

# 2021 Vermont Public Places Awards Overview

To recognize special public spaces, the corridors that connect them, or networks of public spaces which have been defined or enriched by planning or design, as well as regulations that promote positive, public uses and benefits.

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Vermont Urban & Community Forestry Program

## ENTRY FORM

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An entry form must be completed and submitted with the required entry fee per submission.

- Submission deadline is **May 7, 2021**.
- Electronic submissions should be sent by email to [gwen.kozlowski@uvm.edu](mailto:gwen.kozlowski@uvm.edu) (subject: Public Space Awards).
- Entry fee checks sent to VTASLA c/o Jim Donovan, PO Box 321, Charlotte, VT 05445.

## ELIGIBILITY

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This form must be completed and submitted with the required entry fee per submission. Projects must be located in Vermont and be accessible to the public. Submissions may range from mature projects in place and in use to conceptual studies, plans, regulations to encourage public space, connective corridors, and networks of public spaces, or other endeavors and incentives to create, preserve or enhance individual interior or exterior public space or linked open spaces in Vermont. Submissions may include, but are not limited to open space associated with:

*Historic Preservation*

*Community Planning*

*Recreation Planning & Design*

*Urban & Community Forestry*

*Green Infrastructure Planning*

*Public Interiors*

*Campus Planning & Design*

*Transportation Planning*

*Wildlife Management*

*Downtown and Village Center Plans*

Corridors should establish circuits linking as many local public areas or open spaces as possible, connecting community centers to surrounding countryside and, in the process, expanding opportunities for public recreation, and increasing the community value and ecosystem services of these public areas or open spaces. The selection of corridors should use advantageous topography whenever possible, whether ridge lines, river valleys, abandoned railroad lines, existing roads, or other appropriate natural or cultural features.

Projects should stimulate awareness about the benefits of creating public spaces, and/or linking downtowns and village centers or city neighborhoods with outlying natural areas devoted to conservation, working lands, and recreation.

Landscape Architects, Planners, Architects, Professional Engineers, Foresters, Municipal Officials, Individuals, Educational Institutions, Non-Profits, and Community Groups are all encouraged to make submissions.

## SUBMISSIONS

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Submissions must include a brief synopsis that outlines the design problem, community concern, local objective, or environmental issues, and how the space, corridor, plan, or solution addresses them. The form of the submissions is left to the entrant, but digital submission of photographs and/or drawings is required for all design projects.

- A combination of photographs and text is highly recommended.
- A maximum of 10 photographs and/or drawings which should be cleared for publication.
- Text should be limited to 2 pages.
- Maps or figures of the location and details.

## SCHEDULE

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- Submissions must reach the sponsors by **May 7, 2021**.
- Winners will be notified by **May 28, 2021** at the latest.
- Winning submissions will be displayed at future sponsor organizations' meetings. Awards will be presented during a special on-line ceremony the week of **June 7, 2021**, with certificates mailed to recipients afterwards.

## JURORS

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A mixed jury of from three to five prominent planners, landscape architects, and community and urban forestry representatives from the State of Vermont will review the entries.

## ENTRY SUBMITTAL FEES

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| Public Agencies, Community Groups, Students | \$ 25.00 |
| All Other Submissions                       | \$ 45.00 |

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## ENTRY SUBMISSION

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Entries should be submitted by email to [gwen.kozlowski@uvm.edu](mailto:gwen.kozlowski@uvm.edu). Checks should be sent by regular surface mail. Only once both email submission and physical check are received does a project become eligible for award consideration.

## FURTHER INFORMATION

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Questions about the 2021 Vermont Public Places awards can be e-mailed to Jim Donovan, [jdonovan@gmavt.net](mailto:jdonovan@gmavt.net) or Gwen Kozlowski [gwen.kozlowski@uvm.edu](mailto:gwen.kozlowski@uvm.edu).