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Canadian Urban Institute honours champions of the public realm

Glen Murray announces recipients of 2008 Urban Leadership Awards

The Urban Leadership Awards (ULA) honour outstanding individuals and organizations that have made profound contributions to the quality of urban life in Canada. Awards will be presented on Tuesday, May 27, 2008 during the ULA ceremony and luncheon at the Fairmont Royal York Hotel.

16 award winners (in seven different categories) were announced today by the Canadian Urban Institute and include artists, professionals, social entrepreneurs, grassroots community organizations and the founder of Canada's first Urban-format radio station. The winners are all champions of the public realm whose leadership, activism, tenacity and vision have helped change lives and transform communities. The Jane Jacobs Lifetime Achievement Award will be presented to **Phyllis Lambert**, founder of the Canadian Centre for Architecture and life-long urban advocate.

Winners were selected by a jury comprising: Glen Murray, CUI President & CEO; former Toronto Mayor and Member of Parliament, the Honourable David Crombie; urban affairs columnist Christopher Hume; Goodwill Industries VP Mitzie Hunter; lawyers Bohdan Onyschuk and Jane Pepino; social activist and physician Dr. Joseph Wong; and Leslie Woo, General Manager of Policy & Planning at Metrolinx.



Jane Jacobs Lifetime Achievement Award *Presented to an individual whose exemplary achievements in the betterment of the public realm demonstrate a level of leadership that only a few attain.*

Founder, Canadian Centre for Architecture
Phyllis Lambert



City Renewal *Presented to an individual or organization whose activities renew, revitalize & restore our cities. Recipients help shape policy on major urban issues, change public attitudes for the better and help transform our urban landscape for the future.*

**Habitat for Humanity
Movement In Canada**
Its 70 affiliates & volunteers

Urban Revitalization Project
**Quartier International de
Montréal**



City Soul *Presented to an individual or organization whose pursuits inspire, inform, enrich and engage our collective spirits whether through art, entertainment, heritage, sport or culture.*

Toronto Artist and Urban Activist
Dyan Marie

*Founder, Canada's First Urban
Format Radio Station*
B. Denham Jolly

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City Livability Presented to an individual or organization whose actions in the physical, political, educational or other realm help make instil confidence in our cities public while making the physical realm of our cities more livable.

Landscape Architect
Janet Rosenberg

Urban Greening Movement
Evergreen

City Initiatives Presented to innovative initiatives within the past three years that have made a significant impact on the public realm.

*For Initiatives Supporting
Strong City Regions*
**Province of
Ontario**

*Internationally Recognized
Development Guidelines*
**Bird-Friendly Development
Working Group**

City Youth Presented to an individual under the age of 30 who has made outstanding contributions to any aspect of the public realm.

*Social & Human Rights
Advocate*
Ayan Hersi

*Youth Engagement &
Public Safety Advocate*
Ryan Teschner

*Champion and Role Model of the
Canadian Cystic Fibrosis Foundation*
Christopher Beausoleil

Local Heroes Presented to individuals or groups who've had a profound and lasting impact on the quality of life in their community or neighborhood.

*Toronto
Anti-Violence
Intervention Strategy*
**Toronto Police
Services**

*Thunder Bay
Community Group*
**Evergreen:
A United
Neighborhood**

*Affordable Housing
Advocate and Social
Entrepreneur*
Michel Labbé

*Founder of Toronto
Children's Breakfast
Clubs*
Richard Gosling

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