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**2026 Awards Nomination Form**

*Please review the award descriptions and required materials before submitting a nomination. Consider the qualifications of your candidate. An award may be presented to an individual only once.*

For: \_\_\_ Caroline Loughlin Volunteer Service Award

\_\_\_ Olmsted Stewardship Award

See next page for a description of each award.

**Nominated by:**

*Provide your full name, email address and home address. Explain your connection to the nominee.*

Full Name:

Email Address:

Home Address:

Connection to Nominee:

**Nominee:**

*Please provide a full name, email address, home address and phone number for the nominee. Indicate whether the proposed candidate is an individual, institution, project or organization.*

Full Name:

Email Address:

Home Address:

Phone Number:

Affiliation:

**Why should the nominee receive the award:**

*Describe how the nominee meets/fulfills the criteria for the award, including as many specific details as possible. Please limit your text to two pages, single-spaced, and include details that illustrate the candidate's qualifications. Kindly attach at the end of this document.*

**Supporting Materials:**

The awards portfolio should include at least two high-resolution photos and two supporting letters. These letters should include the name, mailing address, email address and affiliation of the person supporting the application and address why the nominee should receive the award.

**Supplemental Materials:**

Very select supplemental materials may be included such as articles, drawings and other information relevant to the awards determination.

**Award Descriptions**

The Olmsted Network invites you to nominate individuals, organizations, projects and programs that help advance and raise the visibility of Olmsted's legacy. The Olmsted Network is looking for nominations for the **Caroline Loughlin Volunteer Service Award** and the **Olmsted Stewardship Award**, which are both detailed below and listed on our website [here](#).

The **Caroline Loughlin Volunteer Service Award** recognizes extraordinary dedication and commitment to protecting and preserving Olmsted parks and landscapes. Named after Caroline Loughlin, a valued trustee, officer and long-time supporter of the Olmsted Network (formerly known as the National Association for Olmsted Parks). The award may be given to an individual or an organization that "volunteers to promote and protect the Olmsted legacy."

Caroline enthusiastically participated in many activities that advanced Olmsted's work and principles. She was noteworthy for her passion, intelligence, perseverance and generosity. In gratitude for her many contributions, we established this award in 2005.

The 2025 recipients of the Caroline Loughlin Volunteer Service Award were [Betsy Shure Gross](#) and [Ann Satterthwaite](#). Past recipients include Caroline Loughlin, Charles Beveridge, Lauren Meier, Susan Frey Rademacher, Gerry Wright, Lucy Lawliss and Constance Guardi.

The **Olmsted Stewardship Award** recognizes "outstanding stewardship of the living legacy of landscapes" designed by Frederick Law Olmsted and his sons. It acknowledges leadership, vision and stewardship in protecting and advancing the work of Frederick Law Olmsted, his sons and successor firm. Individuals, projects and organizations are eligible.

Nominees must show a **sustained commitment and record of accomplishment**. They must help advance and raise the visibility of the Olmsted legacy and meet **one or more** of the following criteria:

- Exemplary stewardship, intervention, treatment, advocacy and/or outreach resulting in successful preservation, rehabilitation and/or active use of an Olmsted landscape in accordance with the Olmsted design intent and [principles](#) and, where applicable, with the Secretary of Interior's standards and guidelines for the treatment of historic properties;
- Outstanding partnerships that preserve and advance Olmsted work and can serve as a model for other partnerships; and
- Significant contributions to community revitalization, or other public benefits related to the Olmsted work.

The 2025 recipient of the Olmsted Stewardship Award was [Anthony Oprisiu](#). Past recipients include David Schuyler, Louisville Olmsted Parks Conservancy, Marion Pressley, Mimi Batchelder Brown (Moraine Farm), Arleyn Levee, and Christian Zimmerman.

### **Submission Information**

Nominations for both awards are due by **July 15, 2026**, to [info@olmsted.org](mailto:info@olmsted.org). All materials should be submitted simultaneously. Please do not embed the photos in a document; provide them as .jpeg files.

Awards are made upon approval of the board of directors and may not be given every year. An email acknowledgment will be sent to the proposer after the nomination is received. **Winners will be honored at our [annual conference](#) in Portland, OR, on September 23-25, 2026.** We ask that applications remain confidential until the awards are announced.