



2014 Mississauga Urban Design Awards

Jury Report

**Mississauga Urban Design Awards
2014 Poster**





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Dear Friends:

On behalf of all Members of Council, I am delighted to congratulate the winners of the 2014 Mississauga Urban Design Awards.

The award recipients represent the architectural diversity and innovation that make Mississauga a world-class city. Their work inspires us and helps give our city life. These talented designers, architects, developers and builders contribute to the uniqueness and character of Mississauga.

This year marks the first Healthy by Design award presented in partnership with the Region of Peel, Public Health Unit. As we grow, our focus is on designing healthy environments that create unique and memorable urban experiences. The new Healthy by Design award shows that we are committed to making sure citizens live in a beautiful, liveable city that is healthy by design.

Thank you to all the urban design professionals who submitted their work for this year's competition and to the jury members who contributed their time and expertise. Once again, congratulations to the award winners. Your brilliance is an inspiration to us all.

Sincerely,

HAZEL McCALLION, C.M., LL.D.

MAYOR

AWARDS AND JUDGING CRITERIA

AWARDS

Award of Excellence

This award is presented to projects that exemplify, as much as possible, the judging criteria and the City's design principles.

Award of Merit

This award is presented to projects that demonstrate excellence in one or more of the judging criteria and the City's design principles.

Award of 'Healthy by Design'

This award is presented to projects that exemplify, as much as possible, the six elements from the Healthy Development Index: *density, service proximity, land use mix, street connectivity, streetscape characteristics and parking.*

The number of awards issued is at the discretion of the Jury.

JUDGING CRITERIA

Significance: Citywide Scale

Contribution to the City design objectives as related to city image, visual identity, vistas, skyline, streetscapes, recognition of sites and location opportunities.

Significance: Community Scale

Contribution to the quality of the environment within a community which demonstrates a regard for the context of the locale, enhancing a sense of place, and personal health and safety, or reinforcing a unique history.

Living Green

Demonstrates an integrated approach to design which supports environmental and sustainable site and building practices, while providing benefits to the community and supporting active modes of transportation, walkability and green infrastructure.

Innovation

The degree of creative response to program requirements and site constraints, considering sustainable best practices, including LEED and Low Impact Development, with the ability to influence trends.

Context

The relationship or blending of built form and spaces with existing and planned development, and respect for and enhancement of the area's character.

Execution

- The quality of construction materials and the interpretation of design into reality.
- Supports Our Future Mississauga Strategic Plan
- Supports the City's Strategic Pillars for Change:
 - *Move* - Developing a transit-oriented city
 - *Belong* - Ensuring youth, older adults and new immigrants thrive, ensure accessibility
 - *Connect* - Completing our neighbourhoods
 - *Prosper* - Cultivating creative and innovative businesses
 - *Green* - Sustainability and environmental considerations

Healthy by Design

Contributes to the creation of walkable, sustainable and complete communities through demonstrating inter-related healthy development elements: density, service proximity, land use mix, street connectivity, streetscape characteristics and parking.



THE JURY



George McKibbin, MCIP, RPP, AICP CEP
Environmental Planner, McKibbin Wakefield Inc.

George is an environmental planner with over 40 years of professional experience in the public and private sectors. He is a member of the Canadian Institute of Planners and a Registered Professional Planner in Ontario. In addition to being a member of the American Institute of Certified Planners, he has an advanced accreditation as a Certified Environmental Planner. Presently he is an environmental planner with McKibbin Wakefield Inc. in Hamilton, Ontario.

George is also an adjunct professor in the School of Environmental Design and Rural Development in the Ontario Agricultural College, University of Guelph, where he assists in research.

He is also a sessional lecturer in the McMaster University/Mohawk College Bachelor of Technology Partnership where he teaches land use planning.

George's professional and research interests focus on healthy built environments and he serves presently on the Canadian Institute of Planner's Healthy Communities Committee which has produced a Healthy Communities Practice Guide, Fact Sheets summarizing public health research on active living, and a planning legislative, policy and administrative framework report comparing Provincial and Territorial planning frameworks and the opportunities and constraints these pose for delivering healthy built environments. He is an active volunteer and member on Clean Air Hamilton's Stakeholder Committee, an award winning grassroots effort tasked with improving Hamilton's air quality.



Robert Ng, OALA, CSLA, ASLA
NAK Design Strategies

Robert Ng is a founding partner of NAK Design Strategies in Toronto. For forty years his practice in landscape architecture, urban design, and environmental planning has contributed award-winning urban spaces to cities around the world. His leadership in sustainable design innovation is particularly evident in urban centres, with dozens of green roofs, sophisticated urban stormwater management systems and community horticulture projects.

He has repeatedly demonstrated his talent for innovative design solutions in public and private sector projects. His ingenuity and keen sense of design, along with his proven expertise in concept development and detailed design, have contributed significantly to the distinctiveness, memorability and timelessness of his projects.

Notable projects include: Regent Park Revitalization, Maple Leaf Square, the Gardiner Museum, 2015 Pan Am Games Village and Downtown Markham Centre.

THE JURY



Gayle Bursey, RD, B.A.Sc., M.E.S
Director of Chronic Disease and Injury Prevention,
Region of Peel, Health Services Department

Gayle Bursey is the Director of Chronic Disease and Injury Prevention at the Region of Peel Health Services Department. She leads a team of approximately 200 health professionals who provide programs to reduce chronic diseases and prevent injuries for over one million Region of Peel residents.

Gayle holds a Master's degree in Environmental Studies and a Bachelor of Applied Science. Gayle is also a Registered Dietitian and has recently completed a Fellowship on Policy Development with the Canadian Foundation for Healthcare Improvement.

Gayle has participated in several provincial Ministry of Health initiatives such as the development of the Public Health Standards, Cancer Care Ontario's Health Promotion Guidance Document and a Diabetes Prevention Project with the South Asian community. Gayle has also served as a member of Public Health Ontario's Strategic Planning Committee and currently Chair of the Pan Canadian Health Promotion Network. More recently, Gayle has lead research in the development of an Index to assess the health impact of the urban planning policy.



Robert Voigt, MCIP, RPP
Planner, Artist and Writer

Robert Voigt is a Registered Professional Planner (MCIP, RPP), Artist and Writer, specializing in healthy community design, citizen engagement; and, active transportation. He has been a practicing Planner for over 17 years in numerous governmental and private organizations in Canada and the US and is recognized for his innovative work by leading international experts. He is a dynamic and engaging communicator and is regularly invited to speak at conferences, conduct workshops, and publish articles.

Robert brings a design thinking approach to his work; a problem solving methodology founded in observation, storytelling, visual thinking, and experimentation. His pioneering use of social media use in the planning profession began almost a decade ago; and his animated paper craft videos for OPPI are the first of their kind and the first international collaboration work being featured by the award winning Art VULUPS project. They have also been translated into German and Spanish and featured in film festivals and university programs. He has also recently lead his team at Cambium Inc. to be the first in Ontario to integrate the use of drones for site analysis and low altitude aerial photography in their planning and design work.

Robert is the Chair of the OPPI Community Design Working Group; member of OPPI Planning Issues Strategy Group; Contributing Editor to the Ontario Planning Journal, member of PPS' Placemaking Leadership Council; writer for Urban Times and publishes CivicBlogger. He can be reached at rob@robvoigt.com on Twitter @robvoigt, or Google+ and LinkedIn.



THE JURY



Ed Sajecki, P.Eng., MCIP

Commissioner - Planning and Building, City of Mississauga

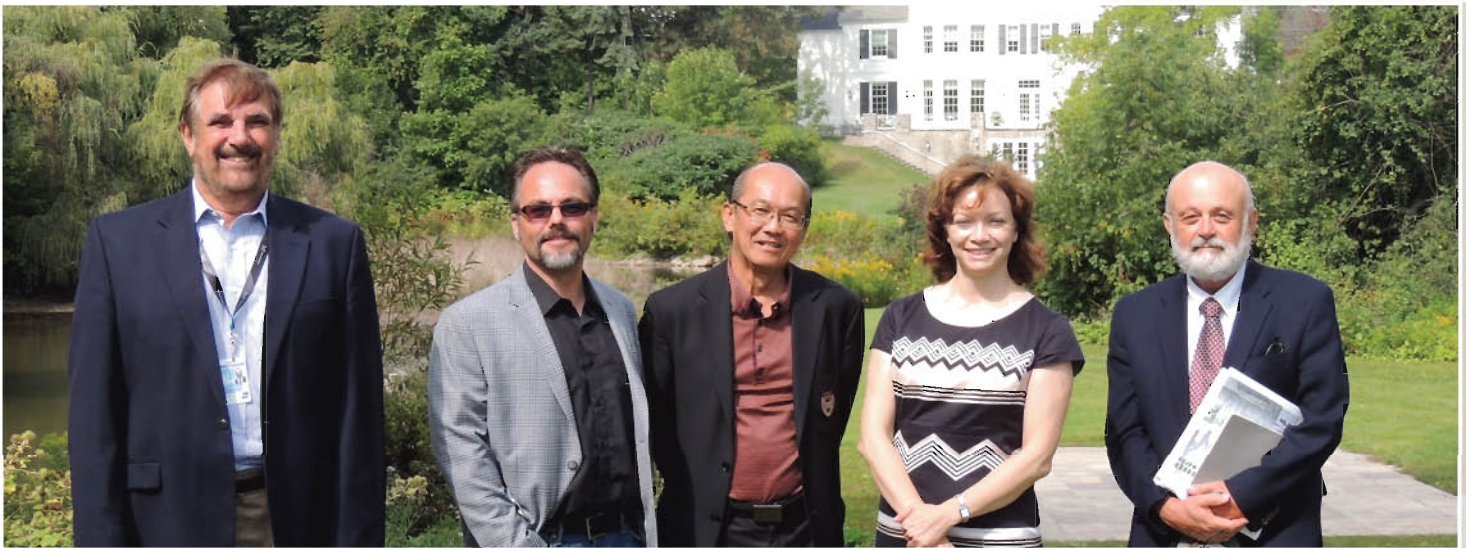
Ed Sajecki is the Commissioner of Planning and Building for the City of Mississauga, Canada's sixth largest city with a population of 741,000. Prior to joining Mississauga, he was Assistant Deputy Minister with the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing of the Province of Ontario, responsible for land use planning, building and housing. Before joining the Province, he was General Manager of Development and Infrastructure of the City of Burlington as well as Chief Executive Officer of the Burlington Economic Development Corporation.

Mr. Sajecki has wide ranging senior executive experience in urban planning, development and management with local governments, and was Commissioner of Planning and Economic Development for the former Cities of Etobicoke and York. He has also served as General Manager of Planning and Development for Eastern Canada for Canadian National Real Estate.

Mr. Sajecki is a civil engineer and professional planner. He has international experience related to local government in Asia, Africa, Eastern Europe and the Caribbean and has provided advice to governments on strategic planning and economic development. Mr. Sajecki holds a Bachelor of Applied Science (Civil Engineering) from the University of Toronto and a Master of Science (Urban Studies) from Salford University in England. He also completed the Executive Management Program at the School of Business of Queen's University. He is a member of the Board of Directors and a past president of the Association of Ontario Land Economists (AOLE), sits on the Governance Committee of the Urban Land Institute's Toronto District Council and is a past Board member of the Canadian Urban Institute (CUI).

2014 Mississauga Urban Design Awards HEALTHY BY DESIGN

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AWARD OF EXCELLENCE

AWARD OF 'Healthy by Design'

Sheridan College, Hazel McCallion Campus Phase 1



Location: 4180 Duke of York Boulevard

Owner: Sheridan College

Consultants: George Friedman Architect
Rounthwaite Dick & Hadley Architects Inc.
NAK Design Strategies

Project Description

Sheridan College, Hazel McCallion Campus Phase 1 occupies a highly prominent site in the Mississauga City Centre. The campus establishes a sense of place within the context and scale of the adjacent landmarks along Duke of York Boulevard; i.e., the Mississauga Civic Centre and the Living Arts Centre. The building program enriches the city by providing opportunities for youth, adults, and new immigrants to obtain higher education, creative development and future prosperity. It includes accommodation for the school of business, a community access and welcome centre, literacy and language program and corporate training facilities. It also includes a library, learning commons, general purpose classrooms, a lecture theatre, an administrative centre, study facilities and food services which are intended to serve the long term development of the Campus.

Jury Comments

The Hazel McCallion Campus is an example of a great building with great site context, a phenomenon which can serve as the catalyst for surrounding urban change. The pedestrian, the cyclist, and the transit user are all welcome here, demonstrating a truly urban and walkable identity for downtown Mississauga. The permeability of the building façade promotes a strong indoor/outdoor relationship, encouraging people to visually and physically explore the building from the sidewalk. Wayfinding within the site is enhanced by the geometric layering of pedestrian paths within the park, responding to clear desire lines between open spaces and building entrances. The project has also introduced the potential for Square One Drive to be a great public streetscape, with features such as flush curbs and planters which separate pedestrian and vehicular traffic. Other details like clever screening of the building's transformers and utilities demonstrate an excellence in urban design at all levels. This project earns both the Award of Excellence and the Healthy by Design Award.

Note: Robert Ng declared a conflict of interest and did not offer any opinion regarding this project.

AWARD OF 'Healthy by Design'

Hazelton Place



Location: 12891 Rio Court; 5100 Plantation Place;
2875, 2895, 2915 & 2935 Hazelton Place

Owner: Daniels LR Corporation
PSCP #934 and #948

Consultants: Graziani + Corazza Architect Inc.
Wilk Associates Landscape Architecture Ltd.

Project Description

The Hazelton Place community consists of 186 stacked and back-to-back stacked townhomes in the heart of the Erin Mills community. It is bounded by Hazelton Place to the south, Plantation Place to the east, and Rio Court to the north. The location has an access to public transit. It is also close to amenities within walking distance including a large commercial retail centre directly to the south and the Erin Mills Town Centre to the east. The townhomes have been oriented towards three large amenity areas, where resident homes front directly on the amenity areas providing attractive site lines and enhancing a sense of place and community. The three amenity areas are a signature feature of the development. They include a greenhouse and gardening plots for use by the residents adjacent to children amenity spaces. These key features have provided residents with opportunities for interaction and community building, while providing a sustainable resource. The amenity areas are further enhanced with play areas, a hardscape surface and seating areas for residents of all ages.

Jury Comments

This condominium townhouse development demonstrates great connectivity between buildings. Appropriately scaled communal open spaces between buildings provide a venue for social interaction and observation, with residential patios overlooking open spaces. The popularity of these spaces is demonstrated by the residents planting of a community garden with fruit trees and vegetables. In the words of jury members, "The development successfully achieves the first principles of urban design regarding the relationship between private and semi-private space. We knew that we were welcome in this place". The introduction of a naturalized children's play area, as well as planting to soften the paved laneways would add even greater value to this nicely scaled development. Overall it is a progressive example that can be used as a model to influence similar developments. Hazelton Place earns an award for 'Healthy by Design' for the connectivity, as well as the scale and integration of open spaces that promote social interaction.



AWARD OF MERIT for Community Scale and Innovation

GO Erindale Parking Structure, Terminal & Pedestrian Bridge



Location: 1320 Rathburn Road West
Owner: Metrolinx GO Transit

Consultants: IBI Group

Project Description

Erindale GO Station is located between Burnhamthorpe Road and Rathburn Road, close to the Mississauga downtown core and adjacent to a residential mid-rise community to the north and a commercial corridor to the east. This facility is a major transit hub interconnecting both Regional and Municipal transit systems to all communities throughout the Greater Toronto Area and the Golden Horseshoe.

It includes a six level above grade parking structure with a capacity of approximately 1,500 cars integrated within the building. The Station is encompassed by a series of public plazas and open spaces that provide safe pedestrian and bicycle circulation, enhanced with landscaped gardens, covered walkways and seating areas. The facility has been designed to, and achieved LEED Silver status.

Jury Comments

Set against the beautiful backdrop of Riverwood Park, the GO Erindale Parking Structure presents a new direction in the design of parking structures as visible contributors to city-building. Its well-lit glazed staircase and pedestrian bridge offer natural surveillance both within the site and from Burnhamthorpe Road. The new development leaves room for the rest of the site to adapt to the new structure through future phases of development and improved landscaping and circulation for the pedestrian and the cyclist. This project earns an award of merit as it sets a design standard for future similar developments to build upon.

AWARD OF MERIT
for Innovation and Long term Strategy

Holcim Waterfront Estate



Location: 2700 Lakeshore Road West
Owner: City of Mississauga

Consultants: ATA Architects Inc.
Baker Turner Inc.

Project Description

Holcim Waterfront Estate is located at 2700 Lakeshore Road West in south west Mississauga, along the shores of Lake Ontario. The overall park property is made up of many diverse landscape typologies including naturalized open spaces, woodlot, formal gardens and waterfront. The Harding House (formerly the Manor House) and the Coach House provide a focal point on the property. The project scope involved adaptive reuse of the estate buildings and associated landscape, to conference and banquet facilities and is the first phase in the overall parkland development. Its location on the shore of Lake Ontario provides valuable park land to the public, and with its successful rehabilitation, it provides a source of income to the City.

Jury Comments

Located on the shore of Lake Ontario, Holcim Estate is a well-preserved heritage property with excellent views and natural features. The City of Mississauga took a long term view in purchasing and restoring this stately property, seeing great potential for present and future uses which benefit the greater community. The site presents opportunities to create strong physical and visual connections to the waterfront with beautiful view corridors which terminate at the water. The project earns an Award of Merit for innovation and long term strategy for the City of Mississauga's foresight in recognizing the potential of restoring and endowing the property to the public ownership.



AWARD OF MERIT for Community Scale

Cooksville Four Corners



Location: 10 Dundas Street East

Owner: City of Mississauga

Consultants: Con-Ker Construction
Janet Rosenberg & Studio

Project Description

Cooksville Four Corners is located at the south east corner of Dundas Street and Hurontario Street. This historically significant crossroad was a focal point of early travel and commerce in Mississauga. It remains today, one of the City's busiest traffic intersections, and is one of the City's busiest bus terminal for transit users. The setting provides an enjoyable space to await the bus while those in less of a hurry can meet, chat on a bench, or find shelter from the sun, enjoy the trees, plantings, and architectural elements, and also learn about the local area history. The design draws from fabric tapestry, mosaic patterning and building blocks to weave together the cultural, historical and partnership significance of the place. This combination creates a vibrant contemporary landscape pattern. Colours and textures are combined to stand up to the surrounding built form and spaces while creating a cohesive and calming space within a very busy urban context.

Jury Comments

Cooksville Four Corners represents the first step in the reclamation of a public space for community benefit at one of the City's most vibrant intersections. The park's success is built upon creative use of landscape features which promote user engagement. The park is an effective, well-used space but could benefit from landscape buffering or other measures to provide opportunities for calm and quiet contemplation in the midst of a bustling intersection. The park presents a narrative of memorial and community improvement as a milestone in Mississauga's urban history. The project earns an Award of Merit for community scale in a changing context.

NOMINATIONS



1 GO Erindale Parking Structure, Terminal and Pedestrian Bridge

1320 Rathburn Road West



2 Russel Metals Head Office

6600 Financial Drive



3 Hazelton Place

2891 Rio Court; 5100 Plantation Place;
2875, 2895, 2915 & 2935 Hazelton Place



4 Holcim Waterfront Estate

2700 Lakeshore Road West



5 Cooksville Four Corners

10 Dundas Street East



**6 Sheridan College
Hazel McCallion Campus Phase 1**

4180 Duke of York Blvd.



7 Parkside Village

4065 Brickstone Mews, 4099 Brickstone Mews
and 4070 Confederation Parkway



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