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ASLA New York Announces 2016 Design Award Winners

On February 27th, an interdisciplinary jury comprised of landscape architects and allied professionals from the Southern California Chapter of the American Society of Landscape Architects (ASLA) convened to select winners of the 2016 ASLA New York Chapter Design Awards. Of the 55 award submissions, 18 projects received “Honor” or “Merit” designations. The awards will be presented at the ASLA-NY Design Awards Ceremony and Reception to be held on Thursday, April 7th, at the Center for Architecture in Manhattan.

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Plaza 33 by W Architecture and Landscape Architecture. The jury highlights the project’s temporary, yet “subtle intervention intended to subvert eternal autocentrism.” Credit: W Architecture and Landscape Architecture.

represented by this year’s award recipients is very inspiring as these projects will bring joy to those visiting these landscapes and awareness to our profession. I am thankful to the landscape architects who continue to work tirelessly creating such beautiful works of art.”

The winning projects included two Honor Awards in General Design, two in Analysis/Planning/Research and Communications and four in Residential Design.



Columbia Farm by LeBlanc Jones Landscape Architects. The jury highlights the project’s sensitive integration into the surrounding landscape. Credit: Jane Messinger.

The projects chosen represent excellence in professional accomplishment by ASLA New York members in five categories: General Design, Residential Design, Collaborative Design, Analysis/Planning/Research and Communications, and Un-Built Projects. This year’s jury responded favorably to the interesting collection of valuable ideas and research-based design solutions presented by award winners. ASLA-NY 2016 President Celine Armstrong notes, that “the body of work



Residential design projects swept the awards in 2016, the jury often highlighting the “exquisite marriage of architecture and landscape through thoughtful detailing and smart contrast of space and material.” Honor awards in Analysis and Planning, including the Underline Master Plan and the East River Esplanade Vision Plan were applauded for their historical research and thorough analysis of site.

Honor Awards include:

East River Esplanade Vision Plan, **Mathews Nielsen Landscape Architects, P.C.**

The Underline Master Plan, **James Corner Field Operations & Friends of the Underline Plaza 33, W Architecture & Landscape Architecture, LLC**

Erie Basin Park, **Weintraub Diaz Landscape Architecture**

Columbia Farm, **LeBlanc Jones Landscape Architects**

Surfside, **Edmund D. Hollander Landscape Architects**

Under the Wind, **Edmund D. Hollander Landscape Architects**

Residence on Christopher Street, **Sawyer | Berson Architecture and Landscape Architecture LLP**

Merit Awards include:

Guiyang Nanming Riverfront Cultural CBD Open Space Master Plan, **Thomas Balsley Associates & SOM**

The Giving Delta: Changing Course Design Competition, **Moffatt & Nichol, West 8, LSU-CSS**

Hunts Point Landing, **Mathews Nielsen Landscape Architecture P.C.**

Replacement of Hoboken’s 14th Street Viaduct, **Stantec Consulting**

Blake Hobbs Play-za, **SCAPE / Landscape Architecture PLLC**

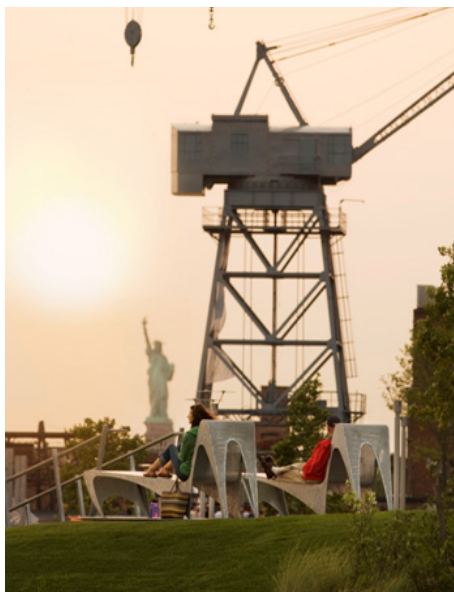
Philadelphia Navy Yards Central Green, **James Corner Field Operations**

Newark Riverfront Park, **Weintraub Diaz Landscape Architecture**

Butter Lane Residence, **LaGuardia Design Group Landscape Architects**

The Landmark Colony Landscape, Staten Island, NY, **Nancy Owens Studio**

Run On, Runoff: A Green Infrastructure Playground and Community Park at P.S. 111M, **SiteWorks Landscape Architect and the Trust for Public Land**



Erie Basin Park by Weintraub Diaz Landscape Architecture. The jury noted the strategic set of light-handed interventions used to improve the utility site. Credit: Weintraub Diaz Landscape Architecture

The award winners will be celebrated at a Ceremony and Reception sponsored by Victor Stanley at the Center for Architecture, 536 LaGuardia Place on April 7th at 6 pm. The award winning work will be exhibited at the Center for Architecture beginning April 1st. The exhibition, sponsored by Bartlett Tree Experts, will remain on display through April 30th. For more information go to aslany.org.

About the American Society of Landscape Architects, New York Chapter:

The American Society of Landscape Architects (ASLA) is the national professional association for landscape architects. Founded in 1899, the association represents over 15,000 members and features 49 professional chapters and 76 student chapters. The New York Chapter, founded in 1914, encompasses the five boroughs of New York City, Nassau and Suffolk counties on Long Island, and Westchester, Putnam, Dutchess, Orange and Rockland counties. The Society’s mission is to lead in the planning, design and care of both our natural and built environments. While keeping pace with the ever-changing forces of nature and technology, landscape architects increasingly have a profound impact on the way people live, work and play.

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