

LDA Design Bursary Challenge

The reimagined post-pandemic neighbourhood

In the UK, there is intense pressure to deliver new housing within our cities but this year it has been overlaid with the challenges of the pandemic combined with climate change. We have seen people behave differently and use our cities more intensively. It has been a time for reflection whilst listening to the reaction of urban communities and a moment that has brought the key priorities for the future of our cities into focus. Landscape architects and urban designers have a vital role to play in shaping the post pandemic city through planning and design.

We want you to reimagine an existing piece of city, or maybe a new piece of city - real or imagined. It might be a network of streets with a square or a park, or at a slightly larger scale, a small neighbourhood. Thinking about what you have observed and learned about city living during 2020, how can it support more people and at the same time become more liveable as well as more responsive to climate change?

In your submission, please describe the reimagined neighbourhood in any way you wish, through words (1,000 word limit) or drawings (2 x A2 max) or video (five minutes max).

If you are excited by this challenge, then we would love to hear from you.

Assessing responses to this challenge

In assessing entries we will be looking for evidence of connecting people and place through landscape, and for ideas that challenge the status quo and which reflect and respond to LDA Design's [values](#).

The judges will use five criteria:

1. People, their wellbeing and needs are at the heart of the response.
2. Solutions are responsive to the place and context.
3. There is a clear response to the environmental challenges facing society.
4. A creative and innovative approach is demonstrated in both ideas and their communication.
5. A beautiful and delightful place would be created, where people would love to be.

Responses will be evaluated depending on levels of experience.

We will take great care in making our decisions to award and all decisions are final. The award is conditional on your enrolling and/or continuing with your degree or post-graduate studies.

Please email or WeTransfer your entry and your completed application form to:
bursaries@lda-design.co.uk

Good luck.