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1. **Equitable Use** - The design is useful and marketable to people with diverse abilities.
2. **Flexibility in Use** - The design accommodates a wide range of individual preferences and abilities.
3. **Simple and Intuitive Use** - Use of the design is easy to understand, regardless of the user's experience, knowledge, language skills, or current concentration level.
4. **Perceptible Information** - The design communicates necessary information effectively to the user, regardless of ambient conditions or the user's sensory abilities.
5. **Tolerance for Error** - The design minimizes hazards and the adverse consequences of accidental or unintended actions.
6. **Low Physical Effort** - The design can be used efficiently and comfortably with a minimum of fatigue.
7. **Size and Space for Approach and Use** - Appropriate size and space are provided for approach, reach, manipulation and use, regardless of user's body position, size, posture or mobility.

THE PRINCIPLES OF UNIVERSAL DESIGN

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DEADLINE FOR NOMINATIONS:

Wednesday June 30, 2010

For further information, contact:

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The Winnipeg Accessibility Award Nomination Form

The Winnipeg Accessibility Award raises awareness regarding the importance of accessibility and universal design in the City of Winnipeg. Universal design makes life more equitable, safe, comfortable and affordable for everyone, including people with disabilities. Everybody, regardless of size, age, ability and background, is entitled to participate. The Winnipeg Accessibility Award honours positive examples that exemplify this goal.

The award is presented to a facility or environment, and its designers, that is an outstanding example of universal design. Projects may include features of private homes, architectural designs, interior designs, landscapes, urban designs or any other built environment. Nominations may be made by any individual or group that is interested in accessibility and universal design. There is no limit to the number of entries. Self-nominations are welcomed.

Eligible Project

- May be designated private or public
- May be commercial, residential, recreational, or institutional
- Must be located in Winnipeg within defined city limits
- Must be a built environment
- Must be complete
- May be newly constructed or renovated

How to nominate a project

- Anyone can nominate a project
- Only one project is allowed per nomination form
- No limit to the number of nominations submitted

By mail or in person to: **Access Advisory Committee**

Council Building • Lower Level • 510 Main Street • Winnipeg • Manitoba • R3B1B9

Electronically to: csobkowicz@winnipeg.ca

Nomination Forms can be downloaded: www.aacwinnipeg.mb.ca

2010 Winnipeg Accessibility Award Application

Criteria

Nominations will be juried by a selection committee of experts who will determine the award winning project(s) based on:

- Exceeding Manitoba Building Code standards for accessibility
- Paying attention to a variety of details such as parking, approach & exterior entrance, reception area, wayfinding & signage, washrooms, ramps, elevator/lift, egress etc.
- Integrating different types of accommodations such as technological devices, independent movement through property, and wayfinding (signage and intuitive movement)
- Providing an appropriate and aesthetic experience
- Integrating accessibility and Universal Design features with overall project design
- Achieving an inclusive experience for users
- Improving the quality of people's lives in Winnipeg

Nominees

- May submit an 8" x 10" photograph of the nominated property and other supporting documents such as drawings, perspectives, digital images or files.
- Must consent to a site visit and use of photographs for media and/or public relations

Selection Process

- Nominees will be contacted to confirm their participation in the competition.
- Selection committee will review all submissions
- Site visits will be conducted for those short-listed
- Properties will be judged as built

Recognition

- Award recipients will receive recognition at an event hosted by the City of Winnipeg
- A press release with photographs will announce winners
- Awards will be presented to the property nominated and the designer

PLEASE CUT ALONG THE DOTTED LINE

Property Nominated

Property Name: _____

Contact Person: _____

Address: _____

Telephone: _____ Cell: _____ Fax: _____

Email: _____

Reason for Nomination: _____

Architect/Landscape Architect/Designer (Optional)

Address: _____

Telephone: _____ Cell: _____ Fax: _____

Email: _____ Website: _____

Nominated By

Name: _____

Organization (if applicable): _____

Address: _____

Telephone: _____ Cell: _____ Fax: _____

Email: _____ Website: _____

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