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## NIP Paysage wins Place de l'Acadie design competition

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The design competition was held as part of the project to redevelop Place de l'Acadie and Place Henri-Bourassa, was intended primarily to produce a concept for creating areas to refresh the surrounding air in order to help fight the urban heat island effect.

The jury found that the project from [NIP paysage](#) stood out for the variety, quality and cohesiveness of the proposed areas, the potential performance in producing coolness, the user-friendliness of the meeting spaces, and the concept's technical feasibility and viability, especially regarding its adaptability for future stages.

A contract will be awarded to the winning team to, among other things, produce plans for the park's development, conduct the follow-up during the call-for-tenders period, oversee the construction work and ensure co-ordination with all other project stakeholders.

The project takes place among a new landscape and architecture vision for the neighbourhood. The park becomes a large scale entrance plaza for larger scale architecture. A series of landscape events and topographies punctuate the site, establishing a dialogue between various public spaces. They become entrance markers, sound-reducing berms, visual screens, retention basins or play spaces. The design creates a landscape identity for the district while increasing overall biodiversity and reducing observed site-related constraints.

Client: Ville de Montréal, arrondissement Ahuntsic-Cartierville

Location: Place de l'Acadie, Montréal

Landscape architects: [NIP paysage](#)

Design team: Mélanie Mignault, Michel Langevin, Josée Labelle, Mathieu Casavant

Technical team: Claude Cournoyer, Georges-Étienne Parent, Émilie Bertrand-Villemure, Sylvain Lenoir

Civil engineer : Vinci Consultants



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