

## Call for Entries 2026: WaveMaker Awards Program



**\*\*Submission Due Date: Friday July 10, 2026\*\***

### 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 9/1/2026);**
- **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)**
- **Applicants are encouraged to collaborate with other project team members on their award submissions.**

All submissions are due by **July 10, 2025 @ 11:59pm**. Email all applications to [Lisa.Norris@uli.org](mailto: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 17, 2026. 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 2026 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**

#### **2025 Award Recipients**

Poppleton Recreation Center  
Trenton Art Garage  
The Enolia  
The Service Center

4MLK

The Terrance at Park Heights

Perkins Square

T. Rowe Price & Point Park

Harbor Wetland at the National Aquarium

The Creativity Center

**Lifetime Achievement: Kimberly Clark**

**Leadership: Troy Marrocco**

**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: Bryce Tuner**

**Leadership: Alex Ehrlich**

**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