

# Webinar

## 2013 Urban Open Space Awards Finalists

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00:00:05 --> 00:00:09: Urban Open space is increasingly the embodiment of our common

00:00:09 --> 00:00:10: urban fabric.

00:00:10 --> 00:00:12: In a world where over 75%

00:00:12 --> 00:00:16: of the population is projected to live in cities by

00:00:16 --> 00:00:17: 2050,

00:00:17 --> 00:00:21: the economic well being and the sustainable models of thriving

00:00:21 --> 00:00:26: communities worldwide will largely pivot on the interaction of these

00:00:26 --> 00:00:29: spaces with the communities they serve.

00:00:29 --> 00:00:34: The annual ULI. Urban Open Space Award celebrates and promotes

00:00:34 --> 00:00:39: vibrant successful urban open spaces by recognizing and honoring an

00:00:39 --> 00:00:44: outstanding example of a public destination that has enriched and

00:00:44 --> 00:00:50: revitalized its surrounding community. The five finalists for the 2013

00:00:50 --> 00:00:56: award demonstrate that actively transforming the urban environment can catalyze

00:00:56 --> 00:00:57: blocks,

00:00:57 --> 00:01:03: neighborhoods, even entire downtowns. These projects are far more than

00:01:03 --> 00:01:04: amenities.

00:01:04 --> 00:01:09: They are models of savvy urban and economic development.

00:01:09 --> 00:01:13: The 2013 finalists are Brooklyn Bridge Park,

00:01:13 --> 00:01:18: New York, NY, the Brooklyn Bridge Park engages 1.3 miles

00:01:18 --> 00:01:23: of Brooklyn's waterfront in a revitalization process with an array

00:01:23 --> 00:01:27: of open spaces that returns the area to public use

00:01:27 --> 00:01:33: reconnects the River with adjacent neighborhoods and generates a sustainable

00:01:33 --> 00:01:37: and self financed multi use civic space.

00:01:37 --> 00:01:41: Cumberland Park Nashville, TN. Cumberland Park as part of a

00:01:41 --> 00:01:46: phased masterplan that draws residents and visitors back to the

00:01:46 --> 00:01:48: River and downtown,

00:01:48 --> 00:01:52: this common spaces committed both to new generations and to

00:01:52 --> 00:01:53: sustainability.

00:01:53 --> 00:01:57: Through brownfield remediation, floodplain preservation,

00:01:57 --> 00:02:03: and interpretation of cultural and natural resources.

00:02:03 --> 00:02:06: The parks and waterfront had southeast False Creek,

00:02:06 --> 00:02:10: Vancouver, BC. Southeast False Creek.

00:02:10 --> 00:02:14: Located in a previously industrialized waterfront area,

00:02:14 --> 00:02:16: is the site of this project,

00:02:16 --> 00:02:20: exemplifying a new green infrastructure based approach to the public

00:02:20 --> 00:02:20: realm.

00:02:20 --> 00:02:26: Through the introduction of restored natural environments into a highly

00:02:26 --> 00:02:28: urban community.

00:02:28 --> 00:02:33: Wilmington Waterfront Park Wilmington CA Wilmington Waterfront Park creates a

00:02:33 --> 00:02:38: new public environment that mediates the relationship between the residential

00:02:38 --> 00:02:42: neighborhood of Wilmington and the intensely active port of Los

00:02:42 --> 00:02:47: Angeles. The new spaces mitigate the industrial impact of the

00:02:47 --> 00:02:51: port while providing a safe and accessible space that celebrates

00:02:51 --> 00:02:56: the vibrant community culture within a challenge neighborhood of Los

00:02:56 --> 00:03:01: Angeles. The yards park, Washington DC.

00:03:01 --> 00:03:06: The Yards park showcases how innovative partnerships can spark a

00:03:06 --> 00:03:11: regeneration that brings local communities and visitors to the Anacostia

00:03:11 --> 00:03:15: River while providing a transformative and vibrant public space that

00:03:15 --> 00:03:19: generates social, economic and ecological value.

00:03:19 --> 00:03:26: With far reaching repercussions. The 2013 ULI Urban Open Space

00:03:26 --> 00:03:27: Award,

**00:03:27 --> 00:03:30:** recognizing the creation of vibrant.  
**00:03:30 --> 00:03:33:** Urban open space whose vision for attractive,  
**00:03:33 --> 00:03:41:** functional and feasible gathering places is key to revitalizing  
our  
**00:03:41 --> 00:03:42:** cities.

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