Brussels Architecture Prize

2023

PRESS RELEASE

NOMINATED PROJECTS





THE NOMINEES FOR THE BRUSSELS ARCHITECTURE PRIZE ARE KNOWN

The second edition of the Brussels Architecture Prize was launched last March 2023. This Prize awards recent outstanding architectural projects that contribute to the spatial quality of the Brussels Capital Region. Entries closed successfully at midnight on 20 April 2023. We received more than 170 entries in four categories. This summer, the jury selected the nominees for this second edition.

Last June, the jury members met to visit the submitted projects. Dorte Mandrup (chairman of the jury, Dorte Mandrup Arkitekter A/S), Markus Bader (raumlabor), Meriem Chabani (New South), Kaye Geipel (bauwelt), Eva Prats (Flores y Prats Arquitectos) and Job Floris (Monadnock) were impressed by the multitude and quality of architectural production in Brussels.

The members of the jury were chosen by the scientific committee, which consists of cultural, educational and regional players from Brussels. They chose to compose an international jury, not only to ensure impartiality, but above all to provide an outside view of Brussels architectural production.

THE NOMINEES

The jury members selected a total of 24 projects in four categories:

LARGE INTERVENTION



51N4E Victoria, Sint-Josse-ten-Noode



URA YVES MALYSSE KIKI VERBEECK BTL, Laeken



GEURST & SCHULZE ARCHITECTEN + JAVA ARCHITECTENGRAB Schaarbeek, Schaerbeek



GÉNÉRALE ASSEMBLÉE D'ARCHITECTESBrasserie de la Senne, Laeken



AGWAESP KARREVELD, Molenbeek-Saint-Jean



DDS+ &BOGDAN NovaCity I, Anderlecht

PUBLIC SPACE



BOB361 ARCHITECTSIntertwining Urban Ecology, Forest



FILTER CAFÉ FILTRÉ ATELIER
Openstreets 2020 – 2022, Molenbeek-Saint-Jean



BUUR PART OF SWECOMasterplan and public space design Nieuwstraat, Brussels



LANDINZICHT LANDSCHAPSARCHITECTENParc Pannenhuis, Laeken



MSA + NEY & PARTNERS ENGINEERING Ixelles Highline, Ixelles



GÉNÉRALE ASSEMBLÉE D'ARCHITECTESParc urbain de la Jonction, Bruxelles Centre

SMALL INTERVENTION



V+ Maison Jupiter, Forest



VERS.A VDB, Ixelles



VICTOIRE CHANCEL & CARLA FRICK-CLOUPET Théâtre Océan Nord, Schaerbeek



HÉ! ARCHITECTEN KARPER, Molenbeek-Saint-Jean



KARBON' ARCHITECTURE & URBANISME 334 CYGNES, Ixelles



LHOAS & LHOAS ARCHITECTESHousing Lievevrouwbroersstraat, Brussels centre

EXTRA MUROS



NOA ARCHITECTEN Het Steen, Antwerp



OFFICE KERSTEN GEERS DAVID VAN SEVEREN 165 CREMATORIUM, Ostend



BUREAU BAS SMETSArles Luma Parc des Ateliers, Arles



AAC ARCHITECTURE & A20Kabo Beringen, Beringen-Beverlo



&BOGDANBijgaardehof, Ghent



LABEL ARCHITECTURE Love pt. II, Gerpinnes

The winners of the four categories will be announced on Tuesday 12th of December 2023 at the festive award ceremony at the Palais des Beaux Arts in Brussels.

Discover all the projects in detail on the BAP website → → → brusselsarchitectureprize.be/en/

HONOURABLE MENTIONS

The jury will also award two honourable mentions, one for a young emerging agency located in the Brussels-Capital Region: the Young Promising Architect. The other for a Brussels office or architect who has been able to bring about positive changes for Brussels thanks to years of commitment: the Lifetime Achievement. The honourable mentions, like the winners, will be awarded during the awards ceremony on Tuesday 12th of December.

PUBLIC JURY

The public will also have a voice: it can vote for its favourite project among the nominees in all categories combined via the <u>BAP website</u>. The project with the most votes will win the public award of the Brussels Architecture Prize 2023.

EXHIBITION

The 24 nominated projects will be exhibited in the Ravenstein gallery from November. Thanks to this exhibition, the public can help think about quality architecture and public space, and will also have the chance to vote for one of the nominated projects. More info will be announced on our website.

ARCHIWEEK

Archiweek is organized each year by Urban in the Brussels region. It ambitions to discover with the public the quality of contemporary architecture. Consisting of guided tours of projects, open houses at architecture offices, symposia, workshops, conferences and exhibitions, this event is free of charge. From 10 to 19 November 2023, for its fifth edition, archiweek will be showcasing the projects nominated by the BAP jury, allowing the public to visit them over the weekend of 18 and 19 November, before voting for the People's Choice Award.

DEBATES

A lecture series will also be organised at CIVA during the exhibition. The 24 architects of the selected projects will be invited to participate in talks on a variety of themes, including (re)densification, "as-found" in architecture, the interface between architecture and landscape, and social inclusion. This will address the topical themes that guided the international jury during the judging. Further details will be announced on our website.

AWARD CEREMONY

The festive closing event of the Brussels Architecture Prize will be the award ceremony on Tuesday 12th of December, with a ceremony at the Brussels Palais des Beaux Arts.

PUBLICATION

The special issue A+305 will be entirely dedicated to the Brussels Architecture Prize. Not only will the nominees and laureates be presented, but each entry will also receive its own article. There will also be room for quotes from the Jury, a longer article explaining architecture in Brussels and interviews.

THE BRUSSELS ARCHITECTURE PRIZE

The Brussels Architecture Prize is an initiative of the Brussels Capital Region implemented by Urban in co-production with A+ Architecture in Belgium.

Every two years, the Brussels Architecture Prize awards outstanding architectural projects that contribute to the spatial quality of the Brussels Capital Region. This prize was awarded for the first time in 2021.

The Prize is supported by a number of partners such as the Brussels Bouwmeester - Maître architecte, the CIVA, the Cellule architecture of the Fédéreation Wallonie-Bruxelles, ICA/WB, the architecture faculties of KULeuven and ULB-La Cambre-Horta and BOZAR.

The Brussels Architecture Prize highlights Brussels as a metropolis with great spatial qualities where both established names and young architects can gain a foothold, as a laboratory for contemporary architecture and urban planning where innovative projects are actively supported, and as a source of inspiration for an urban policy that reaches far beyond the region's borders.

"The Brussels Architecture Prize is a platform for architects to showcase their talent in one of Belgium's most complex and inspiring urban contexts, namely Brussels. With this prize, A+ Architecture in Belgium puts qualitative architecture and urban planning in the spotlight and shows their impact on the fabrication and experience of the city". — **Lisa De Visscher**, A+, Artistic Director

"I am delighted to open this second edition of the Brussels Architecture Prize. This cultural initiative showcases exemplary architectural achievements that help to construct and enhance our heritage. This initiative is in line with Urban's objective of raising awareness of the importance of high-quality architecture and contributes to the enhancement and influence of the Brussels Capital Region". — **Bety Waknine**, Urban, General Director

"Architects literally shape our city, they help make Brussels a city tailored to all its inhabitants. The quality of both our public spaces and our buildings is improving enormously. With the Brussels Architecture Prize, we first and foremost want to show that we appreciate the fine work of our architects and we also want to encourage them to continue working on a Brussels for everyone". — **Ans Persoons**, Brussels State Secretary for Town Planning

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The Brussels-Capital Region is implementing an ambitious urban planning policy, under the authority of Secretary of State Ans Persoons. Urban translates this policy into concrete action, notably through a policy of raising citizens' awareness of quality architecture, and by highlighting the Brussels architectural scene and its crucial role in building the city of tomorrow.

A+ ARCHITECTURE IN BELGIUM

By means of a magazine, a digital platform, as well as the organization of international lectures, A+ is the benchmark in architecture in Belgium.

By cataloguing, stimulating reflection and encouraging promotion, A+ Architecture in Belgium aims to showcase and stimulate architects, administrators, manufacturers and clients in order to contribute to the construction of a qualitative built environment, while at the same time building bridges between the regions, the communities and the international sphere.

A+ Architecture in Belgium is a non-profit organization founded by architects in 1973.





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