

CitiesAlive 2024 20th Anniversary Celebration: Call For Proposals & Research Papers Now Open!

[Green Roofs for Healthy Cities](#) is thrilled to announce that the 20th Anniversary of [CitiesAlive](#), the multi-disciplinary green roof, wall and infrastructure conference, will be held in the City of Toronto from November 6-9, 2024. We are now accepting powerpoint presentations and research paper proposals - submit [here](#). All proposals are due by April 30, 2024. CitiesAlive attracts designers, policy makers, researchers, installation and maintenance professionals working in the field of green infrastructure from across North America and Europe. The City of Toronto is a leader in the development and implementation of green infrastructure in North America, from multi-billion dollar projects such as restoring the mouth of the Don River, to the development of over 1000 green roof projects through its Green Roof By-law.

What We Are Looking For in Session Proposals?

The Advisory Committee for CitiesAlive 2024 seeks practical, dynamic, and interactive presentations lasting 30, 60, or 90 minutes. Address any of the listed Topics of Interest. Expert speaker sessions are usually grouped into segments of three related presentations.

What We Are Looking For in Research Paper Proposals?

Submit research papers, presentation abstracts, and posters focusing on innovative green roof or living wall research. Provide a concise abstract (250 words or less) of your research paper or presentation. Three opportunities are available for sharing your research:

1. Research Track (25-minute presentation, peer-reviewed proceedings paper, data collected) Proposed papers are peer reviewed by our Research Committee.
2. Emerging Professionals Track (10-minute presentation, abstract only)
3. Poster session (primarily for students)

Topics of Interest Include:

- Climate Change Mitigation and Adaptation
- Best Practices for Shoreline Protection
- Urban Agriculture and Food Production

- Human Health and Biophilic Design Benefits
- Economic Benefits - Green Infrastructure Accounting & Asset Management
- Stormwater Management (Policies, Quantification, Design)
- Energy Benefits / Urban Heat Island Mitigation
- Urban Forestry Best Practices
- Green/Living Wall Design and Best Practices
- Green Infrastructure Monitoring and Management - the Internet of Nature
- Green Infrastructure and Supporting Social Equity and Social Justice
- Monetizing the Benefits of Green Infrastructure
- Black Arts and the Best Practices for Waterproofing
- Green Infrastructure and Extreme Weather in a Changing Climate
- Green Roof and Wall Myth Busting
- Green Infrastructure and Best Practices in Policy
- Supporting Biodiversity and Wildlife on Green Roofs and Walls

Powerpoint presentations of case studies, best practices, and policies are also welcome. To learn more and to submit a proposal click [here](#).

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About Us:

[Green Roofs for Healthy Cities](#) is a non-profit 501(c)(6) professional industry association working to grow the green roof and wall industry throughout North America since 1999. Our mission is to develop and protect the market by increasing the awareness of the economic, social, and environmental benefits of green roofs, green walls, and other forms of living architecture through education, advocacy, professional development, and celebrations of excellence.

We publish [The Living Architecture Monitor](#) quarterly online magazine where industry leaders share their insights and expertise. These articles increase awareness of the economic, social, and environmental benefits of green roofs, walls and other forms of living architecture.

We also offer free access to [The Living Architecture Academy](#), an online professional development platform which is dedicated to bringing you the best, most up to date professional training information on design, installation and maintenance practices across a wide range of green infrastructure topics. The LAA offers short lectures and multi-day courses such as: Green Roof Professional Training, Introduction to Green Walls, Biodiverse Green Roof Maintenance, and more.

We also publish the [Green Pages: Industry Green Roof and Wall Directory](#) which is designed to support you with your living architecture projects by providing a list of trusted manufacturers, suppliers of accessories, green walls, nurseries, and certified Green Roof Professionals (GRPs). From small-scale residential projects to large commercial installations, this directory has everything you need to find support to create a sustainable and beautiful living space.

Save the date and join us for our 20th Anniversary of [CitiesAlive](#) in Toronto in November, 2024! We are currently accepting Call for Proposals, seeking practical, cutting edge presentations or research papers on green roofs, and living walls.