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Mikyoung Kim Recipient of ASLA Design Medal

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Mikyoung Kim is this year's Design Medal recipient from the American Society of Landscape Architects (ASLA): one of the highest honors bestowed upon a landscape architect. The ASLA Design Medal recognizes an individual "who has produced a body of exceptional design work at a sustained level for at least ten years."

"It is a tremendous honor to be recognized and supported by my peers and clients. This recognition is an amazing moment for me because it not only honors the work of my office, but also highlights the importance of resiliency, restoration and creative thinking," says Mikyoung.

Mikyoung is the founder and design director of Boston-based Mikyoung Kim Design, an international, woman-owned, landscape architecture and urban design firm. The studio's exceptional body of work has redefined the discipline of landscape architecture, inhabiting the intersection of art and science. Their designs address the most pressing environmental and health-related issues, while creating artful and immersive experiences. They have a responsive and collaborative approach that imagines possibilities across design disciplines and scales, seamlessly integrating landscape architecture, urban design, and environmental art. The firm is this year's recipient of the National Design Award from Cooper Hewitt, Smithsonian Design Museum.

Among the nominators, author and thought leader Sarah Goldhagen, remarked: "Mikyoung shows that landscape design and environmental art can be a public amenity, a social condenser, and a sustainable practice while simultaneously being a poetic art that captures and sustains our all-too-often-distracted attention, confers a graceful sense of play, and instigates deep imaginative thought about the many ways that every day landscapes can enrich peoples individual experience and social congress."

Selected by the Board of Trustees, the medals are the highest honors awarded by the ASLA each year. Other medal recipients include Linda Jewell (ASLA Medal); Patrick Miller (Jot D. Carpenter Teaching Medal); Scott Bradley (LaGasse Medal, Landscape Professional); David Archambault (LaGasse Medal, Non-Landscape Professional); Forterra (Olmsted Medal); and Dumbarton Oaks Research Library & Collections (Medal of Excellence). The honors will be presented at the president's dinner on October 22, held during the 2018 ASLA Annual Meeting and EXPO in Philadelphia.

The supporting nominations can be read at: <http://staging.asla.org/Honors/2018/docs/MikyoungKimNomination.pdf>

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