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FLORIDA CHAPTER ANNOUNCES TOP DESIGN AWARD WINNERS

FLASLA Recognizes Outstanding State Landscape Architecture Work

Gainesville, FL, July 29, 2010--- The Florida Chapter of the American Society of Landscape Architects held its Annual Design Awards Gala, July 23rd in Gainesville, Fla. where the Chapter's top three design awards were announced:

The Frederic B. Stresau Award is bestowed upon an Award of Excellence winner that best exhibits absolute innovation and design excellence of the profession in 2010. The award went to EDSA (Fort Lauderdale) for *Al Ain Wildlife Park & Resort* in Al Ain, United Arab Emirates.

The Environmental Sustainability Honor may be bestowed upon a single project that exhibits sound sustainable practices as described by the ASLA Environmental Sustainability Policy Statement (B205, 206, R2001; available at www.asla.org). The award went to Canin Associates (Orlando) for *Sanford-Burnham Medical Research Institute at Lake Nona* in Orlando.

The Edward D. Stone, Jr. Landmark Award may be bestowed upon a single distinguished landscape architecture project built and completed at least 20 years ago that retains its original design integrity and contributes significantly to the public realm of the community in which it is located. The award went to EDSA (Fort Lauderdale) for *PepsiCo World Headquarters* in Purchase, New York.

This year the Florida Chapter received 74 award submittals from professionals and students around the state, and honored 22 projects with awards of Merit, Honor and Excellence.

Additional information on all winning projects are available at <http://www.flasla.org/2010awards.htm>. High resolution digital images and narrative summaries of the winning projects and award recipients are available and can be sent via email upon request.

About Florida Chapter ASLA

Chartered in 1959, the Florida Chapter ASLA is the state-level professional association for landscape architects, representing approximately 750 members throughout Florida in 10 professional sections and student chapters at 3 Florida universities. The Florida Chapter operates as a local extension of the national body and its purpose is the advancement of knowledge, education, and skill in the art and science of landscape architecture. The Florida Chapter promotes the profession of landscape architecture and advances the practice through advocacy, education, communication, and fellowship. Learn more about the Florida Chapter online at www.flasla.org.

About ASLA

Founded in 1899, ASLA is the national professional association for landscape architects, representing more than 16,000 members in 48 professional chapters and 68 student chapters. The Society's mission is to lead, to educate, and to participate in the careful stewardship, wise planning, and artful design of our cultural and natural environments. Members of the Society use their "ASLA" suffix after their names to denote membership and their commitment to the highest ethical standards of the profession. Learn more about landscape architecture online at www.asla.org.

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