



# In Pictures: LongHouse Reserve's "Planters" Invitational

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## **EAST HAMPTON, NY-**

Fine art isn't always confined to the realm of artists. One of the best manifestations is LongHouse Reserve's annual invitational garden container exhibition. Now in its sixth year, "Planters: ON+OFF the Ground" has garnered the attention of both the art and landscape design worlds for its exhibition of unique garden container designs.

The planters in the Invitational are a far cry from simple pots found in retail stores. Closer to art installations than function-only repositories for plants, each garden container combines fine art concepts with intimate knowledge of plants, design and sustainability on the East End.

This year featured works by 24 designers hailing from mostly East End landscape design companies. Entries were judged by three experts who select a First Place and an Honorable Mention. Attendees could vote for a People's Choice Award, whose announcement wrapped up the event.

This year's jurors were Tovah Martin, Paula Deitz and Jack deLashment.

First Place awards went to *Daydream* by Alexandra Leighton (Garden Schemes) and *Motion, Meditation, Moss* by Harvey Bernstein (Professor at Pratt Institute. *Daydream* was separately selected by both Martin and Deitz. *Motion, Meditation, Moss* was selected by deLashment.

Honorable Mentions were awarded to *On + Off + Inside + Out* by Dennis Schrader (Landcraft Environments Ltd), *Totems* by Adam Baron, Suvi Asch and Hal Goldberg (Hal Goldberg Gardens and Landscapes & Folia Gardens) and *Daydream* by Leighton.

The People's Choice Award went to *Urban Jungle* (Summerhill Landscapes). Votes were cast by 283 of the 412 people who attended the event.

Following is a look at some of the containers and the people who helped made "Planters: ON+OFF the Ground VI" a success. The complete list of designers are listed after the photographs.



“Urban Jungle” by Summerhill Landscapes, Sag Harbor, NY.



“Square Roots” by Peggy Amster Landscape Design, Water Mill, NY.



“Come to the Dark Side!” by Marjorie Bono, Sag Harbor, NY.



“Totems” by Adam Baron, Suvi Asch, Hal Goldberg.  
Hal Goldberg Gardens and Landscapes & Folia  
Gardens, Southampton, NY and Brooklyn, NY.



“Rust Never Dies” by Madeleine Piro, Serene Scapes of LI  
Inc, Hampton Bays, NY.



“Flower Children” by Tony Piazza, Piazza Horticultural,  
Southampton, NY.



Detail of “Flower Children” by Tony Piazza, Piazza  
Horticultural, Southampton, NY.



“Lawn Food” by Romi Sloan, Gardens by Romi,  
Southampton, NY.



Container by Hamptons Grass & Bamboo,  
Southampton, NY.



Detail of container installation by Silas Marder,  
Marders & Marder’s Gallery, Bridgehampton, NY.



“Bright Colors of Unlimited Earth Care” by Frederico  
Azevedo, Unlimited Earth Care, Bridgehampton, NY.



“Motion Meditation Moss” by Harvey Bernstein, Professor  
of Pratt Institute, Sagaponack, NY.



Container by Dan Silverstein, GreenZone Landscape,  
Brooklyn, NY.



“Planter #9, Sapele and Cement Board” by Nico Yektai, Nico  
Yektai Furniture Design, Sag Harbor, NY.



“Butterflies in a Basket” by Hope Herrlin, New Leaf Landscape Maintenance, Southampton, NY.



“On + Off + Inside + Out” by Dennis Schrader, Landcraft Environments Ltd, Mattituck, NY.



“Daydream” by Alexandra Leighton, Garden Schemes, St. James, NY.



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LongHouse Reserve Matko Tomicic prepares the crowd for the awards announcements.



LongHouse Reserve Founder Jack Lenor Larsen addresses the audience



Juror Tovah Martin reveals her winners.



Juror Jack deLashmet explains his award choices.



Juror Paula Deitz lauds LongHouse before awarding ribbons to her award selections.



Partial view of “Planters: ON+OFF the Ground VI”

Invited designers for “Planters: ON+OFF the Ground VI” are April Gonzales, Frederico Azevedo (Unlimited Earth Care), Elaine Peterson, Erika Shank (The Horticultural Alliance of the Hamptons), Dennis Schrader (Landcraft Environments Ltd), Peggy Arnster Landscape Design, Marjorie Bono, Dan Silverstein (GreenZone Landscape), Tom Janczur (Soil Inc) and Nico Yektai (Nico Yektai Furniture Design).

Also, Madeleine Piro (Serene Scapes of LI Inc.), Harvey Bernstein (Pratt Institute professor), The Laurel Group at Baywoods, Alexandra Leighton (Garden Schemes), Hope Herrlin (New Leaf Landscape Maintenance LLC), Tony Piazza (Piazza Horticultural), Hamptons Grass & Bamboo, Silas Marder (Marder’s & Marder’s Gallery), Romi Sloan (Gardens by Romi), Kevin Inkawich (Perfect Earth Project).

Submitting containers made through collaboration were Hal Goldberg Gardens and Landscapes & Folia Gardens (Adam Baron, Suvi Asch and Hal Goldberg) and Lear & Hahoney Landscape Design ASC (Elizabeth Lear, Brian J. Mahoney and Gaelin Walsh).

**BASIC FACTS: “Planters: On + Off the Ground VI”** remains on view through July 27, 2013. The Invitational Garden Container exhibit included Ribbon Presentations by jurors Tovah Martin, Paula Deitz, and Jack deLashmet. The Longhouse Reserve is located at 133 Hands Creek Road, East Hampton, NY 11937. [www.longhouse.org](http://www.longhouse.org).

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