

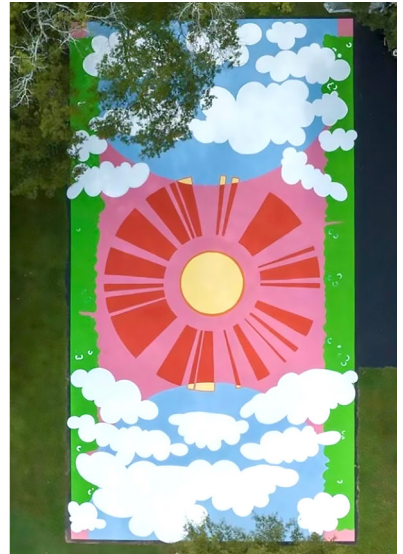


ATLANTA URBAN DESIGN COMMISSION

# Design Awards 2024

## NOMINATION BROCHURE

46th Annual Awards of Excellence  
7th Annual Community Design Awards  
The Jenny D. Thurston Memorial Award



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- Award of Excellence | Adaptive Use — Centennial Yards South
- Community Design Award — Park Pride: REDEEM
- Award of Excellence | Individual/Organization — Livable Buckhead
- Award of Excellence | Individual/Organization — Art In The Paint
- Community Design Award — Nourish Botanica

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# Frequently Asked Questions

## What are the Design Awards?

The Design Awards are an opportunity for the public to nominate a project, place, program, or person who is making Atlanta a better place to live, work, and play.

## How many awards are available for public submission and what are the types?

The public can submit nominations for three types of awards:

**The Awards of Excellence** are physical projects, programs, and sometimes people located in the city of Atlanta that have improved the city's physical character. There are several submission categories for the Awards of Excellence. The Urban Design Commission selects Awards of Excellence winners. The Commission may limit the number of awards in each category, reject all nominations, or change the category of the nomination at its discretion.

**The Community Design Awards** are projects, programs, or people who have worked to make the city or a neighborhood a better place to live. Past winners have included: neighborhood events, community organizations, new buildings, public art programs, individuals or organizations that have made a significant contribution to a neighborhood, public agencies working in that part of the city, etc. No specific categories are required for submissions. Nominations for the Community Design Awards are assigned a Neighborhood Planning Unit (NPU). NPUs select winners during monthly NPU meetings.

**The Jenny D. Thurston Memorial Award** was established as a tribute to the first Executive Director of the Commission and to the preservation professionals who have substantially contributed to the field of historic preservation. The Thurston family funds the award, which is administered by the Georgia State University Foundation. A gift of \$500 is awarded to an individual who exhibits the qualities of scholarship, leadership, and dedication to preservation that Jenny Thurston so amply possessed.



Community Design Award 2023  
Grant Park Conservancy's Summer shade Festival

# Submission Requirements

**A complete nomination package will include the following information/documents:**

**Digital submission instructions (PREFERRED):**

1. A completed Nomination Form
2. A narrative limited to 500 words.
3. **For Awards of Excellence:**  
10 Images of the nominated project including before/after context photos, as appropriate. All photos should be shot in landscape format and saved as JPEG files in a single compressed ZIP folder, uploaded with online submission.

**For Community Design Awards:**

2 Images of the nominated project including before/after/context photos, as appropriate. All photos should be shot in landscape format and saved as JPEG files in a single compressed ZIP folder, uploaded with online submission.

**For Jenny D. Thurston Memorial Award:**

1 image of the nominee, uploaded with online submission.

4. Email to Leslie Battle-Williams in the Office of Design:  
[LNBattle-Williams@atlantaga.gov](mailto:LNBattle-Williams@atlantaga.gov)

**Please note:**

- Nomination materials will not be returned.
- All physical projects must be substantially complete, have been completed in the last two years, and must be in the City of Atlanta corporate limits.
- Incomplete, late, emailed, or faxed nominations will not be accepted.
- It is the sole responsibility of the nominator to assure that nomination packages are received by the Office of Design within the submission deadline date and time.

**Hard copy submission instructions:**

1. A completed Nomination Form (found in this booklet)  
Downloaded or photocopied versions of the form are acceptable.
2. A narrative limited to 500 words.
3. **For Awards of Excellence:**  
10 Images of the nominated project including before/after context photos, as appropriate. All photos should be shot in landscape format and sent on one portable storage device or printed with clear resolution. All hard copy nomination materials shall be no larger than 8.5 × 11 in., collated, and stapled in the upper left-hand corner – **DO NOT BIND.**

**For Community Design Awards:**

5 Images of the nominated project including before/after context photos, as appropriate. All photos should be shot in landscape format and sent on one portable storage device or printed with clear resolution. All hard copy nomination materials shall be no larger than 8.5 × 11 in., collated, and stapled in the upper left-hand corner – **DO NOT BIND.**

**For Jenny D. Thurston Memorial Award:**

1 image of the nominee, sent on one portable storage device or printed with clear resolution.

4. Mail to:  
**Matt Adams**  
Office of Design – Historic Preservation Studio  
55 Trinity Avenue SW, Suite 3350  
Atlanta, GA 30303

**Nomination deadlines**

Community Design Awards

Thursday, February 29, 2024 by 4:00 pm

Awards of Excellence & Jenny D. Thurston Memorial Award

Thursday, March 14, 2024 by 4:00 pm

When nominations close, voting for the respective awards is scheduled. Winners are notified directly and publicly announced at the annual Design Awards event in late spring. This event is free and open to the public.

If I have more questions, please contact Leslie Battle-Williams at [LNBattle-Williams@atlantaga.gov](mailto:LNBattle-Williams@atlantaga.gov)

# Nomination Form

Description of Nominated Project, Program, or Individual  
(500 words or less)

<b>Award Type</b> (please check one)	
<input type="checkbox"/> Award of Excellence	<input type="checkbox"/> Community Design Award
<input type="checkbox"/> Jenny D. Thurston Memorial Award	

Name of Project, Program or Individual being nominated

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Address of Project, Program, or Individual being nominated

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**Person Making the Nomination**

Name:

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Email:

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Phone Number:

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Affiliation with Project Nomination (if any):

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**Award Category** (please check one for Award of Excellence only!)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Public Works of Art | <input type="checkbox"/> Parks & Landscape Design         |
| <input type="checkbox"/> New Construction    | <input type="checkbox"/> Interior Design of Public Spaces |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Urban Design        | <input type="checkbox"/> Historic Preservation            |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Adaptive Use        | <input type="checkbox"/> Individual/Organization          |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Contextual Infill   | <input type="checkbox"/> Sustainable Design               |

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Community Design Award 2023  
Mozley Park Basketball Court Mural

# About the Commission

The Department of City Planning works to achieve Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.'s vision of the "Beloved Community": a flourishing, inclusive city where all Atlantans thrive. To get there, we are following the plan laid out in the Atlanta City Design. We're upholding building codes to keep city structures safe. We're preserving the tree canopy that shades our sidewalks. We're rewriting zoning ordinances to solve housing problems. And that's just the beginning. Through our NPU system, residents like you can weigh in on the future of your city every step of the way. All for Atlanta, Atlanta for all.

The Atlanta Urban Design Commission seeks to promote and recognize high quality design and development in the city of Atlanta through its annual design awards program. The Atlanta Urban Design Commission reviews plans and projects for historic buildings and districts in the city of Atlanta, as well as for City of Atlanta owned properties and rights of way, works of public art, and parks; all of which affect the aesthetic, cultural and historic quality of Atlanta's urban experience.



Award of Excellence 2023 | Historic Preservation  
The Historic Capitol View Homes



Community Design Award 2023  
Steele Bridge



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