



Michigan ASLA

# 2023 PROFESSIONAL AWARDS

Call for Entries

Michigan ASLA is pleased to announce the call for entries for the 2023 Professional Awards is now open!

## DEADLINE + FEE

**Deadline: Thursday, June 29, 2023, 11:59pm**

**Entry fee: \$200**

**Entrants must request a link by 6pm on Tuesday, June 20, 2023 in order to upload their submission materials by the deadline.**

Refer to the following sections for entry requirements and instructions to request a link.

## RECOGNITION

Volunteers from a fellow chapter will serve as the 2023 Michigan ASLA Awards Jury. The jury may select one Honor Award and any number of Merit Awards in each category. Award recipients will be featured in MiSITES, the quarterly publication of Michigan ASLA, and will be honored at the awards ceremony during the Michigan ASLA Conference on Landscape Architecture on October 12, 2023.

## CATEGORIES AND GUIDELINES

### 1: General Design

General Design recognizes site-specific works of landscape architecture. Professional entries in this category must be built. Typical entries include: public, institutional, or private landscapes of all kinds; historic preservation, reclamation, conservation; stormwater management and sustainable design; design for transportation or infrastructure; landscape art or installation; interior landscape design; and more. The jury will consider the quality of design and execution, design context, environmental sensitivity and sustainability, and design value to the intended users and to the profession.

**Eligibility:** *The official entrant must be an Associate, Full, or International member of Michigan ASLA, or join Michigan ASLA in one of those categories prior to submission. The project must be located in the State of Michigan or the official entrant must have a Michigan-based firm or organization address.*

### 2: Planning and Analysis

Planning and Analysis recognizes the wide variety of professional activities that lead to, guide, and evaluate landscape architecture design. Entries in this category are not required to be built or implemented. Typical entries include: urban, suburban, rural, or regional planning efforts; development guidelines; transportation, town, or campus planning; environmental planning; cultural resource reports; natural resources protection; historic preservation and planning; and more. The jury will consider the quality of the analysis and planning effort; context; environmental sensitivity and sustainability; likelihood of successful implementation; contribution to social equity, and design value to the intended users and to the profession.

**Eligibility:** *The official entrant must be an Associate, Full, or International member of Michigan ASLA, or join Michigan ASLA in one of those categories prior to submission. The project must be located in the State of Michigan or the official entrant must have a Michigan-based firm or organization address.*

### 3: Research and Communication

Research and Communication recognizes achievements in communicating landscape architecture works, techniques, technologies, history, or theory. Typical entries include print media, film, video, and audio formats; online communications; interpretive design; exhibition design; and more. The jury will consider the effectiveness of the message presentation, the innovation in approach or delivery, contribution to social equity, and the value to the intended audience.

**Eligibility:** *This category is open to non-professionals, but the official entrant must be or join as an Affiliate, Associate, Full, or International member of Michigan ASLA. The project must be located in the State of Michigan or the official entrant must have a Michigan-based firm or organization address.*



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## 4: Legacy

The Legacy Award recognizes a distinguished landscape architecture project completed between 15 and 50 years ago that retains its original design integrity and contributes significantly to the public realm of the community in which it is located. Typical entries include parks, plazas, sculpture gardens, botanical gardens, river walks, and more. Public officials and agencies, civic and historic preservation organizations, and interested individuals and entities are encouraged to submit projects in this category. The jury will consider the project's sustained value, its contribution to social equity to the community it serves, and the continued relevance of the project's design expression.

**Eligibility:** *An official entrant in the Legacy category is not required to join Michigan ASLA to enter. The project must be located in the State of Michigan or the official entrant must have a Michigan-based firm or organization address.*

## REQUIREMENTS

— **Submission Link:** Email Awards Committee at [awards@michiganasla.org](mailto:awards@michiganasla.org) to request a link to upload the submission materials outlined below. Please provide project name(s) and category in the request.

**Entrants must request a link by Tuesday, June 20, 2023, 6:00pm.**

You will receive a link to a folder and a project number within 24 hours of the request.

— **Entry Form:** Complete the entry form or register online and upload to the submission link provided by MiASLA Awards Committee. The entry form should be saved as a PDF file named: *folder name\_entry form*.

**Ensure anonymity on all of the following materials and upload to the submission link by the submission deadline:**

— **Project Statement:** In 175 words or less, describe the project and why it's award-worthy. This statement may be used in promotional materials if the project is selected for an award. The project statement should be saved as a PDF file named *project number\_statement*.

— **Project Narrative:** Describe the project in 1275 words or less. The narrative should address the criteria for the submission category, and include project location, scope and size, site context and investigation, program, design or planning intent and philosophy, environmental impact and concerns, collaboration with stakeholders and other designers, and other significant issues. The narrative should be saved as a PDF file named: *project number\_narrative*

— **Images\*:** Include at least one site plan, one site analysis, plus 5 to 15 drawings and/or photographs for a total of 17 total images into a single PDF file not to exceed 10 MB and 17 pages. Drawings and photographs must be 8.5" x 11" format and landscape orientation. Brief captions on each image are encouraged. The PDF file shall be named *project number\_images*. Images are required for all categories. Winners will be required to submit high resolution images at a later date. **Entries in all four categories must include images in this format.**

— **Categories 2 and 3:** Upload one digital copy of the planning and analysis, research, or communications document to the submission link. Ensure anonymity throughout the document in both formats.

\* Entrants are responsible for clearing photographs with photographers for publication and reproduction by Michigan ASLA. Michigan ASLA will provide proper photography and other project credits when using photos, but will not assume responsibility for any copyrights or photography fees. Michigan ASLA retains the right to publish images submitted in winning entries in Michigan ASLA publications, website, and other media promoting Michigan ASLA and the profession.



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Entry Form

## CATEGORY

Check one:

- 1: General Design
- 2: Planning and Analysis
- 3: Research and Communication
- 4: Legacy

## ENTRANT INFORMATION

Name of Entrant:

Role in Project:

Company or Organization:

Phone:

Email:

## CLIENT INFORMATION

Company or Organization:

Name of Contact:

## PROJECT INFORMATION

Name of Project:

Project Location:

Project Consultant(s) and/or Contractor(s):

## ENTRY FEE

Payment by:            Check            Credit Card

Please make **checks** payable to **Michigan ASLA**. Mail with entry form to the MiASLA Office. Please also upload the entry form to the submission link.

Michigan ASLA Awards  
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Lansing, Michigan 48933

Questions? Contact the Awards Committee at  
[awards@michiganasla.org](mailto:awards@michiganasla.org)

To pay by **CREDIT CARD**, please call the  
Michigan ASLA Office: 517-485-4116.