

Emerging Professionals Grant 2023

The St. Louis Chapter of the American Society of Landscape Architects (ASLA St Louis) is pleased to offer an Emerging Professionals Grant for 2023. This grant supports the professional development of students and practitioners that are pursuing a career in the field of Landscape Architecture, are engaged in the St. Louis Chapter ASLA, and practice in the St. Louis Region/Metro East. The goal of this grant is to promote professional development activities and service in the ASLA. Through financial support of these activities, ASLA St Louis supports emerging Landscape Architects to develop a professional network and foster a commitment to the field of Landscape Architecture.

Grant Funded Activities

The following activities are eligible for funding. Registrations, supplies, and travel expenses that are incurred for approved activities are also funded.

- ASLA National and ASLA St Louis membership
- ASLA National Conference
- ASLA Central States Conference
- LABash
- Regional study and research
- Student presentations at conferences
- National Advocacy Day participation
- National ASLA award submissions

- LARE exam and study materials (reimbursed after passing the test)
- SITES exam and study materials (reimbursed after passing the test)
- CLARB membership
- Community service projects
- Other activities at the discretion of the Scholarship Committee

Award and Membership

Grants will be awarded to one or more individuals or groups at the discretion of the Grant Review Committee based on merit. The total amounts and number of grants available will vary from year to year depending on the funds available. All final decisions are made by the ASLA St Louis Executive Committee including the option not to award grants.

Scholarship Applicant Criteria

- 1. Applicants must be a resident of the St. Louis region, Metro East, or a Landscape Architecture student.
- 2. Applicants must be willing and able to participate in the St. Louis Chapter ASLA meetings and events as a Member at Large for at least one (1) year. Existing ASLA St Louis members are encouraged to apply.
- 3. Applicants can be practitioners that have five (5) years of experience or less under the direction of a licensed Landscape Architect.
- 4. Students will provide verification of their status as a student from an accredited Landscape Architecture program in the region and practitioners will provide verification of employment status from their Landscape Architect supervisor.
- 5. Prior award recipients may reapply.

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Procedures/Requirements

To ensure your application is reviewed and processed accurately please follow these guidelines:

- The applicant must complete the application personally and completely. Incomplete applications will not be reviewed.
- 2. ASLA St Louis is accepting applications as of September 2023. Submissions must be received between by November 3, 2023. It is recommended that you submit your application package early in this time range so that we can inform you of missing or incomplete items. You will have an opportunity to submit additional information up to the final due date.
- 3. Applications may be emailed as a single, multi-page PDF attachment (no other file format accepted). Include the Application Cover Sheet as the first page of your submittal.
- 4. Email your submittal to aslastlouismo@gmail.com
- 5. Required Documentation Check List attach the following to your application:
 - a. Student or employment documentation include a letter or copy or a student document.
 - b. Request letter provide a letter signed by the applicant that address the following questions:
 - Why do you desire or need this scholarship?
 - How will you use the money to advance your professional development?
 - Why did you choose Landscape Architecture as your field of study or profession?
 - How do you intend to serve the STL ASLA?
 - c. Cost breakdown itemized estimated costs for supported activities including registrations and travel expenses. Personal items such as clothing, gear, food, etc. are not funded. This is a reimbursement program. All expenses incurred must be verified by a record of receipts that correspond to the cost estimate.
 - d. Letter of recommendation written by a person (professor, director or manager) who knows you personally and can articulate how you are dedicated to the field of Landscape Architecture.

END OF INSTRUCTIONS

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APPLICATION COVER SHEET

Applicant's Name				
Address				
Phone Number				
Email				
Are you a St. Louis Chapter ASLA member?		No		
Are you a Landscape Architecture student?	Yes	No		
Employer or Institution Name				
Address				
Contact Phone Number				
Contact Email				
Applicant's Signature – I attest all information is		Date		

An equal opportunity scholarship. All application information is confidential.

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