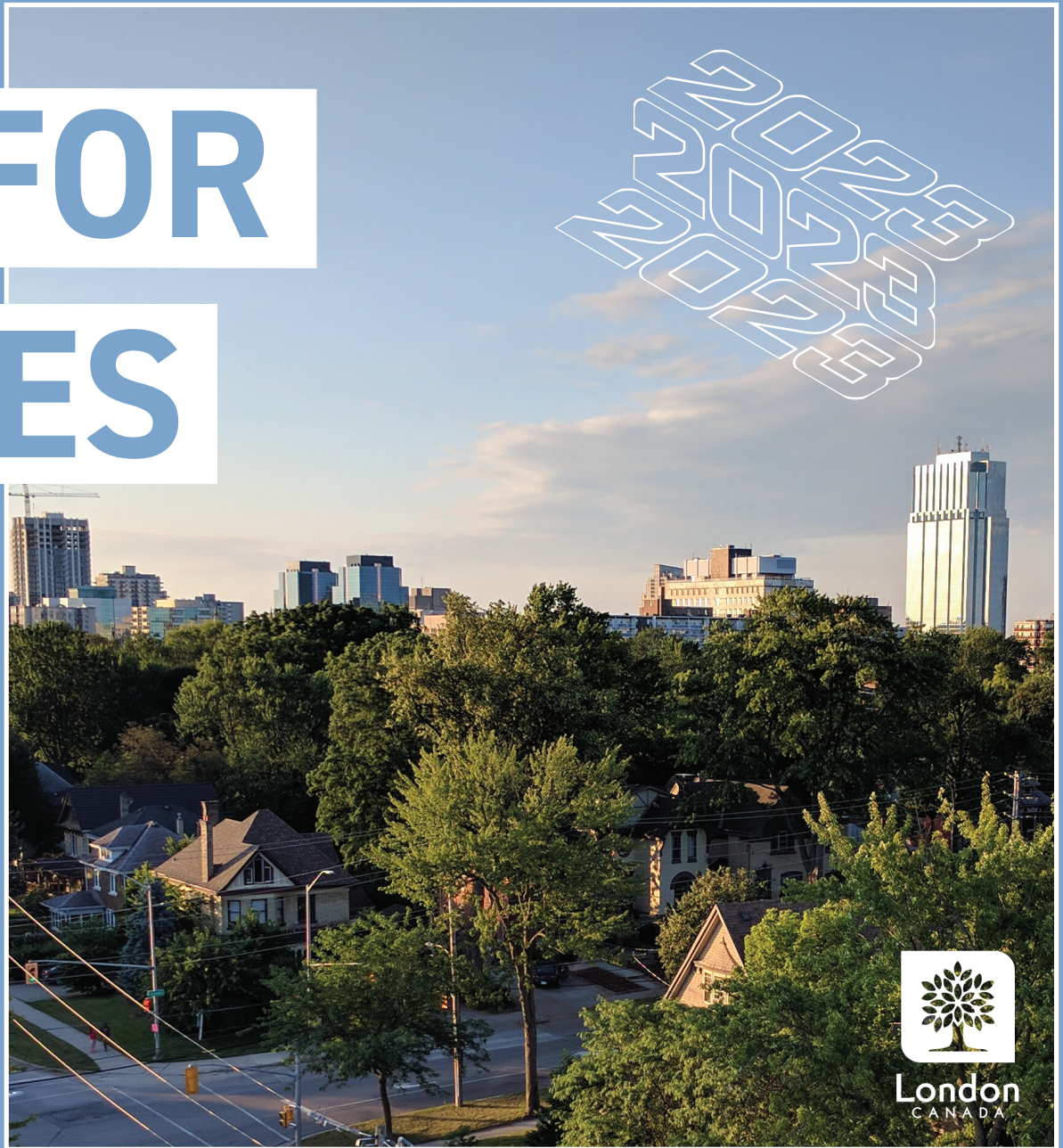


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# ANNOUNCEMENT

Building on the success of the Urban Design Awards over the past 16 years, the City of London is pleased to announce the 2023 Urban Design Awards. The purpose of the Awards is to recognize, celebrate and inspire design excellence and to showcase a variety of innovative projects in the City of London. Urban Design Awards will be granted for exceptional projects that represent visionary thinking and raise-the-bar for design excellence in London.

To allow the winning entries to be showcased at a national level, the award categories align with The Royal Architectural Institute of Canada (RAIC) National Urban Design Awards Program. Please note: the categories for the 2023 awards have changed to align with the new RAIC Awards categories.

The deadline for entries is **Friday, June 2nd, 2023 at 4:30 p.m.**

Please submit your applications to Planning & Development, City Hall, 300 Dufferin Avenue or email to arrange an alternative drop-off. Any physical materials (display board / USB, etc.) can be dropped off at the Business Hub located in the lobby of City Hall, and digital materials can be emailed to the contact below.

For further information, please contact:

Wyatt Rotteau at (519) 661-CITY(2489) ext. 7545 or [wrotteau@london.ca](mailto:wrotteau@london.ca).



# AWARD CATEGORIES



**West 5 Office Building**  
*Winner, Buildings Category, 2021*

## URBAN DESIGN PLANS

Designs for the development of new or renovated large-scale areas of the city. The project must be completed to such an extent as to allow the jury to be able to clearly understand and evaluate the plan.

The submissions in this category should clearly state the existing conditions and demonstrate how the plan creatively resolves and addresses multiple objectives and competing interests. The submission should also provide evidence of community involvement and acceptance.

Examples are:

- Area plans
- Subdivisions
- Industrial parks
- Campus plans



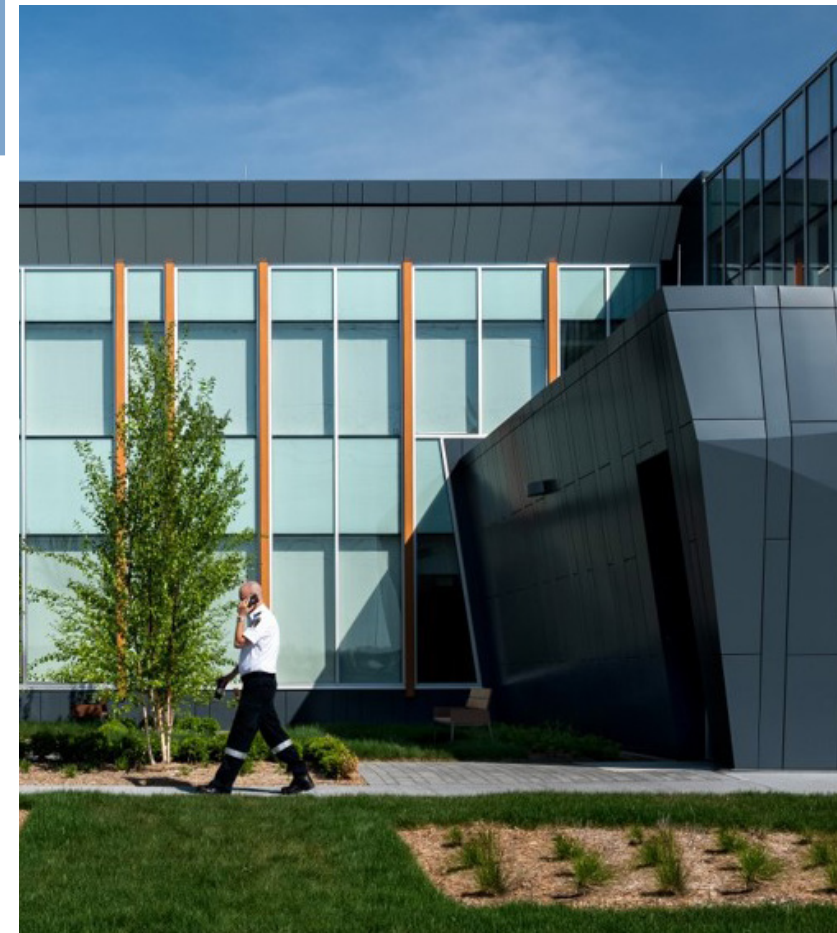
EMS Multi-Purpose Facility  
*Winner, Buildings Category, 2019*

## URBAN ARCHITECTURE

An individual building, or a composition of buildings (of any size), which achieves urban design excellence through its relationship to the public realm, its massing, detailing and pedestrian amenity. Entrants should document and highlight how the building, or group of buildings, contributes to the quality of place. All types of buildings are eligible whether "landmark" or "background," new construction or a restoration/transformation/adaptive-reuse. Building types could include: Residential (single-family, multi-unit, apartment), Mixed-use, Commercial, Institutional or Industrial.

The primary criteria for assessing the merit of entries in this category will be:

- Positive contribution to the public realm/quality of place;
- Architectural excellence;
- Demonstration of fulfilling a clearly articulated urban design intent.



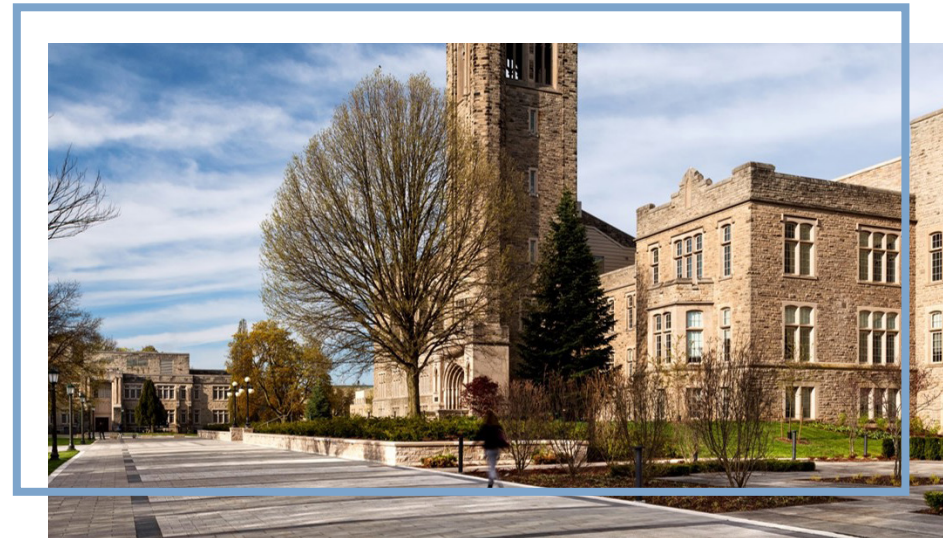


## URBAN FRAGMENTS

Elements which can be defined as a stand-alone object, landscape element or building element which contributes significantly to the quality of the public realm. It should provide a memorable image, reinforce the human scale and enhance the character of the surrounding area.

Examples include:

- Street furniture
- Public art
- Walkways
- Light fixtures
- Fences
- Gateways
- Memorials



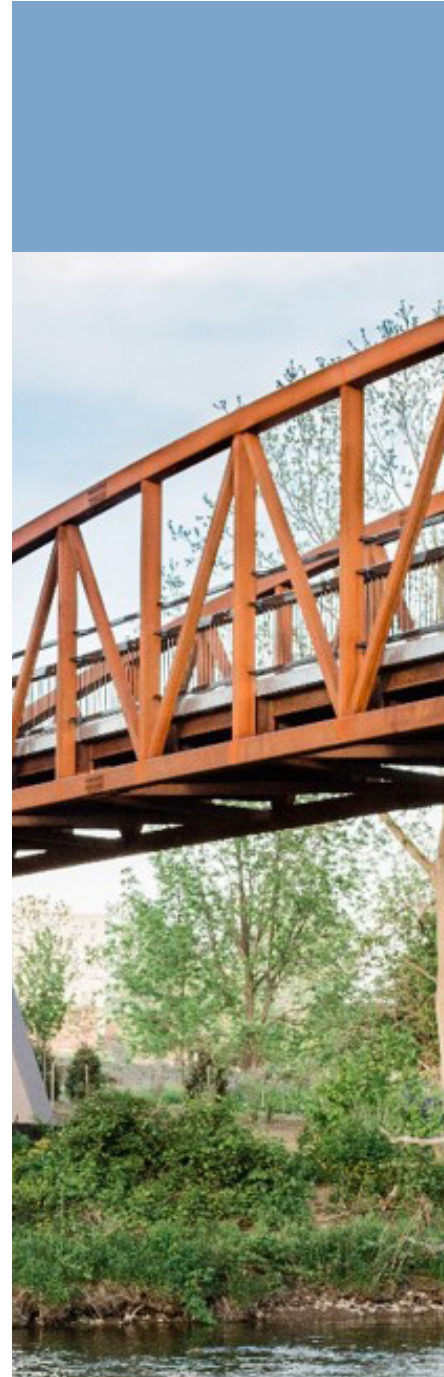
**Kent Drive Pedestrian Walkway**  
*Winner, Public Spaces and Landscapes Category, 2019*

## CIVIC DESIGN PROJECTS

Public spaces including the development, redevelopment or significant improvement of parks and open spaces, plazas, public infrastructure, environmental infrastructure and civil engineering projects (or elements thereof) which provide for exemplary design. Projects may be on public or private property but must be accessible to the general public and visitors.

Examples are:

- Courtyards
- Plazas
- Trails
- Mews
- Parks
- Streetscapes



**Thames Valley Parkway - North Branch Connection**  
*Winner, Public Spaces and Landscapes Category, 2021*



## PEOPLE'S CHOICE

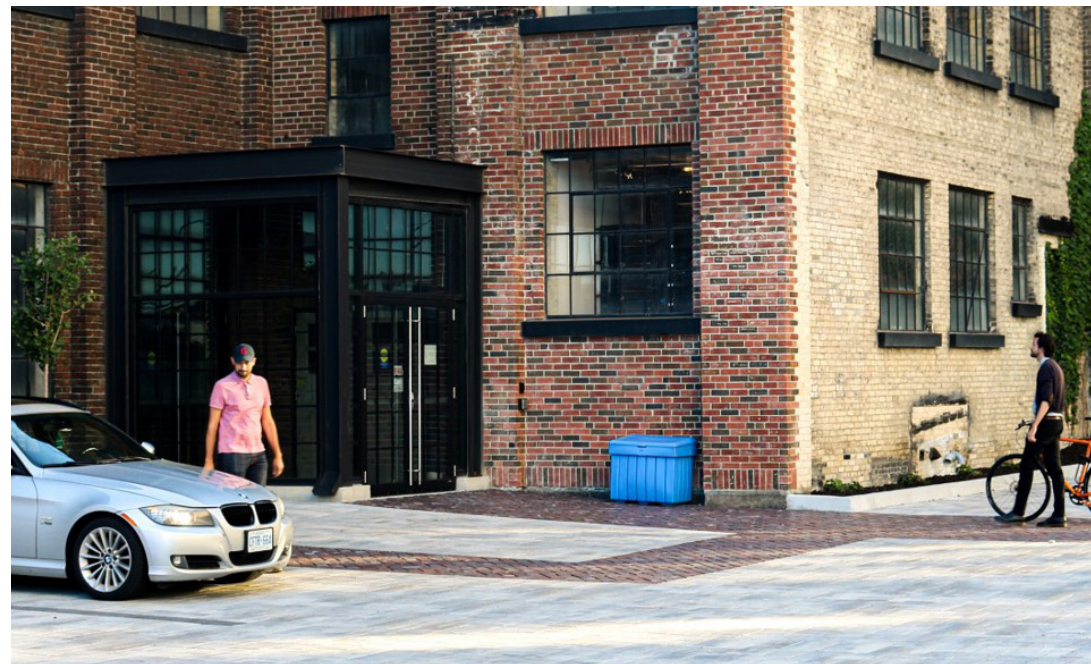
The People's Choice Award gives the public the chance to vote for their favourite 2023 London Urban Design Awards nominee. All submissions for the Urban Architecture, Urban Design Plans, Urban Fragments and Civic Design Projects categories are eligible to win.

All submissions will be listed on the City of London 2023 Urban Design Awards webpage, following the close of the Call for Entries after June 2nd, 2023. Notice for voting will be advertised to the general public and all entrants.

The nominee with the most votes will receive the "People's Choice Award" at the 2023 Urban Design Awards.

The winning submission for the People's Choice Award will not be submitted to the RAIC National Urban Design Awards unless it has won in another category.

**Info-Tech Research Group**  
*Winner, Adaptive Reuse or Rehabilitation Category  
& People's Choice Award, 2021*



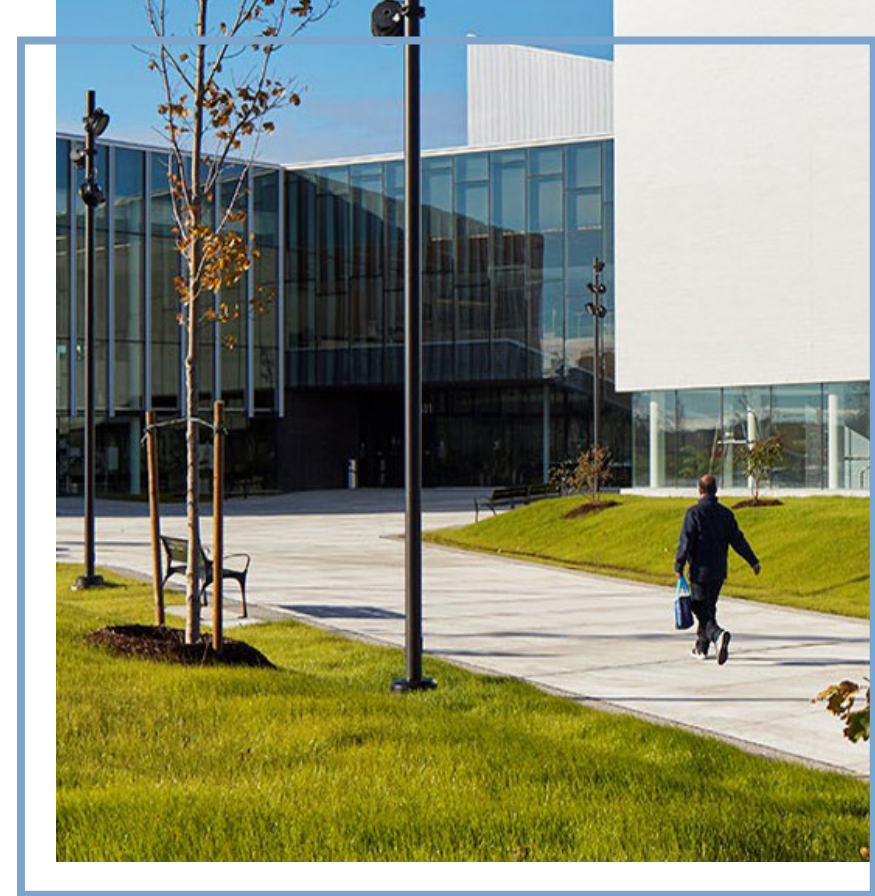


## PEOPLE'S CHOICE: STUDENT PROJECT

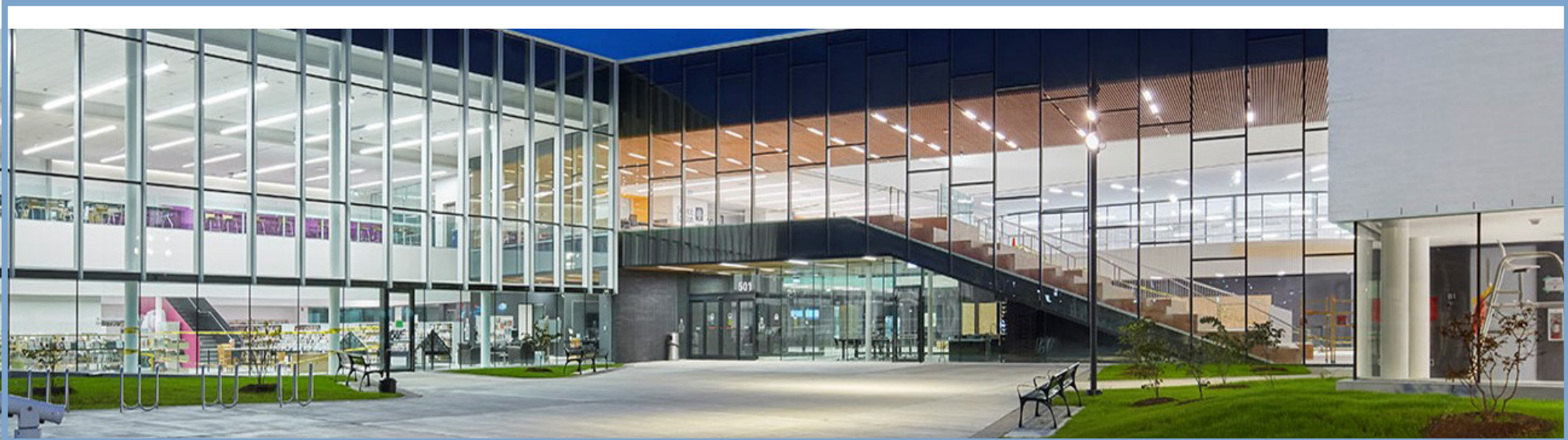
Students in Urban Design, Architecture, Landscape Architecture, Planning, Landscape Design, Environmental Design and Planning, or other design programs, are invited to submit theoretical or studio projects set in, or relating to London.

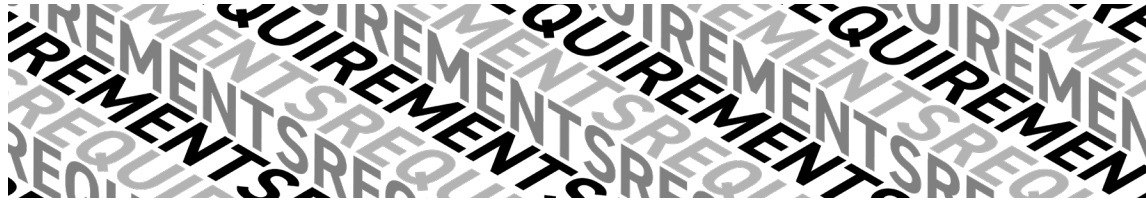
A short list of the top projects will be selected to be listed for voting on the 2023 Urban Design Awards webpage on the City of London website. Notice for voting will be advertised to the general public and all entrants.

Winning entries will not be submitted to the RAIC National Urban Design Awards.



**Bostwick Community Centre**  
*Winner, Buildings Category, 2019*





# REQUIREMENTS



Huron University College Academic Building  
*Winner, Buildings Category, 2021*

Submissions must include the following:

- A completed entry form (see last page of this document);
- An abstract of the project to explain its design qualities and how this project significantly adds to the quality of the public realm in London (One page - 8.5" x 11"). The abstract should also touch on those items that are outlined in the relevant awards category descriptions. This abstract is to be provided electronically to the City as a PDF file;
- One physical display board - 24" x 36" or 60.96 cm x 91.44 cm (digital is acceptable for student projects);
- A photo slide show, not exceeding 50 photographs illustrating the design qualities of the project described in the abstract. This slide show is to be provided in a PDF format.

Notes:

1. Materials submitted to the City of London become property of the City. Submission of materials implies consent for the City of London to disseminate such materials at the sole discretion of the City. Materials not be returned.





# ENTRY FORM

## PROJECT

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Project Completion Date\*: \_\_\_\_\_

\*Projects must have been completed after January 1, 2019 and before May 31st 2023 for award eligibility.

## CATEGORY APPLIED FOR:

Category: \_\_\_\_\_

## LEAD FIRM

Name of Firm: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

## ASSOCIATE FIRMS (IF APPLICABLE)

Planner/Urban Designer: \_\_\_\_\_

Architect: \_\_\_\_\_

Landscape Architect: \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

## OWNER/DEVELOPER

Name of Owner/Developer: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

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