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# URBANURGe AWARDS

## Congratulations Urban Urge Awards Finalists

The Urban Urge Awards received entries from 14 countries and 6 continents that offered compelling ideas for the transformation of their urban environments. Our 11 finalists reflect a diversity of concepts and contexts for urban innovation. The finalists' proposals were reviewed by an esteemed jury listed below. The award winners will be announced in September 2014.

### THE JURY



Bjarke Ingels  
B.I.G.



Casey Jones  
GSA



Margaret Newman  
Municipal Arts Society



David van der Leer  
Van Alen Institute



Mabel O. Wilson  
Columbia University GSAPP

### THE FINALISTS

#### BEEbrane

Brooklyn, New York, United States  
Nikole Bouchard | School of Architecture and Urban Planning, University of Wisconsin at Milwaukee

#### Boone Room

Bronx, New York, United States  
Amanda Schachter | Slo Architecture with Bronx River Art Center & Fannie Lou Hamer High School

#### Box City: Creating Lifelong Neighborhoods

Lawrence, Kansas, United States  
Joe Colistra, Nilou Vakil | University of Kansas

#### Bunk Plaza: Urban Design Installation

New Iberia, Louisiana, United States  
Phanat Xanamane and Barrett Bertrand | Envision da Berry

#### Corona Plaza Publication and Mobile Displays

Queens, New York, United States  
Quilian Riano | DSGN AGNC, Parsons The New School of Design and Pratt Institute

#### Cultivating Communities: Early Childhood

#### Development Center's Environmental and Nutritional Curriculum

Bugesera, Rwanda  
Nerea Amorós Elorduy, Tomà Berlanda, Zeno Riondato, Michelle Stadelman, Francesco Stassi, Alice Tasca | ASA Studio

#### Mind the Step

São Paulo, SP, Brazil  
Alejandra Maria Devecchi, Anna Gabriela Hoverter Callejas, José Eduardo Bittar, Nathália Cavalcante Pantolfi, Rafaella Basile, Ramiro Levy | Cidade Ativa

#### Porosity Play: Schoolyard Watershed Learning Game

Los Angeles, California, United States  
Rennie Tang | Cal Poly Pomona Department of Landscape Architecture

#### PUPstops

Indianapolis, Indiana, United States  
Jonathan Allinson | People for Urban Progress

#### Spaces of/for Urban Life: Requalifying Alleys in Brazilian Favelas

Sao Paulo, SP, Brazil  
Eduardo Pimentel Pizarro | University of Sao Paulo, School of Architecture and Urbanism (FAUUSP)

#### Y'ejo Hazaza: Mapping, Imagining, Making Public Space in Kigali

Kigali, Rwanda  
Ilaria Boniburini | Inema Art Centre, Kigali School of Architecture, University of Rwanda, Zone Association

Sept 6<sup>th</sup> 2014

Dear Urban Urge Finalist,

Congratulations once again for being selected as a finalist for the Urban Urge Awards. Unfortunately, your finalist entry was not selected to receive one of the winning Urban Urge Awards. You had tough competition with the other 22 finalists, from 5 countries across 5 continents and the judges were very impressed with the full range of entries. Your proposal is a promising one, and we hope that the recognition as a finalist by the Award Committee encourages you to pursue it further. As a reminder, you are still welcome to set up a crowd-funding page via [ioby.org](http://ioby.org) as a part of our Urge Awards program to help raise your own funds online. Let us know if you are interested and we will give them your contact information to set up a page. Note that IOBY is a US-based site so there may be limits to international funding, so you should check with them on what is possible.

The full list of award winners are on our website:

<http://www.urbanurge.org/#!urge-awards-winners/cx9v>

We hope to include all 22 finalists' entries as a part of the final event to close out the award program in 2015. So do please expect to hear from us again closer to that date. Thank you again for your tremendous effort and great ideas; your contribution has helped to truly honor the legacy of our friend and mentor, Mojdeh Baratloo, who was our inspiration for this program.

Best,

The Urban Urge Team