



## VICTORIA TAYLOR LANDSCAPE ARCHITECT MES MLA OALA

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Victoria Taylor designs spaces informed and inspired by context, ecology, community engagement and social and horticultural possibilities. In private practice since 2012, Taylor engages with landscape as an artistic and cultural practice through public and private commissions, curatorial projects, teaching, writing, and temporary installation artworks. Taylor is the founding curator of The Gladstone Hotel's annual Grow Op exhibition and is co-founder/co-curator of DeRAIL Platform for Art + Architecture, a curatorial public art project to animate spaces along urban infrastructure corridors. Taylor is a sessional instructor and critic at the John H. Daniels School of Architecture, Landscape and Design, University of Toronto and a frequent contributor to the quarterly magazine GROUND.

### PROJECTS

- 2012 – Current Design and project management on a wide range of commissions including various residential gardens - Toronto; community roof top food garden - West End YMCA, Toronto; master plan design - The Hub Child + Family Centre, Picton, ON; project landscape architect - 5th Church of Christian Science, Toronto; Carmel Gardens, a private organic farm, outdoor kitchen and dining environment - Gananoque, ON; community food gardens design collaboration with Brook McIlroy - Mohawk College, Hamilton; planting design renovation with the City of Toronto - Humber Bay Shores Park, Toronto.
- 2009 – 2011 Landscape architect intern. 4km waterfront redevelopment, Thunder Bay, ON  
Brook McIlroy, Toronto <http://brookmcilroy.com/projects.php>

### PUBLIC WORK

- 2016 Co-founder/Co-curator DeRAIL Platform for Art + Architecture [www.derailart.com](http://www.derailart.com)
- 2016 'Perch Here' - installation. Grow Op: The Culture of Landscape. The Gladstone Hotel. Toronto  
'Home Soil Horizon' - installation. Terroir Symposium, Art Gallery of Ontario, Toronto
- 2013 – 2015 Curator and co-founder, Grow Op: The Culture of Landscape. The Gladstone Hotel, Toronto
- 2014 'Ebb and Flow' - interior installation. Architecture Gallery, Harbourfront Centre, Toronto  
'Public Laneway Puncture' - poster design. Design Ideas Exhibition, Urban Space Gallery, Toronto  
'Emergent Structures – 7min. video loop. Come Up to My Room, The Gladstone Hotel, Toronto  
'Nested' - outdoor installation. Toronto Design Offsite Festival headquarters, Toronto
- 2013 'Severance' - interior installation. Canada Blooms, Toronto  
'Burn It Down' - outdoor installation. The Weybourne Project. Toronto.  
'PARKed' - interior installation. Canada Blooms, Toronto  
'Emergent Structures- 7 min. video loop. \*Queen Specific, Toronto
- 2012 Co-curator, 'An Invitation to Create: Re-visioning Toronto Island Airport'. Terminal 1, Pearson Airport  
'Concrete Bloom Bursts' - interior installation. Canada Blooms, Toronto
- 2010 -2012 Founder + co-manager, Parks&Rec - 1800 sf organic roof farm. Parkdale, Toronto

### TALKS

- 2016 'Landscape Punctures'. BEST Lecture Series  
John H. Daniels School of Architecture, Landscape and Urban Design, University of Toronto
- 2015 Landscape Inspirations. IDEX, Toronto

### PRESS

Pagliacolo, E. "Master of the House" City Home 2014, Toronto Life. Print

Ritchie, K. "Victoria Taylor Landscape Architect". NOW Magazine. August 2014. Print.  
<https://nowtoronto.com/lifestyle/class-action/victoria-taylor-landscape-architect/>

Carson, A. "Grow Op: Meditations on Landscape at the Gladstone Hotel, Part One". View on Canadian Art. 26 April 2013.  
<http://viewoncanadianart.com/2013/04/25/grow-op-meditations-on-landscape-at-the-gladstone-hotel-part-one>. Web.

Johnson, L. "Local Act Victoria's Gardens". Design Lines. Spring 2013. Print.

The Wardens Today. "Profile: Victoria Taylor Landscape Architect". June 15, 2013. Retrieved from  
<http://thewardens.today.blogspot.ca/2013/06/victoria-taylor.html>

### EDUCATION:

- 2006– 2009 MASTERS LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE, MLA  
John H Daniels School of Architecture, Landscape and Urban Design, University of Toronto
- 1990-1994 MASTERS ENVIRONMENTAL STUDIES, MES  
School of Environmental Studies. York University, Toronto.