

Call for Entries 2025: WaveMaker Awards Program



****Submission Due Date:** Friday July 11, 2025**

SUBMISSION REQUIREMENTS

The ULI Baltimore District Council is now accepting applications for the 2025 WaveMaker Awards. Projects must be located within the following Maryland counties: Allegheny, Anne Arundel, Baltimore, Baltimore City, Caroline, Carroll, Cecil, Dorchester, Fredrick, Garrett, Harford, Howard, Kent, Queen Anne's, Somerset, Talbot, Washington, Wicomico, or Worcester. Applicants shall pay close attention to the below required information along with the Judging Criteria as both are directly correlated to the overall scoring process. Applications shall include:

- **Applicant name, address, phone number, and email address;**
- **All of the companies / individuals that were involved in the project;**
- **A 2-3 sentence "overview" paragraph describing the project;**
- **A brief description of how the project meets the Judging Criteria, based on the following section below;**
- **Project completion date (no later than 9/1/2025);**
- **Any other pertinent information the applicant wishes to include;**
- **High-resolution images of plans and/or photographs, preferred over renderings, that clearly demonstrate the project and help in the evaluation of the application; and**
- **Point of contact for Award Submission**
- **Submit a featured image and 2-3 additional images for ULI Marketing purposes**
- **Printed display board (size details below)**

All submissions are due by **July 11, 2025 @ 11:59pm**. Email all applications to Lisa.Norris@uli.org and mail a check for \$250 made payable to:

The Urban Land Institute of Baltimore
c/o Lisa Norris
1401 Porter Street, #540
Baltimore, MD 21230

A **printed display board** is also part of the submission requirements. The board should, at minimum, provide project name, location, team, and high-resolution images. Boards shall be 36 x 36 inches standard foam core board and are due no later **than 4:00pm on July 18, 2025**. You can take your board with you after the event and or let Lisa know when you will pick it up. Boards may be delivered to:

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Award winners will be announced in advance through a "marketing-style" email detailing each project. On the day of the WaveMaker event, the program will offer an exclusive 30-minute pre-

network “Meet and Greet” for winning teams. Additional details will be provided closer to the event.

JUDGING CRITERIA

Applications should clearly address the following six (6) categories and should be organized in the same manner:

- **PROJECT OVERVIEW** – provide a descriptive 2-3 sentence project overview.
- **COMPLETENESS** – describe in detail the completeness and financial viability of the project. A program and/or process (i.e. growth management strategy or publicly guided development program) must be fully implemented and must be a sound investment of private and/or public funds in terms of their success in transforming communities and neighborhoods.
- **A SENSE OF PLACE AND QUALITY** – explain how the project reflects the special characteristics of the locality, community, and region in which it is located OR creates an inspiring environment that becomes an important anchor of the surrounding community. The project shall achieve a high standard of excellence in all areas – design, construction, economics, marketing, and management.
- **SUSTAINABILITY** – describe how the project incorporates elements of sustainability such as being in a priority funding area (preferably a redevelopment or infill site), use of existing infrastructure, utilization of green technologies (building and/or site), use of alternative transportation methods and/or transit-oriented design, and addressing existing local neighborhood needs such as job training, employment growth, educational and recreational programs for all ages.
- **VISIONARY AND EMULATION** – illustrate how the project steps out from the norm, taking a concept to a brand-new level that others will want to emulate.
- **A NEED** – demonstrate that the project responds to the unique needs of the area in which it is located and to the customers it will serve.

The WaveMaker Committee highly recommends referencing recent winning submissions posted on the ULI Baltimore WaveMaker Awards [website](#) as a guide to ensure a proper, clear project application for judging. Also, please note that all 2025 winning submissions will be similarly posted on the ULI Baltimore website, so be mindful of any sensitive client / project information not intended for public viewing. We appreciate your participation and look forward to your 2024 submission!

PAST WAVEMAKER AWARD WINNERS

2024 Award Recipients

Patterson Pins
Justin Thurgood Marshall Amenity Center
The Packing House
Blandair Park
M&T Bank Exchange
Rosemont
Crook Horner Lofts
Guardian House

Legacy at Twin Rivers
City House Charles
Lifetime Achievement: Byrce Tuner
Leadership: Alex Ehlich

2023 Award Recipients

40TEN
CFG Bank Arena
Top Golf Baltimore
Lexington Market
Yard 56
The Hamlet
Sandtown Furniture Headquarters
Hotel Ulysses
Unity Hall
Sojourner Place at Oliver
Lifetime Achievement: Ed Hord
Leadership: Arjun Hosakere

2022 Award Recipients

Rash Field
410 Lofts
E21 Boone Row
Prosper on Fayette
Village Center at Stadium Place
Sheppard Pratt Behavioral Health Care Facility
St. James Place
Merriweather District
Lifetime Achievement: Mark Sapperstein
Leadership: Patrick Terranova

2021 Award Recipients

Hebrew Orphan Asylum
L On Liberty
Whitehall Mill
BASF
9 E. Mt. Royal Avenue
Watershed at Cross Street Market
SoHa Collective
Paul's Place Groundwork Kitchen
The Center for Architecture & Design
ABC Baltimore Headquarters
Guilford Hall Brewery
Lifetime Achievement: Charlie Duff
Leadership Award: Dominick Dunnigan

2020 Award Recipients

Center\West
Enoch Pratt Free Library
Paca House

Monument East
The A. Hoen & Co. Lithograph Building
Wheelhouse

2019 Award Recipients

Metro Heights
Broadway Market
Highland Haus
The Fox Building
Diageo Guinness Open Gate Brewing & Barrel House
The Lion Brothers Building
Union Craft Brewing & Collective
Leadership Award – Carrie Ann Williams

2018 Award Recipients

Nelson Kohl Apartments
1405 Point
SNF Parkway
DMG Foods
Porter Street Apartments
500 Park
1 West Mount Vernon Place
706 Giddings Avenue
Lifetime Achievement – Kurt Schmoke
Leadership Award – Steve Marker

2017 Award Recipients

Open Works
R.House
Anthem House
Sagamore Pendry Baltimore
City Arts 2
Eager Park
Sultana Education Foundation – Richard & Virginia Holt Center
The Rotunda
Mulberry at Park
North Barclay Green 3
Lifetime Achievement – Bill Struever
Leadership Award – Josh Halbedel

2016 Award Recipients

The Center for Parks and People
City Garage
10 Light Street
400 E. Pratt Street
Remington Row
Lifetime Achievement – Stanley Fine
Leadership Award – Kristian Spannhanke

2015 Award Recipients

Marketplace Fells Point
520 Park
The Lenore
The Centre
The Rouse Building
Lifetime Achievement – Donald Manekin
Leadership Award- Ed Joffe

2014 Award Recipients

Horseshoe Casino Baltimore
Social Security Administration
The Gunther Apartments
Everyman Theatre
Leake Hall at MICA
Crosswinds at Annapolis Towne Centre
Mount Vernon Mill No. 1
UMBC Performing Arts & Humanities Building
Lifetime Achievement – Chickie Grayson
Leadership Award – Conor Gilligan

2013 Award Recipients

Union Wharf
The Baltimore Design School
CBEIS The Center for the Built Environment and Infrastructure Studies at Morgan State University
The Southeast Community Development Center
Lifetime Achievement – Thomas S. Bozzuto
Leadership Award – Tommy Eckes

2012 Award Recipients

929 N. Wolfe Street
1111 Light Street
Four Seasons Hotel
Harper House
McHenry Row
Union Mill
Lifetime Achievement – David S. Cordish
Leadership Award – Kelly Cantley

2011 Award Recipients

Bosley Hall (Old Towson Jail)
The Fitzgerald
Light House Homeless Prevention Support Center
Mercy Health Services – The Mary Bunting Catherine Center
The Palisades of Towson
Thames Street Wharf
Lifetime Achievement - Jay Brodie
Leadership Award - Terry Anne Hearn & Morgan Gilligan

2010 Award Recipients

Health Care for the Homeless

Hilton Baltimore Convention Center
Bagby Furniture Building
Annapolis Town Center
Mariner Bay
Lockwood Place
Residences at Oella Mill
Lifetime Achievement - John Patarakis, Sr.

2009 Award Recipients

Legg Mason Tower
Fairfield Inn
Orchard Ridge
Silo Point
Miller's Court
American Brewery