

# Urban Leadership Awards 2009 Nomination Package



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## Background

The **Canadian Urban Institute** is proud to announce the opening of nominations for its sixth annual **Urban Leadership Awards (ULA)**. The 2009 awards will be presented at a ceremony to be held on Friday, June 5, 2009 at the Fairmont Royal York Hotel in Toronto.

The Urban Leadership Awards (ULA) Program is an annual initiative of the Canadian Urban Institute (CUI) designed to recognize those who have made significant contributions to improving the quality of life in Canada's cities and urban regions. ULA recipients define the very nature of "leadership" and can be organizations, groups or individuals who demonstrate a calling and a vision, tenacity, creativity, energy and drive. These characteristics combined with the ability to engage others, are what distinguish ULA recipients from the mainstream.

**Nominations are open from September 22, 2008 to November 14, 2008** and may be submitted for individuals, groups or organizations under any of the following **award categories**:

### City Innovation Award

New technologies, programs, policies and ideas that solve problems and open up opportunities for urban regions. These initiatives must demonstrate originality, creativity, efficacy and an entrepreneurial imagination.

### City Renewal Award

Efforts and initiatives that renew and revitalize the places, spaces and systems of cities. Leadership that engages people and creates the vision, culture and engine necessary for successful urban renewal.

### Natural City Award

Undertakings that contribute to building cities within the constraints and opportunities of the natural ecology of their region - initiatives that are restorative, with outcomes such as reduced environmental foot prints, reduced carbon emissions, restored natural habitats, enhanced biodiversity, or, that result in the improved spatial organization of cities that minimizes the use of energy and material resources.

### Universal City Award

Initiatives and actions that make a city a place for everyone. These include projects in universal design, the celebration of human diversity, the removal barriers to the participation of people in the economic, cultural and political life of the cities, initiatives that are dedicated to the advancement of human rights and to the principles of pluralism and citizenship.

### City Prosperity Award

Undertakings that build a city's capacity to generate wealth and enable its people to benefit from the strengthening and development of the local and regional economy. These include dynamic public sector policies, private or public investments, corporate and labour leadership, or, entrepreneurial initiatives that generate significant new and enduring economic activity, quality employment opportunities, and stronger regional economies.

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## **Secure City Award**

Policies, actions or initiatives in fields such as urban design, architecture, law enforcement, justice, emergency preparedness, culture, employment, or education which effectively manage risks to public safety and contribute to our personal security and well being.

## **Creative City Award**

Programs and projects that stimulate and facilitate the enrichment of the creative capacity of a city and advance research and development. Initiatives that make a city more technologically savvy, develop talent, celebrate diversity, accelerate the commercialization of research, and facilitate the exploration of ideas and the application of new knowledge to city building.

## **City Soul Award**

Pursuits that inspire, inform, enrich and engage our collective spirits, which celebrate the authenticity of place and achieve, whether through culture, arts, entertainment, heritage, sports, recreation, or politics, a re-igniting of the soulfulness and passion of a city.

## **Global City Award**

Developments, events or initiatives that are transformational and position and purpose a city, or city-region, as a global centre of excellence. Projects that create a global identity for a city and enhance its reputation and place in the world.

## **City Youth Award**

Contributions made by individuals under the age of 30 that demonstrate outstanding citizenship and leadership and in city building.

## **Local Hero Awards**

Individuals, or groups, whose actions make a difference in the lives of the people in their community.

## **David Crombie Award**

People and initiatives that provide collaborative solutions to the complex problems that face Canada's largest urban region – the Greater Golden Horseshoe and, through engaging community members with government and private sector partners, support the repair, regeneration and/or enhancement of the regions' public realm.

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## Instructions

1. Complete the following *Nomination Form*.

This portion of the *Nomination Package* provides the essential contact information for the nominator and the nominee.

2. Complete the following *Nominee Profile*.

This portion of the *Nomination Package* enables you to profile the leadership contributions of the individual, group or organization that you have nominated. Please follow the guidelines below to ensure your nomination is complete.

- **Select the award category** that you feel best reflects the accomplishments of your nominee.
- **Outline your nominee's contribution** to the quality of urban life pertaining to the selected award category. Please use a minimum of two pages.
- You are encouraged to include **supporting material** such as testimonials (no more than 3), articles on your nominee (please reduce to 8 ½ x 11) and/or other information that will be helpful to the jury.

3. Submit the *Nomination Package* and all supporting material either electronically to [urbanleadershipawards@canurb.com](mailto:urbanleadershipawards@canurb.com), or, by mail or fax to the coordinates below, no later than **Friday, November 14, 2008**.

- The entire *Nomination Package* submitted, including the *Nomination Form*, *Nominee Profile*, and *supporting material*, should **not exceed 10 single-sided (8 ½ x 11) pages**.
- If mailing hard copies of the Nomination material, please do not use staples.

Thank you!

**Please note:** All nominations submitted for the 2007 and 2008 ULA will be reconsidered for 2009. As the criteria for some award categories have changed for 2009, and some new categories have been added, all 2007 & 2008 submissions will be considered in the category which is determined to be most appropriate by the ULA Jury. Re-nominations are not required.

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## Nomination Form

### Nominee Information

Nominee Name (Individual, Group or Organization):

Organization/Company (if applicable):

Title (if applicable):

Address:

Telephone:

Fax:

Email:

### Nominator Information

Nomination submitted by:

Organization/Company (if applicable):

Title (if applicable):

Address:

Telephone:

Fax:

Email:

Date of Submission:

### Consent of the nominee (optional)

I agree to have my name submitted as a nominee for the Canadian Urban Institute's Urban Leadership Awards.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Nominee

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

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## Nominee Profile

**Nominee Name** \_\_\_\_\_

### Award Category

Please select one:

- |  |                                       |  |
|--|---------------------------------------|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> City Innovation | <input type="checkbox"/> City Renewal | <input type="checkbox"/> Universal City      |
| <input type="checkbox"/> City Prosperity | <input type="checkbox"/> City Soul    | <input type="checkbox"/> Natural City        |
| <input type="checkbox"/> City Youth      | <input type="checkbox"/> Secure City  | <input type="checkbox"/> Creative City       |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Global City     | <input type="checkbox"/> Local Heroes | <input type="checkbox"/> David Crombie Award |

**Please note:**

- The ULA jury reserves the right to consider the nominee in any and all categories.
- If you would like your nominee to be considered under the category “City Youth”, he/she must be under the age of 30 as of the close of nominations on November 14<sup>th</sup>, 2008.

### Nominee Profile

Please follow with a minimum of two pages detailing your nominee's accomplishments.

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