

## 2010 National Urban Design Awards unveiled

**OTTAWA June 8, 2010** – Architecture Canada | RAIC, the Canadian Institute of Planners, and the Canadian Society of Landscape Architects are pleased to announce the winners of the 2010 National Urban Design Awards in the following categories:

**Urban Architecture** - Manitoba Hydro Place (MB), Kuwabara Payne McKenna Blumberg Architects, Smith Carter Architects & Engineers, Transsolar Klima Engineering

**Civic Design Projects** - Waterloo Public Square (ON), GSP Group Inc.

**Urban Fragments** - Capital Health Centre (AB), Dub Architects Ltd.

**Community Improvement Project** - Ottawa Children's Garden (ON), Sustainable Living Ottawa East and the Community of Old Ottawa East

**Special Jury Award: Sustainable Development** - Tower Renewal Opportunities Book (ON), Graeme Stewart, E.R.A Architects Inc.

**Special Jury Award: Small or Medium Community Urban Design**- HRMbyDesign (NS) - The Downtown Halifax Plan, Heritage and Design Department, Halifax Regional Municipality

**Urban Design Plans:** Transformation of the Bonaventure Expressway at the Montreal Downtown Gateway (QC), Groupe Cardinal Hardy collaboration: Urban Soland – Paysages urbains Société du Havre de Montréal

**Student:** City\_Program: Hybrid Area (QC), Virginie Pontbriand, Anik Malderis and Alexandre Guilbeault, Université de Montréal

The following are recognized with **Certificates of Merit**:

### Urban Design Plans

The RiverWalk Master Plan (AB), Stantec Consulting Ltd.

### Urban Architecture

Royal Conservatory, TELUS Centre for Performance and Learning (ON) - Kuwabara Payne McKenna Blumberg Architects

Life Sciences Complex, McGill University (QC) - Diamond and Schmitt Architects, Provencher Roy + Associés Architectes, Architects in Joint Venture

### Civic Design Projects

Spadina WaveDeck (ON), WEST 8 + DTAH Joint Venture and Waterfront Toronto



"The National Urban Design Awards recognize that urban design /architecture impact every facet of society and enrich quality of life. This year's awards honour those who have risen to the challenge and contributed to the cultural fabric of cities." said **RAIC President Randy Dhar, FRAIC, CSLA, MCIP**. "We are proud to celebrate such a high calibre of award recipients and the range of communities recognizing excellence in urban design."

"The Canadian Institute of Planners is delighted to be a part of this year's National Urban Design Awards. Creating vibrant communities is at the core of what we do. Good urban design is essential; beautiful urban design is inspirational. Just look at this year's winners - congratulations to you all!" said **Marni Cappe MCIP, RPP, CIP President**.

"The 2010 National Urban Design Awards highlight the excellence that plays a vital role and enables the design community to build lively, safe and sustainable cities. Each project shows how dramatic changes to our public life and urban spaces enhance our lives," said **Linda Irvine, OALA, CSLA, ASLA, CSLA President**.

The RAIC, CIP and CSLA in cooperation with Canadian municipalities, promote public and private awareness of urban design through this Awards program established to recognize individuals, organizations, firms and projects that have contributed to the quality of life in our Canadian cities and their sustainability.

The National Urban Design Awards are part of a two-tier program held in co-operation with major metropolitan centres in Canada. Recipients are previous year's winners from participating municipalities, such as Toronto, Mississauga, Calgary, Edmonton, Vaughan and Ottawa as well as submissions from other communities in Canada.

The National Urban Design Awards will be presented at an award ceremony during the CoTo Conference to be held at the Design Exchange October 12, 2010 by the presidents of Architecture Canada, CIP and CSLA.

**Architecture Canada | RAIC** is a voluntary national association established in 1907. Representing close to 4200 architects, the RAIC is the leading national and international voice of architecture whose mission is:

- To affirm that architecture matters;
- To celebrate the richness and diversity of architecture in Canada; and
- To support architects in achieving excellence.

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**The Canadian Institute of Planners** is the national voice of Canada's urban planning profession. Since 1919, CIP has been dedicated to the advancement of responsible planning throughout Canada. In its capacity as the national professional institute and certification body for the planning profession, CIP addresses the issues of professional standards and public policy, both domestically and globally, related to planning and planning-related issues.

Since 1934 the **Canadian Society of Landscape Architects** has represented its members both nationally and internationally. The CSLA promotes mutual recognition of exemplary accomplishments among its membership, and actively supports the advancement of education and research in Landscape Architecture in the public interest. It provides an authoritative source of information concerning landscape architecture in Canada. The activities of the CSLA are supported by ten component associations representing ten provinces and the Northwest and Nunavut Territories.

Descriptions and downloadable images of the winning projects and firms responsible are available at [www.raic.org](http://www.raic.org).

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