
Rudy Bruner Awards for Urban Excellence

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Founded in 1987 by Boston architect Rudy Bruner, The Rudy Bruner Award for Urban Excellence is a national award for outstanding urban places which are distinguished by quality design, and by their social, economic, and contextual contribution to the urban environment. The award strives to make these urban places, and the innovative thinking inherent in them, available for teaching and research. The presentation discussed selected Rudy Bruner Award winners, award publications and web resources, and their use in the university setting. In its 12-year history, the Rudy Bruner Award has recognized over 36 outstanding urban places across the country,

many of which embody new models of urban placemaking. The slide show included The Times Square, New York; Project Row Houses, Houston, and Post Office Square, Boston; which provide innovative models in housing, art-based community revitalization, and urban open space. In addition, discussion topics included books, web sites, and microfiche resources available on 35 past winners, and over 300 applications. The Rudy Bruner Award has been recognized by the US Conference of Mayors and the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development. This session also previewed the upcoming 1999 awards cycle.