ASLA Student Awards:
2020 Call for Entries

Eligibility:
The official entrant must be a Student, Student Affiliate, or first-year Associate member of ASLA or eligible to join as one of those categories to enter. Additionally, ASLA members who have returned to school and are eligible to enter the Student Awards, enrollment in an accredited full-time landscape architecture program is required. For information on membership qualifications, please visit here or call 1-888-999-ASLA.

Deadline and Entry Fees:
To activate your submission, applicants must first pay the required entry fee before proceeding to the next step of the submission process. Please note that submission to multiple categories requires a separate fee payment for each entry. Entry fee(s) must be received no later than 11:59 PST on Monday, May 4, 2020 for your application to be considered. Student Award submissions are due by 11:59 PST on Monday, May 11, 2020.

Categories and Guidelines:
Listed below are the (8) available categories you can select from and submit to. You can find out more information about the categories and guidelines here.

- General Design
- Residential Design
- Urban Design
- Analysis and Planning
- Research
- The Student Community Service Award
- Student Collaboration
- Student Award in Social Design

Selection and Announcements:
The Student Awards Jury will review all eligible submissions. Entrants will be notified of the results following the jury meetings. The awards will be announced to the media in coordination with special coverage in Landscape Architecture Magazine and on the ASLA website. Recipients will be honored at the awards presentation ceremony during the ASLA Conference on Landscape Architecture in Miami Beach, October 2-5, 2020. Ready to begin your submission? Click here!

Questions? Contact the ASLA Honors and Awards Coordinator at honorsawards@asla.org.

Our student members are the future leaders of the profession. Each month, we will recognize a student ASLA member for their exemplary efforts and service. This month, we reached out to Catherine Meersman, Student ASLA, University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign, Student Chapter President.

How are you celebrating World Landscape Architecture Month?
For World Landscape Architecture Month, I decided to buy two landscape books that I’ve been waiting to read. The first one is “The Death and Life of Great American Cities” by Jane Jacobs and the other is “Toward an Urban Ecology” by Kate Orff/SCAPE. I’m very excited to read them, and with Illinois’ stay at home order because of COVID-19, I’m hoping to find the time to get through them.

What advice would you give to other student members around the world during this tough time?
My advice to other student members during this time is to keep in touch with each other as much as possible. Talking with my classmates and professors helps keep things feeling normal. We talk on Zoom about studio, what’s going on with our lives, and what we’re doing to stay busy. We’re also planning a meet up once all of this is over! It’s nice to stay in touch.