

## CONFERENCE OVERVIEW

The Council of Educators in Landscape Architecture (CELA) is pleased to announce the CELA 2020 conference, *100 Years of CELA: Deep Time*. The conference will be held from March 18-21 at the Louisville Marriott Downtown in Louisville, Kentucky. CELA will celebrate 100 years of historically significant events which changed the course of Landscape Architecture (LA) education as well as surmise the current state of the profession and investigate courses of action, direction, and vision that will propel CELA as a leader in supporting LA research, service and teaching for the next 100 years. With almost 1,000 members from over 90 institutions around the world, the annual conference offers the opportunity to present and exchange global ideas which impact the future of the LA profession.

CELA 2020 is introducing three new theme tracks: Geo-spatial and Digital Analytics, Landscape Architecture for Health, and 100 Years of CELA: Past, Present, and Future. Along with keynote speakers, a variety of preconference workshops, and social events, the poster, paper, and panel presentations will provide sessions that concentrate on the standard track themes.

Louisville, Kentucky is the home to Churchill Downs, the Louisville Slugger Museum, several Kentucky Bourbon distilleries, host of the Kentucky Derby Horse Race, and location of many outstanding landscape architecture projects to tour. The opening reception will be held at the Mohammad Ali Center, Louisville Riverfront. Other events include a Kentucky Derby themed party and several local field sessions

## CONFERENCE THEME TRACK

*100 Years of CELA: Past, Present, and Future* accepts abstracts, papers, panels, or posters that reflect the past, present, and future of CELA and the profession of Landscape Architecture Education. These include, but are not limited to: 1) documenting historically significant events which changed the course of LAR Education and/or CELA, 2) evaluating and surmising the current state of the profession, and 3) proposing courses of action, direction, and vision that will propel CELA as a leader in supporting LA research, service and teaching for the next 100 years.

A small selection of full paper submissions from this track will be asked to move forward as a special issue for *Landscape Journal* on 100 Years of CELA

## SUBMISSION GUIDELINES

- Each person is limited to *two* first-author submissions in order to provide opportunities for as many participants as possible. Additional submissions beyond two will be automatically withdrawn by the conference committee without notifying the author.
- All abstracts are limited to a maximum of **400** words. Abstracts over 400 words will be automatically cut to length by the conference committee without notifying the author. All authors of abstracts accepted for presentation and who attend the conference are invited to submit a full paper for review and possible publication in *Landscape Research Record*

### Deadline

Monday, September 16, 2019, 12:00am author's time zone

## **SUBMISSION CRITERIA**

CELA strongly recommends that the following criteria be specified in your abstract. These criteria will be used to evaluate your abstract.

1. **PURPOSE:** Is the purpose of the study stated? How can the purpose of the study be stated more clearly? (For example, the purpose of the study is to evaluate the performance of bioretention systems with and without the internal water storage layer.)
2. **BACKGROUND:** How can the background information be improved to provide a better context for the study?
3. **METHODS:** What is missing from the description of the method(s) that would enable a better understanding of how the study was carried out?
4. **FINDINGS:** How can the main findings be improved to make them more concise, logical, and clear?
5. **IMPORTANCE:** What would make the importance of the study more convincing?

## **First author responsibilities**

1. The first author of a presentation, poster (interactive presentation), or panel will be the primary contact and will be responsible for distributing communications to co-authors
2. After an abstract is accepted, first authors must register and attend the conference in order for the paper, poster or film to be included in the conference proceedings
3. Three panel presenters must register and attend the conference in order to be included in the conference proceedings
4. Conference sessions will be scheduled based on first author only and on panel participation

## **Information needed for abstract submission**

- Abstract title
- Student (yes or no)
- Author's name(s), organization(s), email(s), & PhD (yes or no)
- Topic Area or Track
- Keywords
- Abstract (400-word max.)
- References & Citations.

## **Topic Areas or Tracks**

There are currently 12 standard CELA tracks (complete descriptions for each track can be found at <http://thecela.org/conference-tracks/>):

- Communication and Visualization
- Design Education and Pedagogy

- Design Implementation (LA CES)
- History, Theory and Culture
- Landscape Performance (LA CES)
- Landscape Planning & Ecology (LA CES)
- People-Environment Relationships
- Research and Methods
- Sustainability (LA CES)
- Urban Design
- Research by Design
- Film

In addition to the standard tracks, the CELA Board of Directors accepts proposals for special tracks that address current issues in LA Education. For CELA 2020, there are three approved special tracks:

- Landscape Architecture for Health
- Geo-spatial and Digital Analytics
- The Conference Theme Track, 100 Years of CELA: Past, Present, and Future.

### **LA CES Tracks**

LA CES tracks include Design Implementation, Landscape Performance, Landscape Planning and Ecology, and Sustainability. Authors who submit an abstract for these tracks must include 3-5 learning outcomes and bios of all authors (50 word max. each author) in the “Comments” box.

This information will be assessed as required by the Landscape Architecture Continuing Education System (LA CES). LA CES criteria can be found online at: <https://laces.asla.org/ApprovedProviderGuidelines.aspx>.

### **EXAMPLE**

Learning Outcomes:

1. Learn how to determine the major functions and components of a green roof.
2. Identify the factors that influence costs.
3. Learn how to utilize an integrated design process in your project for maximum benefit.

Author Bio:

1. John Radke Ph.D. University of British Columbia.  
Associate Professor of City & Regional Planning and Landscape Architecture & Environmental Planning, University of California, Berkeley.
2. Dr. Radke is interested in Geographic Information Systems; database design and construction; spatial analysis; pattern recognition; computational morphology; environmental assessment; landscape characterization; and potential modeling.

## **Panel Submission Guidelines**

Panels are integrated presentations on a single topic offered by four or five people. Panel proposals require a full description of the topic, the rationale for its importance, presentation structure, and four names of the panelists who have committed to participate as speakers. Panels will be scheduled with concurrent paper sessions.

**\*\*A minimum of three panelist must register and attend the conference to be included in the conference proceedings\*\***

## **Poster Submission Guidelines**

Authors of poster submissions are encouraged to watch "How to Create a Better Research Poster in Less Time" (with templates) for ideas and guidance: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1RwJbhkCA58>.

## **Film Submission Guidelines**

The CELA will accept film submissions as a research method or creative process. Films respond to the traditional CELA track themes or Host Theme Track and authors are expected to register and attend the conference. The film screening will be held during a special event at the conference with no introductions.

- Authors submitting film are required to submit both a written abstract and a video/film
- All video/film submissions must be password protected and uploaded to Vimeo or YouTube by the abstract submission deadline. The written abstract must include a URL link and password
- Maximum length of a video or film submission is 15 minutes

In addition to the conference screening, authors have the option of submitting a full paper for review to any of the CELA tracks.

## **Student Submissions**

CELA encourages student submissions. PhD students may submit as single author. All other students must be co-authored with a faculty advisor. Abstracts without this specification will be withdrawn without notifying the author. Students submitting posters must attend the conference. Student submissions must have a full-time student as the primary author and be mostly written by students.

## **Letter of Exception for Travel**

The State of California currently has a travel ban against 10 states due to their legislations recently passing discriminatory laws, mostly against LGBTQ communities. Kentucky is one of them. However, the California Legislature created exceptions in AB 1887 that allow travel to the banned states in certain circumstances. (Gov. Code, § 11139.8, subd. (c).) Specifically, AB 1887 does not apply to state travel that is required for any of the following purposes:

1. Enforcement of California law, including auditing and revenue collection.
2. Litigation.
3. To meet contractual obligations incurred before January 1, 2017.
4. To comply with requests by the federal government to appear before committees.
5. To participate in meetings or training required by a grant or required to maintain grant funding.
6. To complete job-required training necessary to maintain licensure or similar standards required for holding a position, in the event that comparable training cannot be obtained in California or a different state not subject to the travel prohibition.
7. For the protection of public health, welfare, or safety, as determined by the affected agency, department, board, authority, or commission, or by the affected legislative office. (Gov. Code, § 11139.8, subd. (c).)

The CELA agrees that all discrimination is wrong, however, it believes that the CELA 2020 conference program in Louisville, Kentucky, is unique in its offerings and these offerings are only available at CELA and not anywhere in California. We believe that the CELA 2020 conference meets exceptions stated in numbers 4 – 7. The CELA will provide a Letter of Exception for anyone wishing to apply for an exemption to the travel ban to attend the CELA 2020 Conference in Louisville, Kentucky.