

# OKLAHOMA CHAPTER AWARD NOMINATIONS

## GREAT NEIGHBORHOOD, STREET OR PUBLIC SPACE

Great Places in America single out places of exemplary character, quality and planning; places with a unique identity, cultural interest, community involvement, and a sustainable vision for tomorrow.

### **Neighborhood Characteristics:**

- Has a variety of functional attributes that contribute to a resident's day-to-day living (i.e. residential, commercial, or mixed-uses).
- Accommodates multi-modal transportation (i.e. pedestrians, bicyclists, drivers).
- Has design and architectural features that are visually interesting.
- Encourages human contact and social activities.
- Promotes community involvement and maintains a secure environment.
- Promotes sustainability and responds to climatic demands.
- Has a memorable character.

### **Street Characteristics:**

- Provides orientation to its users, and connects well to the larger pattern of ways.
- Balances the competing needs of the street — driving, transit, walking, cycling, servicing, parking, drop-offs, etc.
- Fits the topography and capitalizes on natural features.
- Is lined with a variety of interesting activities and uses that create a varied streetscape.
- Has urban design or architectural features that are exemplary in design.
- Relates well to its bordering uses — allows for continuous activity, doesn't displace pedestrians to provide access to bordering uses.
- Encourages human contact and social activities.
- Employs hardscape and/or landscape to great effect.
- Promotes safety of pedestrians and vehicles and promotes use over the 24-hour day.
- Promotes sustainability through minimizing runoff, reusing water, ensuring groundwater quality, minimizing heat islands, and responding to climatic demands.
- Is well maintained, and capable of being maintained without excessive costs.
- Has a memorable character.

### **Public Spaces Characteristics:**

- Promotes human contact and social activities.
- Is safe, welcoming, and accommodating for all users.
- Has design and architectural features that are visually interesting.
- Promotes community involvement.
- Reflects the local culture or history.
- Relates well to bordering uses.
- Is well maintained.
- Has a unique or special character.



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# OKLAHOMA CHAPTER AWARD NOMINATION FORM

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Type:    \_\_\_ Great Neighborhood    \_\_\_ Great Street    \_\_\_ Great Public Space

Name of Nomination: \_\_\_\_\_

Location (City): \_\_\_\_\_

For streets, start and end points: \_\_\_\_\_

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## NOMINATOR

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Title/Organization: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

## SALIENT FEATURES

List four or five salient features or reasons that make the nomination outstanding and worthy of a Great Places in Oklahoma designation. Oklahoma's program follows the National APA criteria, so for more information and guidelines go to <http://www.planning.org/greatplaces/>.

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*Submit nomination form and 6-8 digital images showing the nomination's outstanding qualities with captions highlighting the salient features listed above via drop box by July 15, 2016. A one-page narrative is optional. Nominations of interest with satisfactory photos will be considered.*

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