

## Best Article / Best Feature Awards

### Journal of the American Planning Association Awards

Each year, APA and the *Journal of the American Planning Association (JAPA)* honor authors of excellent *JAPA* articles with the Best Article Award. Members of the *JAPA* Editorial Advisory Board serve as judges, and selections are made based on several criteria, which include making a significant contribution to the literature of the planning profession, having the potential to change the nature of discourse on the given topic, and providing useful insights or implications for planning practice or public policy. The award is presented at the APA National Planning Conference, and winners are announced in the following year's spring issue.

According to the selection criteria, the award goes to an article that:

- Makes a significant original contribution on a topic of interest to the planning profession in general or a substantial portion thereof;
- Has the potential to challenge and change the nature of discourse — that is, the way that members of the profession conceive a problem and the scope of possible solutions;
- Has useful insights or implications for planning practice or public policy;
- Shows promise of having permanent value — that is, it is likely to be regarded as a "landmark" in future years;
- Serves as a suitable model for young scholars in the field to emulate;
- Communicates its content in a clear, logical, and comprehensible manner that appeals to a wide audience of different *JAPA* readers; and
- Places new ideas and findings in the context of previous thinking and research on the subject.

### JAPA Best Article/Best Feature Awards 1989-2009

#### Volume 75, 2009

Best Article

Eric Dumbaugh and Robert Rae

*Safe Urban Form: Revisiting the Relationship Between Community Design and Traffic Safety*

Volume 75, No. 3

#### Volume 74, 2008

Best Article

Dowell Myers and SungHo Ryu

*Aging Baby Boomers and the Generational Housing Bubble: Foresight and Mitigation of an Epic Transition*

Volume 74, No. 1

**Volume 73, 2007**

Best Article

Samuel D. Brody, Sammy Zahran, Praveen Maghelal, Himanshu Grover, and Wesley E. Highfield  
*The Rising Costs of Floods: Examining the Impact of Planning and Development Decisions on Property Damage in Florida*

Volume 73, No. 3

**Volume 72, 2006**

Best Article

George Galster, Peter Tatian, and John Accordino  
*Targeting Investments for Neighborhood Revitalization*

Volume 72, No. 4

**Volume 71, 2005**

Best Article

Judith E. Innes and Judith Gruber  
*Planning Styles in Conflict: The Metropolitan Transportation Commission*

Volume 71, No. 2

**Volume 70, 2004**

Best Article

Alan Peters and Peter Fisher  
*The Failures of Economic Development Incentives*

Volume 70, No. 1

**Volume 69, 2003**

Best Article

Robert Cervero  
*Road Expansion, Urban Growth, and Induced Travel: A Path Analysis*

Volume 69, No. 2

**Volume 68, 2002**

Best Article

Scott A. Bollens  
*Urban Planning and Intergroup Conflict: Confronting a Fractured Public Interest*

Volume 68, No. 1

**Volume 67, 2001**

Best Article

Dowell Myers; Martin Wachs, AICP; Sam Cole; commentary by Linda Dalton, AICP  
*Symposium: Putting the Future in Planning*

Volume 67, No. 4

## **Volume 66, 2000**

### Best Article

Phillip Berke and Maria Manta Conroy

*Are We Planning for Sustainable Development? An Evaluation of 30 Comprehensive Plans*

Volume 66, Number 1

### Honorable Mention

Anne Vernez Moudon and Paul Mitchell Hess

*Suburban Clusters: The Nucleation of Multifamily Housing in Suburban Areas of the Central Puget Sound*

Volume 66, Number 3

## **Volume 65, 1999**

### Co-Winners

Xavier de Souza Briggs, Joe T. Darden, and Angela Aidala

*In the Wake of Desegregation: Early Impacts of Scattered-Site Public Housing on Neighborhoods in Yonkers, New York*

Volume 65, Number 1

Thomas W. Sanchez

*The Connection Between Public Transit and Employment: The Cases of Portland and Atlanta*

Volume 65, Number 3

### Honorable Mentions

Harvey M. Jacobs

*Fighting Over Land: America's Legacy . . . America's Future?*

Volume 65, Number 2

Raymond J. Burby, with Timothy Beatley, Philip R. Berke, Robert E. Deyle, Steven P. French, David R. Godschalk, Edward J. Kaiser, Jack D. Kartez, Peter J. May, Robert Olshansky, Robert G. Patterson, and Rutherford H. Platt

*Unleashing the Power of Planning to Create Disaster-Resistant Communities*

Volume 65, Number 3

## **Volume 64, 1998**

### Best Article

Judith E. Innes

*Information in Communicative Planning*

Volume 64, Number 1

### Honorable Mention

Raphal Fischler

*The Metropolitan Dimension of Early Zoning: Revisiting the 1916 New York City Ordinance*

Volume 64, Number 2

### Best Feature

Michael Neuman

*Does Planning Need the Plan?*

Volume 64, Number 2

### Honorable Mentions

Gary T. Johnson and Christopher Silver (Editors), and Jennifer R. Wolch, John Accordino, Martin

Wachs, Brian D. Taylor, and J. Eugene Grigsby III (Contributors)  
*Welfare Reform, Cities, and Planners: A One-Year Post-Reform Appraisal*  
Volume 64, Number 1

Evan D. Richert and Mark B. Lapping (Editors), and Robert Fishman, Stephen V. Ward, Kermit C. Parsons, Daniel Schaffer, and Ruth Eckdish Knack (Contributors)  
*Ebenezer Howard and the Garden City*  
Volume 64, Number 1

**Volume 63, 1997**

Best Article

Rachelle Alterman

*The Challenge of Farmland Preservation: Lessons from a Six-Nation Comparison*

Volume 63, Number 2

Honorable Mention

Mohammad A. Qadeer

*Pluralistic Planning for Multicultural Cities: The Canadian Practice*

Volume 63, Number 4

Best Feature

Reid Ewing

*Is Los Angeles-Style Sprawl Desirable?*

Volume 63, Number 1 (Winter 1997)

Honorable Mention

Peter Gordon and Harry W. Richardson

*Are Compact Cities a Desirable Planning Goal?*

Volume 63, Number 1

**Volume 62, 1996**

Best Article

Scott Campbell

*Green Cities, Growing Cities, Just Cities? Urban Planning and the Contradictions of Sustainable Development*

Volume 62, Number 3

Honorable Mention

Jose A. Gomez-Ibanez

*Big-City Transit Ridership, Deficits, and Politics: Avoiding Reality in Boston*

Volume 62, Number 1

Best Feature

Stephen E. Barton

*Social Housing Versus Housing Allowances: Choosing Between Two Forms of Housing Subsidy at the Local Level*

Volume 62, Number 1

Honorable Mention

Donald C. Shoup

*Regulating Land Use at Sale: Public Improvement from Private Investment*

Volume 62, Number 3

**Volume 61, 1995**

Best Article

John Landis

*Imagining Land Use Futures: Applying the California Urban Futures Model*

Volume 61, Number 4

Honorable Mentions

Edward J. Kaiser and David R. Godschalk

*Twentieth Century Land Use Planning: A Stalwart Family Tree*

Volume 61, Number 3

Andrew Isserman and Terance Rephann

*The Economic Effects of the Appalachian Regional Commission: An Empirical Assessment of 26 Years of Regional Development*

Volume 61, Number 3

Best Feature

Donald A. Krueckeberg

*The Difficult Character of Property: To Whom Do Things Belong?*

Volume 61, Number 3

**Volume 60, 1994**

Best Article

Linda C. Dalton and Raymond J. Burby

*Mandates, Plans, and Planners: Building Local Commitment to Development Management*

Volume 60, Number 4

Honorable Mentions

William M. Rohe and Michael A. Stegman

*The Effects of Homeownership on the Self-Esteem, Perceived Control and Life Satisfaction of Low-Income People*

Volume 60, Number 2

Nico Calavita and Roger Caves

*Planners' Attitudes Toward Growth: A Comparative Case Study*

Volume 60, Number 4

Best Feature

Barry Checkoway; contributions by Peter Marris, Pierre Clavel, Norman Krumholz, Lisa R. Peattie, John Forester, Chester Hartman, and Dolores Hayden

*Paul Davidoff and Advocacy Planning in Retrospect*

Volume 60, Number 2

Honorable Mention

Robert E. Mier; responses by J. Eugene Grigsby III; and Teresa Crdova

*Some Observations on Race and Planning*

Volume 60, Number 2

## **Volume 59, 1993**

### Best Article

Michael Southworth and Peter M. Owens

*The Evolving Metropolis: Studies of Community, Neighborhood, and Street Form at the Urban Edge*

Volume 59, Number 3

### Honorable Mention

Andrew M. Isserman

*The Right People, The Right Rates: Making Population Estimates and Forecasts with an Interregional Cohort-Component Model*

Volume 59, Number 1

### Best Feature

John Friedmann

*Toward a Non-Euclidian Mode of Planning*

Volume 59, Number 4

### Honorable Mention

Robert W. Lake

*Rethinking NIMBY*

Volume 59, Number 1

## **Volume 58, 1992**

### Best Article

Martin Kenney and Richard Florida

*The Japanese Transplants: Production Organization and Regional Development*

Volume 58, Number 1

### Runner-Up

Don H. Pickrell

*A Desire Named Streetcar: Fantasy and Fact in Rail Transit Planning*

Volume 58, Number 2

### Special Mention

Leonie Sandercock and Ann Forsyth

*A Gender Agenda: New Directions for Planning Theory*

Volume 58, Number 1

### Best Feature

L.S. Bourne

*Self-Fulfilling Prophecies? Decentralization, Inner City Decline, and the Quality of Urban Life*

Volume 58, Number 4

## **Volume 57, 1991**

### Best Article

Mark Alan Hughes

*Employment Decentralization and Accessibility: A Strategy for Stimulating Regional Mobility*

Volume 57, Number 3

### Honorable Mention

William M. Rohe and Scott Mouw

*The Politics of Relocation: The Moving of the Crest Street Community*  
Volume 57, Number 1

Best Feature

Lawrence E. Susskind, organizer: "The Coming Global Metropolis"  
*Cities of the Next Century* by Raymond Vernon  
*Europe's Urban System and Its Peripheries* by William Alonso  
*Obstacles in the Future of U.S. Cities* by Anthony Downs  
*Three Systems, Three Separate Paths* by Peter Hall  
*Preparing the Next Generation of Planners* by Lawrence E. Susskind  
Volume 57, Number 1

**Volume 56, 1990**

Best Article

Lynne B. Sagalyn  
*Explaining the Improbable: Local Redevelopment in the Wake of Federal Cutbacks*  
Volume 56, Number 4

Honorable Mention

Jose Gomez-Ibanez and John R. Meyer  
*Privatizing and Deregulating Local Public Services: Lessons from Britain's Buses*  
Volume 56, Number 1

Best Feature

Herbert Gans  
*Deconstructing the Underclass, The Term's Danger as a Planning Concept*  
Volume 56, Number 3

Honorable Mention

Bernard Frieden  
*Center City Transformed: Planners as Developers*  
Volume 56, Number 4

**Volume 55, 1989**

Best Article

Barry Rubin and Margaret Wilder  
*Urban Enterprise Zones: Employment Impacts and Fiscal Incentives*  
Volume 55, Number 4

Honorable Mention

Robert Cervero  
*Jobs-Housing Balancing and Regional Mobility*  
Volume 55, Number 2

Best Feature

Donna Shalala and Julia Vitullo-Martin  
*Rethinking the Urban Crisis: Proposals for a National Urban Agenda*  
Volume 55, Number 1