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OALA 2011 CONFERENCE AND AGM

Registration is now open!

Visit www.oala.ca to register for the 2011 Conference and AGM, Friday March 25th, at the Bram & Bluma Appel Salon at the Toronto Reference Library.

The Conference: Competition & Collaboration

Collaboration is the synergy of two entities in producing an effort greater than the sum of their individual efforts. Competition implies domination by one over another. Where is the happy medium in practice today? How can we raise our profile given the changing professional landscape?

Geoffrey Cape, of Evergreen, sets the stage in his keynote address. Then Eha Naylor and Mark Reid, two of our own, lead lively sessions on Competition & Collaboration. Come and discuss, debate and share your views!

The Annual General Meeting (2:00-4:30 p.m.)

Be sure to attend the OALA's AGM. The agenda will include a presentation of the 2011 Budget, a review of the new 2011-2013 Strategic Plan, a proposal for Mandatory Continuing Education, as well as Council nominations and election. Come and vote or send your proxy. Please review the notice package recently sent in the mail.

Travelling to Toronto for the Conference and AGM?

OALA has arranged a group booking at the Toronto Marriott Bloor Yorkville Hotel. Rooms are limited so make your reservations immediately by calling 1-800-859-7180. Click [this link](#) for online reservations to receive the OALA rate of \$149.00 per night (usual rate of \$279.00).



2011 OALA SKI DAY SUCCESS!

The OALA hosted its 2011 Ski Day on Friday, February 11th at Craigeith Ski Club in Collingwood. The weather was crisp and beautiful, and fun was had by all. The fun race after lunch always elicits much excitement. We congratulate the winners of the different categories of racing, as follows: Women's Fastest: Amanda Berry (in 23.01 seconds), Men's Fastest: Steven Wimmer (in 17.83 seconds), and Match Your Time: Aina Budrevics (exact same time both runs!)

Thank you to all our sponsors, and everyone who came out to participate in the day. Ski Day is a wonderful way to help OALA support Landscape Architecture at both the University of Guelph and University of Toronto. A special thank you to our student volunteers, Danielle Angel (UofG) and Annie Idris (UofT), for all their help on the day of the event! All surplus proceeds from Ski Day go directly to student scholarships, endowment funds and to support lecture series.

OTHER OALA NEWS...

Green Infrastructure Ontario Coalition

OALA is becoming increasingly involved in the newly formed Green Infrastructure Ontario Coalition. This coalition is working to gain provincial recognition and support for living green infrastructure (urban forests, green roofs, living walls, natural storm water ponds, etc). Please see www.greeninfrastructureontario.org for information on goals and activities.

There are two items in particular where the coalition is asking for our participation:

1) Survey

Please complete a **quick on-line survey** to help gauge green infrastructure challenges and opportunities across Ontario. The coalition needs your input to learn what's working, what barriers you face, and what needs to change. The deadline for survey submissions is April 28th, 2011.

2) Consultative Workshops

Please attend one of six training/consultative workshops being held across the province between March 2nd and April 14th. Locations include Toronto, Peterborough, Cornwall, Cambridge, Thunder Bay and Windsor. The coalition needs your insight on green infrastructure opportunities and barriers as well as best practices. [Click here for details and to register](#)

Please join the Green Infrastructure Ontario Coalition. Collectively our voices will have a much greater impact.





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CANADA'S NATIONAL DESIGN EXPO AND CONFERENCE

OALA announces new partnership with IIDEX/NeoCon Canada in September in Toronto



OALA will promote to Canada's design and architecture community through their inaugural participation in IIDEX/NeoCon Canada on Thursday September 22 & Friday September 23 at the Direct Energy Centre in Toronto. This unique partnership is very fitting given the trend toward the integration of interior and exterior spaces and the increased collaboration of all building and design professionals on projects. Planning is underway to include an OALA display featuring award winning landscape architecture projects, educational sessions on landscape architecture as well as increased participation of industry suppliers in a Landscape Pavilion. IIDEX, now in its 27th year is presented by the Interior Designers of Canada and has grown to become Canada's National Design Expo & Conference. IIDEX annually attracts 350 exhibitors and 15,000 trade attendees in all areas of design - workplace, healthcare, hospitality, retail, residential, architecture, lighting, sustainable and landscape design from across Canada and the bordering states. For additional information, please contact Ronda Kellington, OALA, oalaadmin@oala.ca 416-231-4181.

Ontario Tire Stewardship Design Competition – Call for Volunteers



The Ontario Tire Stewardship (OTS), in conjunction with the Ontario Association of Landscape Architects is proud to host this year's inaugural student design competition in the area of landscape architecture.

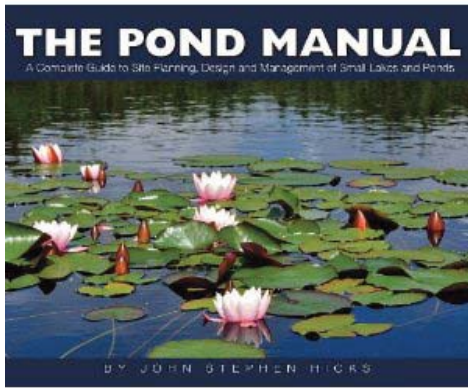
This competition aims to harness the creativity of students to demonstrate the sustainable performance of recycled rubber in a landscaping application. The winning design, as determined by an independent adjudication panel, will be realized on a high profile Ontario site.

Become a juror! Qualifications:

- Full Member of OALA.
- Ability to advise the competition secretariat on submission guidelines.
- Flexibility to participate on a jury panel for approx. 1 week during the Spring/Summer months.
- Assess submissions and determine winners based on their own judgment and expertise.
- Ability to analyze questions and answers that arise during the judging process.

If you are interested in giving your time as a juror for this design competition, please submit your name to the OALA office, care of Ronda Kellington, oalaadmin@oala.ca.

MEMBER NEWS



The Pond Manual: A Complete Guide to Site Planning, Design and Managing of Small Lakes and Ponds, written by OALA member **John Hicks**, will be published in May 2011 by Fitzhenry & Whiteside Limited, Publishers. John has spent much of his private and professional life around lake or pond environments, and this book is a comprehensive summary of his years of experience in pond and landscape management.

Brydges Landscape Architecture Inc. of Guelph has won provincial honours from the Landscape Ontario Horticultural Trades Association. The firm won three awards of excellence for Design in the Commercial and Private Residential Design Categories. The 2011 winners were announced in a ceremony in January in conjunction with Landscape Ontario's Congress 2011 in Toronto.

Bruce Cudmore, OALA, Principal of EDA Collaborative is pleased to announce that long time OALA member **Erik Mustonen** has recently joined the EDA Edmonton office. He has been involved in various project leadership roles on a wide range of community, waterfront and environmental planning, landscape urbanism, transportation, institutional, commercial, residential, parks and open space design projects in Southeast Asia, the Middle East, the United States and western Canada. Erik's technical expertise and professional experience will strengthen the overall depth and breadth of EDA's capabilities as applied to projects throughout Canada and to EDA's expanding practice in China.

IN OTHER NEWS...

LACF awards \$20,000 in grants for 2011

The Landscape Architecture Canada Foundation (LACF) has announced the recipients of its 2011 grants in support of research, communication and scholarship. Grant proposals were adjudicated by a national jury composed of five individuals representing the Atlantic, Quebec, Ontario, Prairie and British Columbia regions and practising in public, private and academic fields. For complete details of recipients visit the LACF Web site at www.lacf.ca

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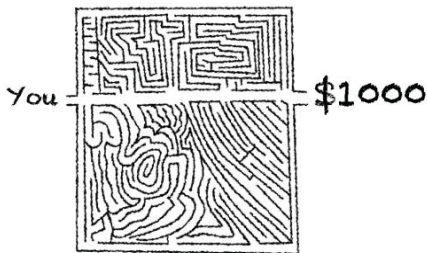


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World Landscape Architecture Month CSLA Poster Competition

CSLA has extended the World Landscape Architecture Month Poster Competition until March 18, 2011. The prize for the winning entry is \$1,000!

Please click [here](#) to view the announcement on the CSLA homepage. Complete details are provided via the link - check it out and enter!



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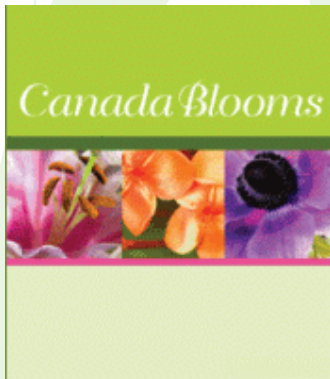
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COMING EVENTS...

Michael Hough/OALA Visiting Critic and Lecture: Elizabeth Meyer

The Daniels Faculty of Architecture, Landscape and Design at University of Toronto has announced Elizabeth Meyer as the 2010/11 Michael Hough/OALA Visiting Critic and Lecturer. The lecture takes place March 8 at 6:30 p.m., Daniels Faculty, 230 College Street, Toronto. Visit the OALA website for further details.



Canada Blooms Preview Cocktail Reception

Tuesday, March 15, 2011 6:30 - 9:30 p.m.

Direct Energy Centre, Exhibition Place, Toronto

Experience special guided tours of Canada Blooms' award winning gardens, Delight in a special salute to the 40th Anniversary of the JUNO Awards, Be the first to see the spectacle of Cirque du Soleil's Totem, Wine tasting courtesy of Vincor Canada, and participate in the live auction. Special musical performance by JUNO Award Winner Carolyn Dawn Johnson.

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Green Building Council 2011 National Symposium

The Canada Green Building Council is holding its 2011 National Symposium in Toronto, April 13 and 14. The CaGBC National Symposium will begin the conversation around Canada's existing building stock. Further information can be found on the OALA coming events page. [Click here.](#)