



5<sup>th</sup> March 2012

## **best private plots – Die besten Gärten 2012 International Competition – Call for Entries**

The award **best private plots – Die besten Gärten 2012** recognizes exemplary design of sustainable private outdoor spaces, highlighting the garden as a place of innovation, as a space for creative expression and action, and as contemporary dialogue between architecture, ecology and landscape.

The competition is being held for the 5<sup>th</sup> time since 2006. The award criteria include: idea, conceptual and artistic quality, ecological quality, use of plants and materials, relationship between inside and outside, delimitation of space and organization of open space, technical planning and sustainability. Special attention will also be given to individual functionality and diversity of use. The outdoor space must be clearly identifiable as intended for private residence and use.

The award honors exceptional achievements in the design of sustainable private outdoor spaces and gardens that were completed after January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2002. This is an open competition. Landscape architects, architects, garden owners, designers, florists, gardeners, artists, plant nurseries and landscaping firms, as well as teams including a combination of the above, are eligible for participation.

**Jury and speakers:** Stig L. Andersson (DK), SLA Urbanity Strategy Landscape | Franziska Bark Hagen (CH), Cultural Scientist | Teresa Moller (CL), Estudio del Paisaje Teresa Moller & Asociados | Tom Stuart-Smith (GB), Tom Stuart-Smith Ltd Landscape Design

**Prizes:** First prize: 7,000 euros | Second prize: 5,000 euros | Third prize: 3,000 euros

**Kick-off - entry forms and competition brief:** April 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2012 at [www.privateplots.at](http://www.privateplots.at)

**Deadline for entries:** June 4<sup>th</sup>, 2012

**Award ceremony:** September 29<sup>th</sup>, 2012, 7 p.m., A-3400 Klosterneuburg, Austria

## **public spots on private plots International Symposium on Garden Architecture**

The symposium will be devoted to sustainable aesthetic and cultural concepts in garden and landscape architecture and new impulses in the fields of technology, design, the arts and sciences. The jurors will also be the speakers at the symposium and will present their respective approaches to landscape architecture, based on their own work.

**public spots on private plots 2012**  
International symposium on garden architecture  
September 29<sup>th</sup>, 2012  
A-3400 Klosterneuburg, Austria

The registration fee for the symposium is € 50, and registration at [www.privateplots.at](http://www.privateplots.at), [info@privateplots.at](mailto:info@privateplots.at) is required.

**Catalog**

The bilingual catalog (in English and German), best private plots – Die besten Gärten 2012. Internationale Beispiele zur Gartenarchitektur”, will present about 30 outdoor spaces and gardens nominated for the award and contributions by the jurors. The catalog will be launched at the award ceremony on 29<sup>th</sup> September 2012. The catalogs of the previous competitions with contributions of Ken Smith, Eelco Hooftman – Gross.Max, Günther Vogt and others can be ordered at [www.privateplots.at](http://www.privateplots.at).

**Awarding authority and host**

Thanks to the Province of Lower Austria - initiative “Natur im Garten” (Nature in the Garden) - this discussion on garden architecture is conducted in an international context and combined with a competition.

**Competition management, organization and public relations**

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[Informations to the previous competitions and the winners 2006-10](#)