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CTASLA member elected to profession's prestigious council

Gary Sorge of Hamden named a Fellow in the American Society of Landscape Architecture

NEW HAVEN, August 17, 2009 — A Connecticut landscape architect has been named to the Council of Fellows of the American Society of Landscape Architects (ASLA), one of the highest honors the society confers on a member.

Gary Sorge, a senior principal with Hamden firm Stantec, was nominated for the council by the Connecticut chapter of ASLA for his efforts over a 25-year career to raise the profile of landscape architects as leaders of planning and development projects. Sorge's work ranges from park and athletic facility planning, restoration, and development to mixed use, streetscape, transportation, wetland and waterfront enhancements. His projects include the master plan for Eisenhower Park in Milford, CT; the restoration design of the Soldiers' and Sailors' Monument at East Rock Park in New Haven, CT; the restoration of Central Park's Great Lawn; and the design of Heritage Field, the park that will replace Yankee Stadium in the Bronx.

"We very proud to have Gary join this impressive council of landscape architects," says Rod Cameron, president of the Connecticut Chapter of ASLA and a landscape architect at CCA, LLC, a Brookfield-based company providing civil engineering, surveying and landscape architectural services. "He's a great representative of the kind of talent and experience we have among our ranks."

Sorge was one of 33 landscape architects elected to the ASLA Council of Fellows this year, and the only one from Connecticut. (Profiles of this year's ASLA Fellows class are located at http://asla.org/ContentDetail.aspx?id=23724.) The new Fellows will be formally inducted during ASLA's annual meeting in Chicago on September 19.

Founded in 1899, ASLA is the national professional association for landscape architects, representing more than 17,000 members in 48 professional chapters

and 68 student chapters. Landscape architecture is a comprehensive discipline of land analysis, planning, design, management, preservation and rehabilitation.

Echoing the mission of the national organization, the Connecticut Chapter — with nearly 275 members across the state — aims to lead, educate and participate in the careful stewardship, wise planning and artful design of our cultural and natural environments. CTASLA strives to advance the profession of landscape architecture in Connecticut by providing educational programs, publications, information and resources to members and to those seeking to benefit from landscape architectural services.

Learn more about landscape architecture online at www.asla.org. For more information on activities of the Connecticut Chapter, please see our website at www.ctasla.org.

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[Photo of Gary Sorge available]