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The Bruner Foundation is pleased to announce the 2009 Rudy Bruner Award Finalists



Hunts Point Riverside Park, Bronx, NY

Located on the Bronx River, Hunt's Point is a 1.7 acre park that grew out of a grassroots effort to reclaim the Bronx River waterfront and gain open space for one of the most underserved neighborhoods in New York.



Inner-City Arts, Los Angeles

Inner-City Arts is a downtown art education facility that provides art instruction to a large population of at-risk children and youth in Los Angeles.



Millennium Park, Chicago

Millennium Park is a new 24 acre park in downtown Chicago that has transformed underutilized space into venues for art, music, architecture and a wide variety of public events.



St. Joseph Rebuild Center, New Orleans

St. Joseph Rebuild Center is a day center for homeless individuals providing a comprehensive approach to services and a prototype for quality temporary space in disaster situations.



The Community Chalkboard and Podium: An Interactive Monument to Free Expression, Charlottesville, VA

A 54-foot community chalkboard and podium dedicated to public expression and located adjacent to city hall in a major downtown public plaza.

The 2009 Rudy Bruner Award Selection Committee included:

- ❖ Mayor David N. Cicilline, Providence, RI
- ❖ Michael A. Dobbins, Professor of Practice, College of Architecture, Georgia Tech
- ❖ Mary Houghton, President, ShoreLine Bank Corp., Chicago
- ❖ Grace E. La, La Dallman Architects Inc., Milwaukee, WI
- ❖ Jair Lynch, Jair Lynch Development Partners, Washington D.C.
- ❖ Martha Welborne, Managing Director, Grand Avenue Committee, Los Angeles

The Rudy Bruner Award process:

- ❖ In the coming months the Bruner Foundation will pay site visits to each of the finalist projects.
- ❖ In May, the Selection Committee will meet again to elevate one of the finalists to Gold Medal status (\$50,000).
- ❖ The remaining four projects will become Silver Medal winners, (\$10,000). The Foundation congratulates each of these outstanding urban projects.
- ❖ In the coming year the Foundation will publish case studies on each winner so that others learn from their experiences.

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