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**Thank you to all of our speakers, volunteers, sponsors, exhibitors,
and attendees who made the 2024 Symposium successful!**



**Photo of the Month:
ASLA Oregon at the NW Youth
Careers Expo**

ASLA Oregon members attended the Northwest Youth Careers Expo and shared information with high schoolers about what landscape architects do, and hosted a fun interactive urban design activity.

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1. Apply for the DLCD Advisory Committee on Community Green Infrastructure Investment - Due April 28
2. **Apply to serve on the ASLA Executive Committee Board - Due May 13**

Northwest Playground Equipment Inc April CEU Opportunity

Spring has arrived, urging us to embrace the outdoors where shade structures become essential for a delightful experience. They offer a convenient spot to sit, meet, eat,

gather, and conduct business outdoors while taking in the scenery. With warmer days ahead, more people are inclined to spend time outdoors, highlighting the importance of shade in creating inviting outdoor spaces. Join us for our April CEU session with **USA Shade**: Best Practices for Design and Specification of Fabric Shade Structures.

Topic: Meaningful Placemaking for Outdoor Spaces: Best Practices for Design and Specification of Fabric Shade Structures

Course Credits: American Society of Landscape Architects (1 HSW Credit)

Learning Objectives:

- Discuss the protective benefits of shaded outdoor spaces from UV rays for people, product, and places.
- Describe the factors to integrate fabric structures into the built environment for safe and inviting spaces.
- Define considerations in the specification of fabric shade structures and how shade structures are tested and rated for safety and longevity.

Date & Time:

- Thursday, April 18th at 1 pm PST

Register here!



Free, virtual event **Tuesday, April 30, 10:00-11:15AM ET**, “Soak it Up: Designing with and for Flooding”. Learn from 2023 Oberlander Prize laureate Kongjian Yu and Pieter Schengenga how climate-change-accelerated urban flooding can be transformed into an opportunity to serve social and ecological needs; moderated by Elizabeth K. Meyer.

1 LA CES™ professional development hours will be available to attendees, pending approval. Register now: <https://www.tclf.org/soak-it-designing-and-flooding>.

ASLA Oregon Biodiversity and Climate Action Committee’s “Drawdown” Series:

Part One, Biochar

Are you biochar curious? For the first installment of ASLA Oregon’s Climate Action’s “Drawdown” series, we are presenting two events in May exploring landscape applications of biochar – a multifaceted material that can sequester carbon and improve plant health.

Biochar in Concrete

Saturday, May 4

11:30 – 2:15 - Lunch and Learn event at Remy Wines

Learn about Oregon’s first biochar concrete slab! Solar Oregon’s tour of Remy Wines (near McMinnville, OR) will include a lunchtime presentation by John Mead of Solid

Carbon on the winery's biochar concrete slab. Our special rate includes lunch and a wine tasting by Remy Wines.

\$40 (Your own transportation). PROMO CODE: "LUNCHANDLEARN"

9:00-5:30 Solar Wine Tour – entire day, three wineries

Alternatively, spend the day and visit three wineries on Solar Oregon's 2024 Solar Wine Tour.

\$60. (Includes bus transportation from Portland.) PROMO CODE: "ASLA"

Learn more and sign up [here](#).

(With the promo codes, you do not need to become a Solar Oregon member to join).

Learn more about the biochar concrete slab at Remy Wines here:

[Eco-concrete is Cementing Itself as a Climate Solution | Outrider](#)

Biochar in Soils

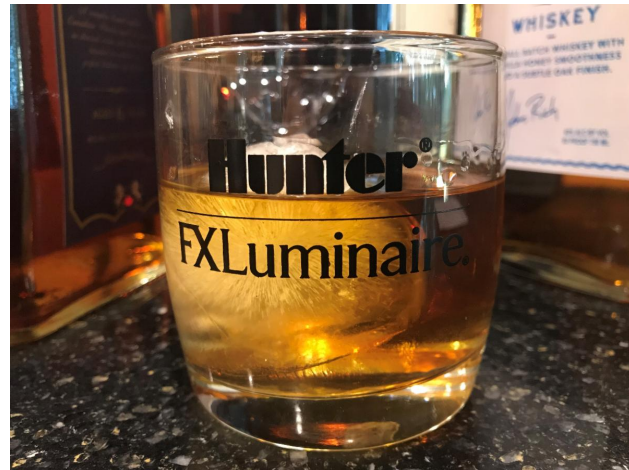
12:00-1:15, Thursday May 16 (1 PDH)

Join us for a webinar on biochar and the many co-benefits of using it as a soil amendment in landscape projects. Presented by Myles Gray, Program Director of the United States Biochar Initiative, and Justin Roberts, a Seattle-based landscape designer who studied municipal biochar planting projects in Sweden.

Sign up [here](#)

PDX ASLA Happy Hour

Are you a Landscape Architect or working towards becoming one? New to Portland and hoping to meet other LA peers? Then you should come meet other PROFESSIONALS on Thursday, May 9th at Rogue Eastside Pub for a fun, low-key social gathering. Drinks and food are on Hunter Irrigation, and the first 20 who RSVP will receive a whiskey highball glass and whiskey stones to take home! We hope to see you there!



When: Thursday, May 9th

Time: 5:30 - 7:30 pm

Where: Rogue Eastside Pub

928 SE 9th Ave, Portland, OR 97214

RSVP date: Wednesday, May 8th (All are welcome but you must RSVP to receive a whiskey highball glass)

RSVP by emailing ep@aslaoregon.org

How to find us: One of your EP co-chairs will be hosting - see the link for our pictures: <https://www.aslaoregon.org/executive-committee>. Additionally, we will try to have a small sign on our table for ASLA.

Using Repeat Photography in Professional Practice as Landscape Architect, Planner, or Architect

ASLA Oregon Mt. Hood Section in partnership with Victor Stanley are pleased to announce a workshop and field session on repeat photography applications and methods. The workshop includes classroom time, a guided field session in the South Park Blocks, and discussion time.

This course provides 3 PDH credits (Note: currently the session is being evaluated for LACES HSW).

This workshop is co-led by Rachel Edmonds, PLA (MIG), project manager for the 2021 South Park Blocks Master Plan, and Anne C Godfrey, Associate Professor of Landscape Architecture at SUNY ESF, and author of the three volumes series Active Landscape Photography, published by Routledge Press.

The tour will be followed by a happy hour at Forte, 400 SW 6 th Avenue, sponsored by Victor Stanley. Information on how to purchase any of the three volumes will be provided.

Click [here](#) to register for the Repeat Photography workshop, field session, and happy hour by 5/28.

Date: Thursday, May 30, 2024



DLCD is Seeking Members for an Advisory Committee on Community Green Infrastructure Investment

Applications will be accepted through Sunday, April 28, 2024.

In 2023, the Oregon Legislature created the **Community Green Infrastructure Grant Program** and put \$6.5 million into a fund administered by the Department of Land Conservation and Development (DLCD). Green infrastructure is infrastructure that includes or mimics natural systems, such as urban green space, parks, rain gardens, bioswales and trees. It provides a wide array of social, environmental, and economic benefits.

The program will award grants in four categories:

- Planning and developing community Green Infrastructure Projects
- Planning and developing Community Green Infrastructure Economic Development Projects, which are Green Infrastructure Projects that employ members of a community that benefits from the project
- Developing or supporting native seed banks or native plant nurseries

- Supporting and implementing green infrastructure master plans
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DLCD is seeking members for an Advisory Committee on Community Green Infrastructure Investment to advise on the implementation of the Community Green Infrastructure Grant program and make biennial reports to the legislature on the program.

Apply to Serve on the Advisory Committee

Committee Meetings

The committee will meet virtually starting in May 2024. Meetings will generally last between one and two hours. The committee will meet more frequently during the spring, likely bi-weekly. Meetings will become less frequent as the program is implemented, moving to monthly and then quarterly by fall of 2024.

Run for Office!

Nominations for the Executive Committee (ExCom) opened April 11 and run until Monday, May 13th. Learn more [here](#).

JOB POSTINGS

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