

ASLA TEAMS UP WITH EARTHDAY.ORG FOR THE GREAT GLOBAL CLEANUP 2021 DURING WORLD LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE MONTH

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As part of this year's [World Landscape Architecture Month](#) celebration in April, the American Society of Landscape Architects (ASLA) is teaming up with EarthDay.org to sponsor [The Great Global Cleanup 2021](#).

Throughout the month of April, ASLA members will join together to organize and execute local cleanup projects as part of the Great Global Cleanup's third official year.

"This April, ASLA is celebrating the work of landscape architects to help communities grow together, with each other and with their natural surroundings. Pollution is a prodigious issue in public open spaces - causing flooding, spreading illness, contaminating water sources, and at the root of a myriad of other problems," said Torey Carter-Conneen, CEO of ASLA. "We're incredibly proud to partner with EarthDay.org on the Great Global Cleanup initiative during World Landscape Architecture Month to combat this issue and support healthy, resilient, and sustainable open spaces for all."

Now in its third year, the Great Global Cleanup is building on its record as the world's largest coordinated volunteer event, providing opportunities for individuals and organizations to make positive, tangible impacts on our environment. Emerging from the coronavirus pandemic and guided by updated safety protocols, the collective goal in April 2021 is to remove millions more pieces of trash from our green spaces, urban communities, and waterways.

"Plastic and other types of pollution challenge every community every day," said Kathleen Rogers, EARTHDAY.ORG President. "They are contaminating our oceans, clogging our drains, causing floods, spreading disease, transmitting respiratory infections and killing wildlife; and low-income communities suffer the worst impacts. Thank you to ASLA for joining our efforts to restore our natural and urban landscapes."

ABOUT WORLD LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE MONTH

April is [World Landscape Architecture Month \(WLAM\)](#). Established by the American Society of Landscape Architects (ASLA), WLAM is a month-long international celebration of landscape architecture and designed public and private spaces. People and communities around the world have deep, long-standing personal connections to the spaces landscape architects create – they're just not aware of it. During WLAM, ASLA and landscape architects around the world aim to demonstrate that connection by highlighting landscape architect-designed spaces. Learn more at www.asla.org/wlam