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Fort Erie Waterfront Strategy and Bay Beach Recognized with Top Honours

FORT ERIE (November 26, 2020) The Town of Fort Erie was recently awarded with the Grand Prize and Outstanding Achievement by the Niagara Biennial Design Awards.

The Biennial Awards builds on the tradition started by the Niagara Community Design Awards, which ran annually from 2005 to 2016, to celebrate a range of projects that exhibit design excellence.

"I'm honoured to celebrate the incredible work that goes into creating our Town's enviable public spaces. Our community is constantly evolving but our goal remains the same: to ensure diverse, affordable and safe spaces for everyone to enjoy," said Mayor Wayne Redekop.

The inaugural Grand Prize, which represents the best overall project out of all eight categories and 68 submissions, was awarded to the Fort Erie Waterfront Strategy. The strategy recognizes the entire waterfront of Fort Erie as a fundamental organizing feature of the community.

The top award of Outstanding Achievement for Landscape Architecture was awarded to the Fort Erie's Bay Beach Waterfront Park. Formerly a fenced parking lot and unusable rubble from a cottage development, the space was transformed into an accessible and inclusive waterfront park while protecting the natural environment.

More details, including the entire [list of winners](#), can be found on Niagara Region's website. A brief video of the awards presentation can also be found online. The next installment of the awards will run in 2022.