

EMERGING LEADER AWARD

The Potomac Chapter of ASLA has established a new Emerging Leader Award (ELA) to recognize an individual early in their career who has made significant contributions to the profession of landscape architecture by demonstrating exceptional leadership in their community, their local ASLA Chapter, and/or their place of employment.

AWARD DESCRIPTION:

The Emerging Leader Award is intended to be an annual award specifically designed to recognize and foster leadership in early career landscape architecture professionals. The selected candidate will receive a yearlong mentorship with a Potomac Chapter Fellow and will be honored at the Potomac Chapter Awards Gala. In addition, the selected candidates will receive a stipend of \$1,000 which can be used to support payment of ASLA dues, and/or attendance at the ASLA annual conference or for other ASLA events.

AWARD ELIGIBILITY:

The Emerging Leader Award is open to practitioners living or working within the greater Washington, DC area. Candidates must have graduated from an accredited landscape architecture program within the last 10 years before nomination. Candidates can have experience in the private or the public sector working either as a licensed landscape architect or under the supervision of a registered landscape architect. Alternatively, candidates can be teaching in an accredited landscape program. If the candidate is not currently registered, it is expected that the candidate shares the goal of pursuing licensure in the near future. Candidates must have a professional degree in landscape architecture and be an active member in good standing of the Potomac Chapter of ASLA for at least the past two years prior to the nomination and submission.

NOMINATION PROCESS:

Nominations for the ELA may be made by any member of the Potomac Chapter of ASLA. All nominations are to be kept confidential and nominees should not be made aware of their nomination. The Nominating Committee of the Potomac Chapter of ASLA will review the applications.

The 2024 deadline for nominations is Friday, March 15.

REQUIRED SUBMISSION MATERIALS:

To be considered for the ELA, the member of ASLA who is nominating a candidate must submit the following in one PDF submission:

• A brief nominating statement that should be maximum of 250 words in length. The statement should be a concise description of the candidate with a summary of how the candidate meets the leadership criteria for the award. Basic information that must be provided include the nominee's full

name, address, phone number, email, current title and firm/organization, and the Landscape Architecture Program, degree received and graduation year of the nominee.

• A summary narrative of no more than two written pages describing specific examples of how the candidate has shown or portrays leadership skills while describing the nominee's qualifications for the award using specific examples and any related images (up to a maximum of five total pages).

• A letter of support from someone other than the person nominating and who is a licensed landscape architect.

• **NOTE:** Please be sure that any project images for the submission are at least 2000x1500ppi with a minimum width of 2000px, a minimum height of 1500px, and a minimum density of 300ppi.

The entire nomination submission should be submitted as one high-resolution pdf to info@potomacasla.org.

Nominations may be addressed to Potomac Chapter ASLA and emailed to info@potomacasla.org.

QUESTIONS: For questions, please email <u>info@potomacasla.org</u> or call 202-827-7380.