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Green Roofs For Healthy Cities Awards of Excellence Winners Announced!

Annual awards feature roofs designed to be picked up and moved, and green walls that make it easier to breathe!

TORONTO, ON - Green Roofs for Healthy Cities is pleased to announce the winners the 2010 *Green Roof and Wall Awards of Excellence*.

Jeffrey L. Bruce, Chairman of Green Roofs for Healthy Cities announced the winners in the lead-up to *CitiesAlive: 8th Annual Green Roof and Wall Conference and Trade Show* (November 30 to December 3, 2010) in Vancouver, BC.

“Since 2003, the Awards of Excellence have defined the leading edge of innovation for green roofs,” said Mr. Bruce. “The class of 2010 demonstrates the universal acceptance of green roofs and walls as an important green infrastructure tool in North America with dozens of monumental, highly visible projects. With an exceptionally competitive program this year winners should be proud of their accomplishments in challenging the boundaries of the industry.”

The Awards will be presented *CitiesAlive: 8th Annual Green Roof and Wall Conference* at the Pan Pacific Vancouver Hotel in Vancouver, BC, Canada, on Thursday, December 2nd, at the Awards Luncheon. Visit www.greenroofs.org for more information about GRHC awards (including photos and background materials), conference and event registration and media accreditation.

2010 GREEN ROOFS FOR HEALTHY CITIES' AWARD WINNERS

Green Walls

Project: Camilla and Peter Dalglish Atrium, Royal Botanical Gardens, Burlington, Ontario

Award Recipient: Diamond and Schmitt Architects (Architect)

Thousands of visitors to the Royal Botanical Gardens are learning about what green walls are and how they work thanks to one visionary design team.

Green Roof - Intensive Industrial/Commercial

Project: 250 Hudson Street, New York, New York

Award Recipient: FXFOWLE Architects (Architect)

Part of a \$30 million retrofit, green roof designers used plants and flowers of different textures to create a relaxing 8,000-square foot rooftop space for tenants.



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Green Roof - Extensive Institutional

Project: Vancouver Convention Centre Expansion Project

Award Recipient: PWL Partnership Landscape Architects Inc. (Landscape Architects)

This green roof redefines Vancouver's waterfront: emulating nature, a sophisticated runoff system created an efficient and elegant stormwater solution.

Green Roof - Extensive Residential

Project: Mill Valley Hillside, Mill Valley, California

Award Recipient: McGlashan Architecture (Architect & Lead Green Roof Designer)

Sculpted into a hillside, this green roof helped create a thriving family compound that neighbors *and* nature can celebrate.

Green Roof - Intensive Institutional

Project: ASLA Headquarters Green Roof, Washington, District of Columbia

Award Recipient: Conservation Design Forum (Landscape Architecture Consultant & Green Roof Design)

Space for yoga classes and cocktail parties, stormwater manager, HVAC noise buffering, reduced energy demand, research facility and living classroom – there is no question that the ASLA's green roof delivers on its promise as a showcase of multiple benefits

Green Roof - Intensive Residential

Project: ASA Flats +Lofts, Portland, Oregon

Award Recipient: GGLO (Project Landscape Architect)

From veggie gardens to a fire pit, these green roofs cultivate people-friendly spaces throughout its elegant design

Green Roof - Extensive Industrial / Commercial

Project: ESRI Canada, Toronto, Ontario

Award Recipient: Scott Torrance Landscape Architect Inc. (Landscape Architect)

Neither a recession nor being a tenant stopped ESRI Canada from delivering on its commitment to environmental sustainability – with a design that provides an additional 7,575 square-feet of useable space without increasing ESRI Canada's rent – and the green roof can move with the company if need be!

Green Roof - Special Recognition

Project: Target Center, Minneapolis, Minnesota

Award Recipient: The Kestrel Design Group, Inc. (Green Roof Design), and Sika Sarnafil (Manufacturer – Roofing and Waterproofing systems)

From urban heat island reduction to stormwater manager and biodiversity booster, this project shows how vision and seeing the bigger picture can create a more sustainable city.



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DESIGN AWARD JUDGES:

Jeffery Bruce, FASLA, LEED, ASIC, GRP (Jeffery L. Bruce & Company); Michael F. Gibbons, FCSI, GRP, CCA, CCPR, GRP (Architectural Systems Inc.); Paul Kephart, M.Arch, GRP (Rana Creek); Monica Kuhn, B.E.S., B.Arch., O.A.A. GRP (Monica E. Kuhn, Architect Inc.); Randy Sharp BCSLA, FCSLA, ASLA, LEED® A.P., GRP (Sharp & Diamond Landscape Architecture, Inc.); Ed Snodgrass (Emory Knoll Farms); David Yocca FASLA, AICP, LEED AP (Conservation Design Forum)

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Green Roofs for Healthy Cities is presenting *CitiesAlive: 8th Annual Green Roof and Wall Conference*, in partnership with the British Columbia Institute of Technology (BCIT). This event will feature leading-edge designs, new technical performance research, advanced maintenance training, tours, and new economic and policy as well as Green Roof Professional training from November 30-December 3, 2010. See www.citiesalive.org for agenda details, media passes and registration information.

Please contact Damon van der Linde for information on media passes (dvanderlinde@greenroofs.org).

Green Roofs for Healthy Cities (GRHC) is a membership-based industry association developing the green (vegetative) roof and wall industry in North America. GRHC's mission is to increase the awareness of the economic, social and environmental benefits of green roofs and green walls, and other forms of living architecture through education, advocacy, professional development and celebrations of excellence. Visit www.greenroofs.org for more information.