

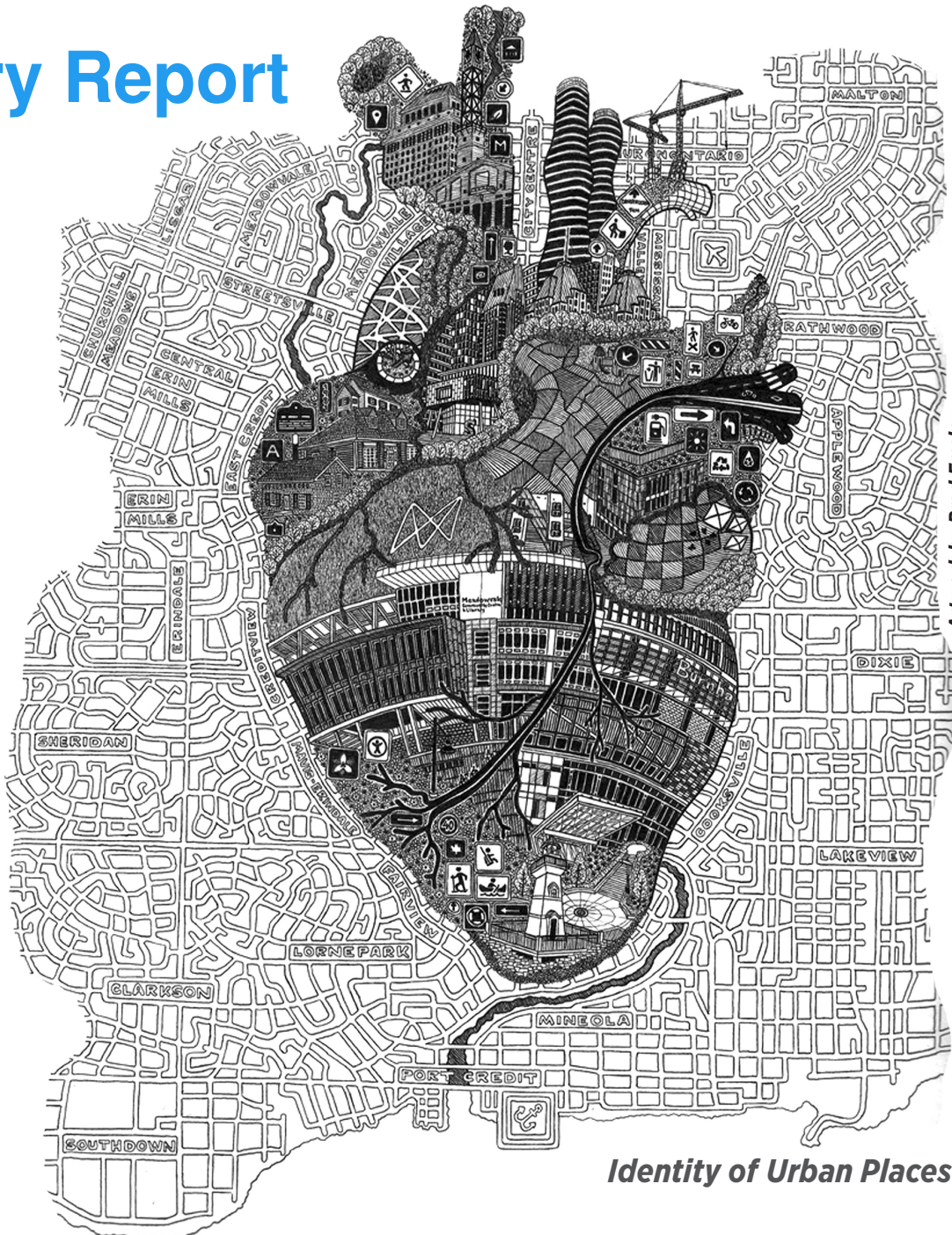


2021

Mississauga

Urban Design Awards

Jury Report



Artwork by Brad Emsley

Identity of Urban Places

Land Acknowledgement

We acknowledge the lands which constitute the present-day City of Mississauga as being part of the Treaty Lands and Traditional Territory of the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation, Haudenosaunee and the Huron-Wendat First Nation. We recognize the ancestors of these peoples as the inhabitants of these lands since time immemorial. The City of Mississauga is home to Peoples from all parts of the world.

About the artwork on the cover page:

Since Mississauga’s incorporation in 1974, it has grown from a green-field to one of Canada’s largest urban cities. This tremendous growth speaks to the community’s desire for sophistication in civic expression and for a unique identity through vibrant and enriching streetscapes.

As Mississauga continues to develop its unique identity, we can think of building a future heart of the city, a heart defined by the city’s spaces and places. Culture is everywhere: in urban design, food, art, heritage and daily living.

Mississauga’s evolving culture is expressed and enacted by its people; urban design looks to engage those people in the everyday. At the point of exchange – where urban design reflects the people, and people see themselves in urban design – beats the strong, cultural heart of the city.

Brad Emsley is an artist whose areas of study include social sustainability of cities and the urban, civic and collective identities of cities. This pen and pencil drawing was commissioned for the 2021 Mississauga Urban Design Awards by the City of Mississauga Public Art Program.

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Foreword

Mississauga is the sixth-largest city in Canada with a population of over 800,000 people and it employs 443,000 people. It is home to 76 of the top fortune 500 companies. In 1974, the Town of Mississauga amalgamated with Port Credit, Streetsville and portions of the Townships of Toronto and Trafalgar to form the City of Mississauga. Since then, it has been one of Canada's fastest-growing and most multiculturally diverse and economically successful cities.

The Mississauga Urban Design Awards is the longest-running municipal program of its kind in Ontario. The awards have encouraged and supported excellence and innovation in urban design since 1981. Our continuing commitment to these awards has undoubtedly improved the health, livability and vibrancy of Mississauga as we know it today.

The theme of this year's Mississauga Urban Design Awards is "Identity of Urban Places." It focuses on how places shape their own identity and how, in return, they affect our mental and physical health. We believe that design excellence is essential in shaping the identity of our places and raising the quality of life in our communities.

This year we continued our partnership with the Region of Peel, Public Health Unit to increase the awareness of how our environment shapes and impacts our health. A 'Healthy by Design' award category was

introduced in 2014 and presented in all subsequent years through this partnership.

We also worked closely with the City of Mississauga Culture Division, Heritage Planning and Public Art, who added great value to the urban design awards program.

I want to offer a special thanks to our 2021 Awards jury members. Jury members have lent their expertise and contributed their time to the awards program. Their discussions, comments, and decisions helped to bring a collaborative approach to assessing Urban Design.

I am pleased to note the number of projects that have been submitted this year. The award recipients represent the architectural diversity and innovation that make Mississauga a world-class city. Their work inspires us and helps ensure our City has a high standard of living.



Sharon Mittmann
Manager of Urban Design, City of Mississauga

Bonnie Crombie

Mayor of Mississauga

Dear Friends,

On behalf of the City of Mississauga and Members of Council, I would like to congratulate the winners of the 2021 Mississauga Urban Design Awards. In Mississauga, we understand that design excellence is essential to the quality of life of our residents.

Mississauga strives to create a sense of place, strong positive identity for each area and the city as a whole. It has grown from a collection of villages to Ontario's third-largest city and the sixth-largest in Canada. We now have an opportunity to build on our city's rich and successful legacy and harness it into an even brighter future.

The awards are a great opportunity to recognize the designers, architects, landscape architects, planners, builders, developers and owners who have played a vital role in our efforts to build a world-class city. These talented individuals have contributed to the unique identity and distinct character of Mississauga, and their work has helped enhance our neighbourhoods that support strong, connected and vibrant communities. This includes beautifully designed buildings, unique streetscape elements, public art, and preservation of heritage resources.

Thank you also to the Jury Members who offered their time and professional expertise



to help us recognize the best and the brightest. Once again, congratulations to all the award winners. Your dedication in helping shape our city into a great place to live, work and play is an inspiration to us all.

Warmest Regards,



Bonnie Crombie, MBA, IDC.D
Mayor, City of Mississauga

Types of 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, landuse mix, street connectivity, streetscape characteristics and parking.

Award Categories

Urban Elements

A standalone object, public art, small-scale building component or landscape element which contributes significantly to the quality of the public realm. This includes infill housing, additions, public art on public or private lands, street furniture, light fixtures, canopies, signage, walkways, stairways, or fences.

Private Projects

A building or group of buildings in all types and scales that achieve urban design excellence and is precedent setting for a project of its type.

Submissions should address how the project contributes to successful city-building through its contextual relationship, design quality and measures of sustainable and healthy design. Submissions may include residential, employment, commercial, mixed-use, heritage restoration and adaptive re-use buildings, parks, private open spaces, or plazas.

Public Projects

A building or group of buildings that serve the public and are accessible to the public. All building types and scales are eligible, including education, healthcare, recreation, cultural, civic buildings, heritage restoration and adaptive re-use buildings, bridges, parks, streetscape, public or private open spaces, plazas, landscaped areas, or stormwater facilities.

Note: The number of awards bestowed per category, if any, will be at the discretion of the jury. The jury also reserves the right to reallocate submissions into categories which they deem to be most appropriate.

Judging Criteria

Significance: Citywide Scale

Contribution to the City’s 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, 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 LID, 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 and have 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.

2021 Jury Members



Mitchell Hall

OAA, FRAIC
Partner, KPMB



Karen Ras

Councillor, Ward 2
City of Mississauga



William R. Hicks

B.E.S., B.Arch., MRAIC.,
OAA
Principal, Hicks Design
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Co-Lead Region of
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MLA, OALA, CSLA
Principal, PMA
Landscape Architects
Ltd.



Eric Turcotte

MCIP, RPP, OAA, OAQ,
MRAIC, LEED AP BO+ C
Partner, Urban
Strategies Inc.
President, Council for
Canadian Urbanism
(CanU)

2021 Mississauga Urban Design Awards Submissions

1. **Malton Sign**
3430 Derry Road East

2. **Gala Gateway & Gala Procession**
By Harley Valentine & Gabriel Fain
465 Burnhamthorpe Road West

3. **Lakeview Village Public Art Program**
800 Hydro Road

4. **Oak Park House**
99 Veronica Drive

5. **Hedge House**
915 North Service Road

6. **South House**
1079 East Avenue

7. **Pheasant Run Park Expansion**
4140 Pheasant Run

8. **Long Division, Bradley Museum**
By LeuWebb Projects
1620 Orr Road

9. **Pine Sanctuary, By Marc Fornes**
Riverwood Park Lane

10. **Streetsville Gatti Brothers House**
12 Theodore Drive

11. **The Spark, Small Arms Inspection Building**
By Nathan Whitford
1352 Lakeshore Road East

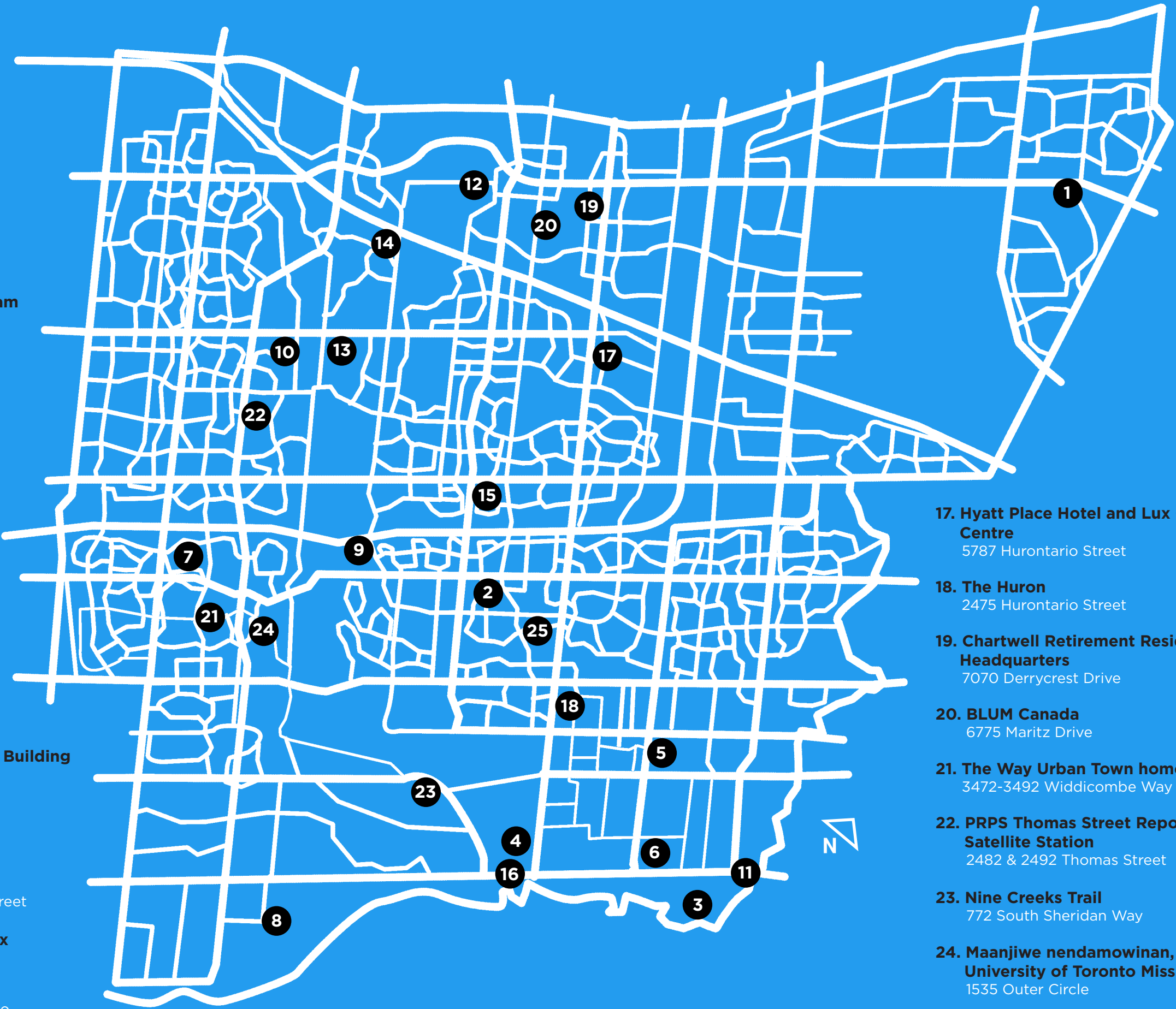
12. **Rotherglen Creative Spaces**
7059 Second Line West

13. **RTD Centre**
49 Queen Street South and 5 Ellen Street

14. **Anjuman-e-Fakhri Masjid Complex**
6635 Campobello Road

15. **MarqueeTown homes**
70-160 Little Creek Road & 5020-5060
Four Spring Avenue

16. **Waterside Executive Centre**
31 Lakeshore Road East



17. **Hyatt Place Hotel and Lux Convention Centre**
5787 Hurontario Street

18. **The Huron**
2475 Hurontario Street

19. **Chartwell Retirement Residences Headquarters**
7070 Derrycrest Drive

20. **BLUM Canada**
6775 Maritz Drive

21. **The Way Urban Town homes**
3472-3492 Widdicombe Way

22. **PRPS Thomas Street Reporting Station & Satellite Station**
2482 & 2492 Thomas Street

23. **Nine Creeks Trail**
772 South Sheridan Way

24. **Maanjiwe nendamowinan, University of Toronto Mississauga**
1535 Outer Circle

25. **Cooksville GO Station & Parking Structure**
3210 Hurontario Street

Award of Excellence

Urban Elements

Lakeview Village Public Art Program 800 Hydro Road

Project Description

Lakeview Village Public Art Program aimed to create an innovative placemaking and public art experience to foster community pride, and establish a sense of place and belonging. It delivered \$100,000+ in paid work opportunities for 19 local artists during a pandemic. Each art piece represents the site’s history, Indigenous heritage, and the project’s core values of connection to water, nature, community building, and the arts.

Jury Comments

This is a wonderful public art initiative. Located along a multi-use trail, intended to promote the future use of the site. Working with an Indigenous artist and other local artists makes the programming of this art installation unique. Instead of a series of posters covering construction hoarding, the integrated art installation contributes to the vibrancy of the public realm. The installation has provided colour and hope during the pandemic and turned into a major tourist attraction. This is an excellent example of how to animate construction hoarding on development projects throughout the rest of the City.

Project Owner:
Lakeview Community
Partners Limited

Landscape Architect:
NAK Design Strategies

Arts organization:
Artscape

Award of Excellence

Urban Elements



Photo Credit: Michael Halavonja

Award of Excellence

Private Projects

Waterside Executive Centre
31 Lakeshore Road East

Project Description

This project was a unique design undertaken by converting the 1931 Canada Post building into a new contemporary facility that includes two levels of underground parking and three levels of new office. The design resulted into the juxtaposition of a heritage post-office building in contrast with a new proposed all-glass office structure.

Jury Comments

This is an active centre with terraces on the other side that overlook the marina. The project takes advantage of all aspect in relationship to context. By keeping the old post-office building for office use and combining a restaurant on the ground level adjacent to the marina, it makes an interesting community space that is well used. It also blends the private realm with public space in a creative, seamless way.

Project Owner:
Centre City Capital Ltd.

Architect:
Adamson Associates
Architects

Landscape Architect:
Baker Turner Inc.

Award of Excellence

Private Projects



Photo Credit: City of Mississauga

Award of Merit

Urban Elements

Oak Park House
99 Veronica Drive

Project Description

The essential design idea for this project was to blend the structure into the natural surroundings and to preserve the green infrastructure of the area. The main goal of the designer was to preserve the existing 250-year old Oak trees on the site. The architect designed the new house using the footprint of the existing structure around the Oaks. Excavation for the new house was done in a precise way, making sure that the roots of the trees were not damaged. The material choice was designed and constructed in an organic manner to mimic the innate nature.

Jury Comments

Carefully nestled in among very old and significant oak trees, this house in the Mineola neighbourhood was designed to be sensitive to context of its surroundings. A tremendous effort was made by the owner to design the entire house around the existing trees without removing any of them. The foundation was hand dug to ensure all the trees on the site were not impacted. This is a good example of sensitive low density infill development.

This project has received the Award of Merit for Living Green, Context & Community Scale.

Project Owner:
Irene Gankevitch

Architect:
Richard Mann

Arborist:
Stephen Shelton

Award of Merit

Urban Elements



Photo Credit: Philip Castleton

Award of Merit

Urban Elements

Pine Sanctuary
Riverwood Park Lane

Project Description

Pine Sanctuary is a “placemaker” for Riverwood Conservancy in Mississauga, a signal for the entrance to the park, and a unique spatial experience for visitors to enter and enjoy. Pine Sanctuary was made using hundreds to thousands of custom designed and digitally fabricated parts, cut from ultrathin aluminum, and accumulating to create the curvilinear form of the piece.

Jury Comments

This piece of public art is a marker when entering Riverwood Park. There is a certain whimsical cartoon characteristic about the piece. Looking up from the middle of the sculpture it is like looking up through the pine boughs in the forest. The craftsmanship is very well executed and there is a play of colour with different dimensions. This piece has become a community icon and offers a memorable place-making opportunity.

This project has received the Award of Merit for Innovation, Context & Execution.

Project Owner:
City of Mississauga

Professional Artist:
Marc Fornes /
Theverymany

Award of Merit

Urban Elements



Photo Credit: NAARO

Award of Merit

Urban Elements

The Spark
Small Arms Inspection Building
1352 Lakeshore Road East

Project Description

The Spark was a temporary public art project, designed to reflect the historic nature of the Small Arms Inspection Building. It served as a reminder of the building’s explosive past as a munitions factory and firearms inspection facility through the Second World War, and as a symbol of the building’s new creative purpose as an arts centre.

Jury Comments

The Spark provided a landmark for this artistic hub; a creative building that plays a special role in the community. The intent of The Spark light installation was to highlight the hub as a beacon in the community. The design was relevant to the history of the building and gave the illusion of something exploding from the building. It was ‘tongue in cheek’, as if at the corner, the roof blew out. The idea of a temporary installation is commendable and allows for other future art installations. This area is in transition towards becoming a cool, hip, artisanal area of the city that is just naturally drawing people towards it.

This project has received the Award of Merit for Community Scale, Innovation, Context & Execution.

Project Owner:
City of Mississauga

Professional Artist:
Nathan Whitford / Urban Visuals

Award of Merit

Urban Elements



Photo Credit: Nathan Whitford

Award of Merit

Private Projects

Award of Healthy by Design

The Huron
2475 Hurontario Street

Project Description

The Huron is a six-storey, eighty-unit residential rental building located alongside an existing 13-storey apartment building on an evolving stretch of Hurontario Street in the Cooksville neighbourhood. The project was made possible by the arrival of the Hurontario LRT, facilitating the reduction of surface parking to create a new urban community, rooted in the principles of play, mobility, and placemaking.

Jury Comments

This project is an excellent example of infill development using existing space amongst other higher density developments. This six-storey development has incorporated planters, bicycles, permeable paving and many other details. The site creates a series of integrated spaces to walk and play. From a public health perspective, the pathways promote physical activity for the residents and align with an efficient parking program, streetscaping characteristic, connectivity and utilizing land uses to mix themes with the different buildings around it.

This project has received the Award of Merit for Community Scale & Execution.

Project Owner:
Starlight Property Group Holdings Ltd.

Architect:
Architecture Unfolded Inc.

Landscape Architect:
Baker Turner Inc.

Award of Merit

Private Projects

Award of Healthy by Design



Photo Credit: Emre Iscen (GRYD Digital Media Ltd.)

Award of Merit

Private Projects

Chartwell Retirement Residences Headquarters

7070 Derrycrest Drive

Project Description

Chartwell Retirement Residences sought to create a new head office that would inspire and engage their team within an environment that supports employee health and wellness. The site lies in context with low-rise buildings and backs in to Fletcher's Creek and Derrydale Golf Course.

Jury Comments

Located in a Corporate Centre Employment area, this development adds character to the area by integrating the scale of the building with the light and the patterning along with the streetscape. There is a sense of entry that is inviting. This development sets the stage for future similar buildings in this context. The office building is not just another box placed on the site but well-designed with its many plane changes and interesting materiality. The office building is elevated, which give the employees a wonderful view over the nearby golf course and the surroundings. This development sets a good precedent for innovative design and green development features.

This project has received the Award of Merit for Innovation, Context, Citywide Scale & Execution.

Award of Merit

Private Projects

Project Owner:
Chartwell Master Care LP

Architect:
Sweeny&Co Architects
Inc.

Landscape Architect:
NAK Design Strategies



Photo Credit: Michael Muraz

Award of Merit

Private Projects

Blum Canada
6775 Maritz Drive

Project Description

Sited at the frontier of Derry West’s farmland developments, Blum demonstrates that an industrial distribution centre can still be a good neighbour to the environment and the citizenry. Large triangular windows open Blum’s facade to the streets, playful geometry offers unique sight-lines, and bright colours charm the eye, attracting pedestrians and inspiring young designers.

Jury Comments

This project represents an architecturally unique approach to the design of an automated warehouse. For a building that is so highly automated, it camouflages some of its function fairly well. This is an excellent example of how the architecture on the outside can be enhanced despite the internal functions of the building.

This project has received the Award of Merit for Innovation & Context.

Project Owner:
Blum Canada Limited

Architect:
ADG

Landscape Architect:
Landscape Planning Ltd.

Award of Merit

Private Projects



Photo Credit: Liam Hawes

Award of Merit

Public Projects

Award of Healthy by Design

Nine Creeks Trail P-534
772 South Sheridan Way

Project Description

The Nine Creeks Trail is a joint effort between the City of Mississauga and the Region of Peel in conjunction with Hydro One Networks Inc. As part of the Region’s Active Transportation Network and the City’s Cycling Master Plan, this 8.5km trail through the Lakeshore Royal Windsor Hydro Corridor provides active recreational opportunities, and commuter connections.

Jury Comments

Integrated into a Hydro corridor, this walkway creates a sense of place and has transformed the neighbourhood. Painted rocks and little birdhouses that have been crafted by the neighbourhood to create an entry feature. While it is a simple walkway, there’s always something to see whether it’s the bridges or some curvature. It is also an excellent location to see wildlife in the area. The walkway has been an incredible addition to the community. It serves as a canvas for things to continue to evolve in the future. The community and surrounding area have embraced the space and it has been well-used during the pandemic.

This project has received the Award of Merit for Citywide Scale & Community Scale.

Project Owner:
City of Mississauga

Landscape Architect:
Harrington McAvan Ltd.

Award of Merit

Public Projects

Award of Healthy by Design



Photo Credit: April Szeto

Award of Merit

Public Projects

Maanjiwe nendamowinan
University of Toronto Mississauga
1535 Outer Circle

Project Description

Maanjiwe nendamowinan transforms the campus and its culture by completing the ring of public space encircling the campus green. From across the green, the architecture expresses the coming together of influences and the theatre of campus life.

Jury Comments

This is a beautiful building, which is well integrated into the internal public realm of the University of Toronto Mississauga campus. The way it faces both the road and the commons in the centre, with a transparent middle section, is inviting in terms of bringing people into the building. The change from the textured precast to the smooth precast building material gives the illusion of an angled wall at first until one gets up to it and realize it's still a flat wall. The building features an excellent example of a green roof. The landscape is well executed and there is a diversity of planting, which includes the use of the Carolinian (native) species.

This project has received the Award of Merit for Context, Community Scale & Innovation.

Project Owner:
University of Toronto
Mississauga

Architect:
Perkins&Will

Landscape Architect:
Fleisher Ridout
Partnership

Award of Merit

Public Projects



Photo Credit: Lisa Logan Photography

People's Choice Award

Concurrent to the Urban Design Awards program, we host an online People's Choice Award component to further engage the public and to gauge which project people prefer. Photographs, addresses and details of all submissions to the 2021 Mississauga Urban Design Awards were posted on the voting platform. From June 11 through to August 31, all residents of Mississauga were invited to vote for their favourite developments within the three award categories.

The winners of the 2021 People's Choice Award are:

People's Choice Award

Urban Elements

The Spark

Small Arms Inspection Building - 1352 Lakeshore Road E



Photo Credit: Nathan Whitford

People's Choice Award

Private Projects

Chartwell Retirement Residences Headquarters
7070 Derrycrest Drive



Photo Credit: Michael Muraz

People's Choice Award

Public Projects

Cooksville GO Station & Parking Structure
3210 Hurontario Street



Photo Credit: Metrolinx

Art Installation

The design of the art installation was a collaborative effort among various City departments. The installation is a large, red metal-framed cube, which is divided into three sections. Each section has been separated by a coloured metal panel that represents a different part of the City of Mississauga. Viewers can walk between the panels and scan the QR code provided on each side of the cube to connect to the Urban Design Awards webpage, where more information is available about the program, including the People's Choice Award.

The art installation was installed at Celebration Square in mid-July and will remain until early October of 2021.



Photo Credit: City of Mississauga

