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A Chapter of the American Society of Landscape Architects

Medal of Excellence Nominations American Society of Landscape Architects 636 Eye Street, NW Washington, DC 20001

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To whom it may concern,

The Boston Society of Landscape Architects enthusiastically nominates the Career Discovery Program at the Harvard University Graduate School of Design for the American Society of Landscape Architects' Medal of Excellence.

For decades the Career Discovery Program has sustained a consistent level of excellence and made significant contributions to the profession of landscape architecture through providing access to education and information to hundreds of participants in the Program who were considering landscape architecture as a profession.

The Career Discovery Program provides a unique touchstone for exploration, and often confirmation of a career in the design professions. With a core program of international level quality lectures, panel discussions, guided site visits and above all, true studio experiences, the success of the Career Discovery Program is evidenced by the extraordinary number of participants who have gone on to pursue degrees, and eventually practice, in many of the premier landscape architecture firms throughout the US and abroad.

In addition to the impacts of those who eventually fulfill their professional lives with roles as landscape architects, hundreds more go on to be citizens who may not have ultimately decided to be landscape architects, but who have a profound understanding of what we do, and who contribute to and support the goals of landscape architecture through other real political, economic, and philosophical means.

This may be one of the most truly effective types of educational outreach to the public that exists in landscape architecture today. Thank you for your consideration of the Career Discovery Program for the American Society of Landscape Architects' Medal of Excellence. Sincerely, The Boston Society of Landscape Architects Nominations Committee