# NYC BIG APPLE BROWNFIELD AWARDS

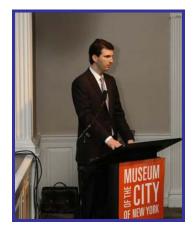
NYC Brownfield Partnership

The NYC Brownfield Partnership (Partnership) is a voluntary association of organizations involved in brownfields in New York City that is dedicated to providing benefits to NYC communities. Explore our website, www.brownfieldnyc.org, and learn more about our unique programs.

We are currently accepting nominations for the 2010 Big Apple Brownfield Awards.

#### 2009 Big Apple Brownfields Awards Program Summary

On April 13, 2009 the Partnership hosted its first annual Brownfields Award Ceremony and recognized New York's most outstanding brownfield projects in eight categories representing facets of brownfields redevelopment.

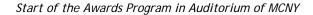


"This is a great opportunity to celebrate the people who are achieving important brownfield milestones in our City. Your visionary endeavors, tenacious advocacy, and hard work have led to projects and programs that realize sustainability goals set forth in PlaNYC," said keynote speaker Edward Skyler, NYC Deputy Mayor for Operations.

<u>PlaNYC</u>, which Mayor Michael R. Bloomberg unveiled on Earth Day 2007, presents a comprehensive blueprint for greening and growing the city and its services. The cleanup and redevelopment of brownfield sites accounts for 11 of the plans' 127 initiatives.

NYC Deputy Mayor for Operations Edward Skyler







Gathering in the Rotunda of MCNY pre - program

The event was held at the Museum of the City of New York, where attendees got a chance to view "Growing and Greening New York: PlaNYC and the Future of the City." The exhibit showcased the infrastructure and environmental challenges the city faces as it prepares for its population to reach 9 million residents by 2030.



Val Washington, Deputy Commissioner for the NYS Department of Environmental Conservation

George Pavlou, Acting Region 2 Administrator for the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency

Daniel Walsh, Director of the NYC Office of Environmental Remediation

Other guest speakers included Val Washington, Deputy Commissioner for the NYS Department of Environmental Conservation, George Pavlou, Acting Region 2 Administrator for the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, and the founder of the Partnership, Daniel Walsh, Director of the NYC Office of Environmental Remediation.

The Partnership presented its first Distinguished Lifetime Service Award to Mathy Stanislaus, recently appointed by President Barack Obama to become Assistant Administrator for the US EPA and head of the agency's Office of Solid Waste and Emergency Response. He has over two decades of experience in the environmental field and is cofounder of New Partners for Community Revitalization, a New York non-profit that works to encourage brownfield redevelopment.



Mathy Stanislaus accepting the Distinguished Lifetime Service Award



Stanislaus Family



High School students from the Metropolitan Corporate
Academy in Brooklyn read about the award winning projects
during the morning reception.



Posters of winning projects were available for viewing. Shown here are posters for Elmhurst Park in Queens and an affordable housing complex.



People in the auditorium during the award conferral ceremony



Gary Rozmus, Chairman of the Board of the NYC Partnership of Brownfield Practitioners

The event was attended by over 200 people from widely varied backgrounds and was moderated by Gary Rozmus, Chairman on the Board of the Partnership. The Partnership also recognized 9 students who received Brownfields Scholarships and the first green job trainees.



Representatives from the Partnerships founding member organizations with event speakers and the 2009 brownfield scholarship recipients.

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ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AWARD RECIPIENT

**Avalon Chrystie Place** 



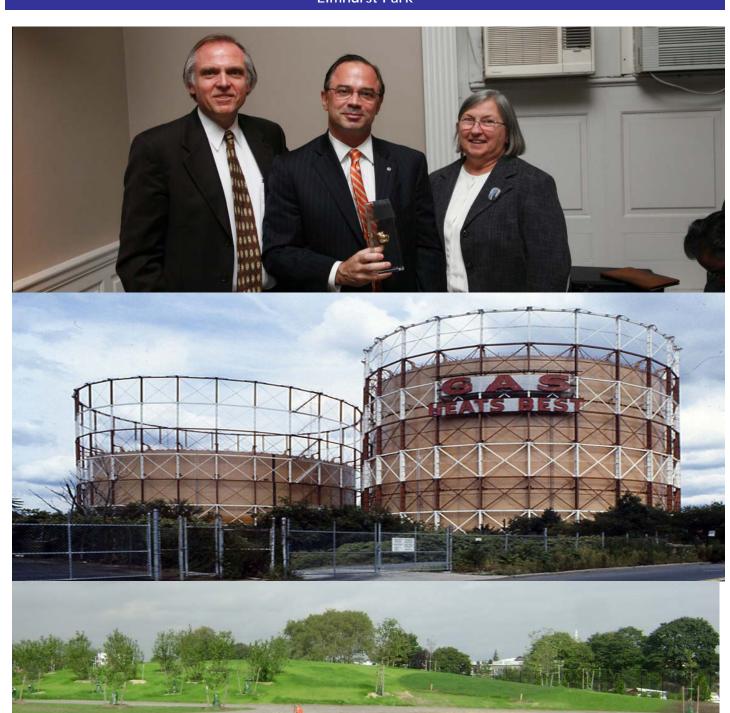




A blighted area with urban fill contamination, an underground storage tank, rundown buildings, vacant lots, and rat infestation was transformed to a vibrant mixed-use destination area and community. This project created 700 jobs, 699 apartments, 175 affordable apartments, 181 parking spots, 116,000 square feet of retail and commercial space, and 42,700 square feet for a community center.

Collaborative Partners
AvalonBay Communities, Inc.
AKRF, Inc.
Paul, Weiss, Rifkind, Wharton & Garrison LLP
SLCE Architects

# OPEN SPACE AWARD RECIPIENT Elmhurst Park



An underutilized gated former gas storage and transfer facility site was transformed into a much needed park-a place of refuge for the Queens community. Elmhurst Park upon completion will have over 650 trees planted, a comfort station with bathroom facilities, multi-use performance spaces, play spray fountains, and a children's playground.

Collaborative Partners

New York City Department of Parks and Recreation

National Grid

## **GREEN BUILDING AWARD**

#### Clinton Green Development







Underutilized for 30 to 40 years with vacant lots, rundown buildings and railroad tracks, this brownfield was transformed into 627 residential units within two "Certified Green" buildings, 13,400 square feet open park space, 4,000 square feet retail, 10,000 square feet health club facility, two existing performing arts theater companies with seven condominiums on top, and an arcade.

Collaborative Partners
The Dermot Company
Langan Engineering & Environmental Services, P.C.
Knauf Shaw, LLP
FXFowle
Bovis Lend Lease LMB

#### **ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AWARD**

#### Randall's Island Wetland Restoration







Randall's Island, formerly a salt water and freshwater wetland, was used as a dumping ground for construction debris since the mid-1800's. The site was transformed into a salt marsh and a freshwater wetland for recreation, education, and a new habitat for all kinds of plant and wildlife.

Collaborative Partners
Randall's Island Sports Foundation
New York City Economic Development Corporation
Galvin Brothers
Scenic Design, Inc.
Mercator LLC

#### COMMUNITY OUTREACH AWARD

### Rheingold Brewery Redevelopment











Despite formerly being a Rheingold Brewery site, this site was vacant and underutilized by 1996. The site has since been transformed into a 500 plus residential complex with rental apartments, condominiums, two and three family homes, and cooperatives. The site is also home to a community center, retail and office space, a senior center, and a not-for-profit home attendant program.

Collaborative Partners
Ridgewood Bushwick Senior Citizens Council, Inc.
Impact Environmental
The Bluestone Group
Magnusson Architecture and Planning, PC
David Lawrence Mammina Architecture

#### **COLLABORATION AWARD**

### The Kenneth Gladstone Remediation Project



An underutilized site contaminated by former underground storage tanks and a dry cleaner transformed into an apartment building managed by Jewish Home Lifecare, the largest not-for-profit multi-site senior living homecare providers. The Kenneth Gladstone Building is six stories with 49 one bedroom unit apartments along with common areas for laundry, group activities, recreation, and dining.

Collaborative Partners

Jewish Home Lifecare

U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development

J.R. Holzmacher

Paul, Hastings, Janofsky & Walker, LLP

New York State Department of Environmental Conservation

New York State Department of Health

#### AFFORDABLE HOUSING AWARD

#### **Parkview Commons**







A former gasoline station and existing automobile repair shop, located in an underutilized neighborhood, was transformed into a residential building with 110 low-income units including common spaces, 6,800 square feet of commercial space, and plans for a park across the street.

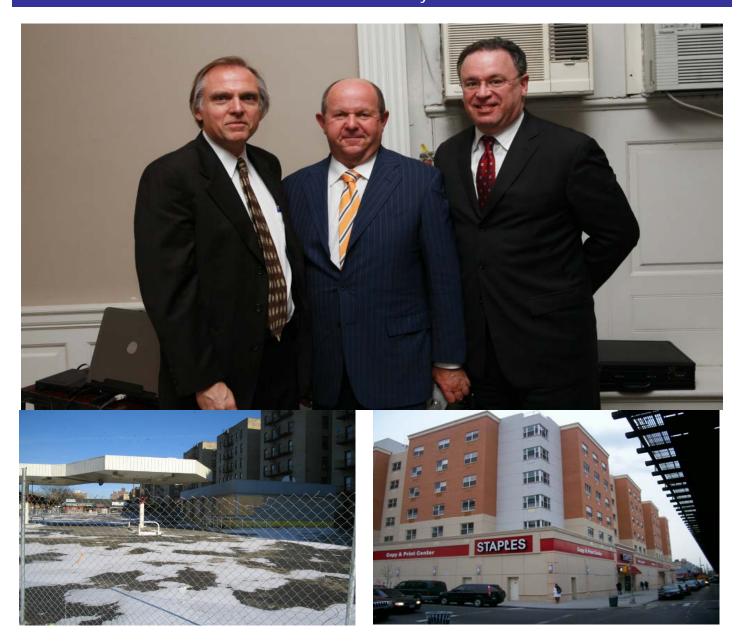
Collaborative Partners

BX Parkview Associates LLC L&M Development Partners Inc. Melrose Associates LLC We Stay/Nos Quedamos Ecosystems Strategies, Inc.

Ecosystems Strategies, In-Bryan Cave, LLP

Magnusson Architecture and Planning, PC

# INNOVATION AWARD White Plains Courtyard



This former gas station and parking lot was transformed into an eight story mixed-use building with 16,200 square feet of retail and 100 affordable units of workforce housing.

Collaborative Partners
The Arker Company
Environmental Business Consultants
Coastal Builders Corporation
ESQ
P.W. Grosser Consulting, Inc.
AIA





# THANK YOU WINNERS FOR BEING AN INSPIRATION!

We look forward to celebrating future successful brownfield redevelopments in NYC!

