GREEN INFRASTRUCTURE: A LANDSCAPE APPROACH

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Mia is the founding principal of the Los Angeles firm, Mia Lehrer + Associates. Born in San Salvador, El Salvador, Ms. Lehrer received her Masters of Landscape Architecture from the Graduate School of Design at Harvard University. Following her education Mia gained valuable experience by working on large-scale public projects such as the World Bank Coastal Zone Project in El Salvador, as well as intimate gardens for residential clients. Today she is internationally recognized for her progressive landscape designs – unique amalgamations of graphic configurations, found objects, architectural planters, and rich textures – and her advocacy for sustainable and people-friendly public space.

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Within a broad spectrum of interests, Ignacio specializes in the revitalization and enhancement of urban areas through open space and landscape interventions. As a landscape architect and urban designer, he has led many of the firm’s significant urban projects, including award-winning designs for Santa Monica’s Palisades Park and Beach Boardwalk, Liberty State Park in New Jersey, the Anacostia Waterfront Initiative in Washington, DC, and the Georgetown Waterfront Park, also in Washington, DC. Ignacio is currently leading the design for the Trinity River Corridor in Dallas, one of the largest green infrastructure projects in the country. He holds a Bachelor of Architecture from the University of Miami (FL), a Master of Landscape Architecture from the University of Pennsylvania, and a Loeb Fellowship in Environmental Studies from Harvard University.