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## **CANADIAN SOCIETY OF LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTS GIVES HONOR AWARD TO NATHAN PHILLIPS SQUARE GREEN ROOF**

Chicago, IL – Hoerr Schaudt Landscape Architects is proud to announce that a 2011 Regional Honor Award of Excellence for the green roof at Nathan Phillips Square was given in March to the design team for the project by the Canadian Society of Landscape Architects. Hoerr Schaudt, the landscape architect for the project led by PLANT Architect/ STIP in Joint Venture, was instrumental in the planting design for the project. The roof, on the podium of Toronto's City Hall, is the largest publicly-accessible green roof in Canada.

The planting design of the green roof responds specifically to Toronto's harsh climate using deeper soil profiles to allow grasses and native perennials to thrive. These plants provide height, an important design element within such a vast garden, as well as winter texture and seasonal color that shifts with the changing seasons. The jury commended the overall design of the roof as "a visually striking, brave solution that created juxtaposition in the centre of the city, making a person look at the adjacent lands in a different way."

The green roof at City Hall is the first phase of a larger redevelopment project for all of Nathan Phillips Square, a large public square that is the civic heart of Toronto. In 2007, Hoerr Schaudt was on the winning team to redesign the square. Phase II of the project is currently underway.

See photos of the project here: <http://www.hoerschaudt.com/civic/nathan-phillips-square.php>

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