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**DESIGN TRUST FOR PUBLIC SPACE PRESENTS:**

**THE GREEN APPLE**

**Celebrating two new publications for a sustainable New York City**  
*January 24, Center for Architecture, 536 LaGuardia Place, 4 to 8 pm*

**NEW YORK** – The Design Trust for Public Space announces the release of two new publications, produced in partnership with the City of New York. *Sustainable New York City* and the *High Performance Infrastructure Guidelines* will help make the Big Apple a greener place to live and work. A book release event, which includes presentations of environmentally sustainable projects being built for the City of New York, will take place on January 24, from 4 to 8 pm, at the Center for Architecture, 536 LaGuardia Place.

*Sustainable New York City*, created with the New York City Office of Environmental Coordination (OEC), affirms the City of New York's commitment to environmental sustainability. The document makes the case for integrating sustainable practices into everyday municipal operations, and case studies show how New York and other cities are creating innovative strategies for water conservation, energy efficiency, and waste management.

The *High Performance Infrastructure Guidelines*, produced in partnership with the New York City Department of Design and Construction (DDC), is a detailed handbook for creating sustainable city streets, sidewalks, utilities, and urban landscaping. Building on the success of the nationally acclaimed *High Performance Building Guidelines*, this sister publication launches a new era in the design and construction of public infrastructure.

At the January 24 event, DDC Commissioner David Burney and OEC Director Robert Kulikowski will offer remarks, followed by three presentations of exemplary sustainable projects being built now for the City of New York. Presenters include the NYC Department of Environmental Protection, on the Staten Island Bluebelt; Field Operations, on Fresh Kills Park; and Mathews Nielsen Landscape Architecture, on the South Bronx Greenway. From 6 to 8pm, cocktails will be served, and both new publications will also be available.

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The Design Trust for Public Space creates public/private partnerships to improve civic space in New York City. We organize teams of experts — urban planners, graphic designers, landscape architects, ecologists, economists, or whoever may be required — and provide fellowships to support their work with public agencies and community groups. These powerful and unexpected collaborations generate solutions to complicated public space issues and overcome formidable political and logistical hurdles. For more information, visit [www.designtrust.org](http://www.designtrust.org)

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## ILLUSTRATION INFORMATION

### Book Covers:

File name: book\_cover\_HPIG.jpg  
Credit: Design Trust for Public Space  
Description: cover of *High Performance Infrastructure Guidelines*

File name: book\_cover\_SustainableNYC.jpg  
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### Examples of High Performance Infrastructure in New York:

File name: Greenwich\_Street.tif  
Credit: Mathews Nielsen Landscape Architects  
Description: Greenwich Street, Manhattan  
Caption: During the reconstruction of Greenwich Street, 42 feet of underutilized roadway were transformed into sidewalk, allowing for new landscaping and seating areas.

File name: Route\_9A.tif  
Credit: Mathews Nielsen Landscape Architects  
Description: Route 9A, Manhattan  
Caption: Along the West Side Highway, a separated walking path improves safety for pedestrians and encourages active recreation and exercise along the waterfront.

File name: Shore\_Parkway.tif  
Credit: Mathews Nielsen Landscape Architects  
Description: Shore Parkway bike path, Queens  
Caption: Construction of this dedicated bike lane in Queens was designed to minimize disturbance to existing trees.

File name: Union\_Square.tif  
Credit: Mathews Nielsen Landscape Architects  
Description: Union Square, Manhattan  
Caption: Enlargement of the traffic island on the south side of Union Square decreased roadway pavement, increased landscaping, and provides safe pedestrian crossing.