opportunities to work together on joint initiatives. She has also had talks with Communities in Bloom and other allied organizations. Paulette met with Cecelia Paine (Landscape Architecture Canada Foundation) and James Taylor, CSLA's representative to IFLA (International Foundation of Landscape Architects). She also attended the OALA and AAPQ AGMs in March and has participated her third CSLA Board meeting in just four months. If you want to help Paulette, send her your thoughts and suggestions at paulette@csla.ca or call her at 1.866.781.9799.



Sylvie Godin receives LA Month Post Contest \$500 Prize: L/R Robert Murphy, AAPQ President, Paulette Vinette, CSLA Executive Director, Sylvie Godin, Myke Hodgins, CSLA Past President.

8. CSLA Board to Meet in Person in Vancouver May 1 and 2, 2009

The CSLA Board of Directors will be meeting together in Vancouver on May 1 and 2 for two full days of discussions. If you would like to propose an item for consideration for this agenda please send your information to CSLA Executive Director Paulette Vinette paulette@csla.ca and copy CSLA President cathy.sears@stantec.com.

9. Publications of Interest to Landscape Architects

CSLA has an inventory of publications members can purchase or in some cases, order at no charge.

Canadian Impressions/Impressions Canadiennes



Assembled by the Canadian Society of Landscape Architects in 2001, this 15 minute PowerPoint presentation includes approximately 70 projects from Newfoundland to British Columbia to the northern territories. Notes on associated firms and sub consultants can be found in the digital text notes. Canadian Impressions/Impressions canadiennes celebrates the built work of landscape architects across Canada and provides a comprehensive view of landscape architecture in Canada.



Changing the Face of Canada



Profiles of Landscape Architects (Volumes I and II): An in-depth presentation of the thoughts, ideas and project works of landscape architects in Canada.

Price

Volume I - \$24.95

Volume II - \$28.95

Volume I & II - \$50.00

To order publications contact the CSLA national office: paulette@csla.ca 1.866.781.9799

10. The CSLA National Annual Congress August 13 – 15 in Toronto will celebrate 75 years strong.

It's not too early to register for CSLA's 2009 Congress being hosted by OALA at the Sheraton Centre Hotel in Toronto August 13 – 15th. Our keynote speakers include Ken Smith, Visiting Lecturer at Harvard University Graduate School of Design and Mark Rios FAIA, FASLA Rios Clementi Hale Studios. Full program details, including a registration form, can be found on the CSLA website. Member registration fee is \$595; hotel rooms are \$195.

11. Members Speak – We Listen

The Winter Bulletin published in January 2009 contained an article about the Kippax Garden at the RBG. One of our members wrote to us stating “*I think it is important to recognize Martin Wade Landscape Architects who were the designers of the garden*”. We agree. If you have suggestions on how CSLA can improve the *CSLA Bulletin*, please write or call our Executive Director Paulette Vinette at 1.866.871.9799 paulette@csla.ca or write to a Board member – you can find their contact information on the CSLA website.

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