



LYNNHAVEN RIVER NOW'S

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AWARD

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Objective

The Legendary Lynnhaven Shoreline contest is designed to recognize homeowners and professionals who are implementing watershed-friendly practices at shoreline properties in the Lynnhaven River watershed (this includes both properties on the Lynnhaven and its tributaries, and stormwater retention ponds). This is an opportunity to showcase unique stormwater solution and erosion techniques and projects through low-impact design and creativity.

Selection

The Legendary Lynnhaven Shoreline awardee will be chosen by the staff of Lynnhaven River NOW (LRNow), and the LRNow Shorelines Committee.

Eligibility

- Deadline for application submission is Thursday, December 21st
- Project must be located in the Lynnhaven River Watershed
- Project construction must be completed to qualify, however a project may be submitted during any required monitoring period
- Members of LRNow Shorelines Committee may submit projects for consideration, but must recuse themselves from the selection process

For application purposes, Lynnhaven River NOW follows the VIMS (Virginia Institute of Marine Science) definition of Living Shorelines- A "**Living Shoreline Treatment**" is a shoreline management practice that addresses erosion by providing for long-term protection, restoration or enhancement of vegetated shoreline habitats. This is accomplished through the strategic placement of plants, stone, sand fill and other structural and organic materials.

Living Shoreline Treatments do not include structures that sever natural processes & connections between riparian, intertidal and aquatic areas such as tidal exchange, sediment movement, plant community transitions & groundwater flow.

Award categories:

- 1) Residential property
- 2) Commercial/ Public property (to include schools, faith buildings, and multi-family housing)

Process for Submission:

Submissions can be mailed or dropped off at the Brock Environmental Center, 3663 Marlin Bay Dr, Virginia Beach, VA 23454, Attn: Trista Imrich, Lynnhaven River NOW or emailed to Trista@lrnow.org.

All submissions must include the following information:

- Basic Project Data
- Narrative
- Photographs (4, minimum)
- Supporting Materials (optional)

Basic Project Data

1. Type of practice
2. Applicant contact information
3. Practice design team (Designer, Contractor, Installer, Architect, etc)
4. Runoff volume treated, if applicable
5. Approximate cost
6. Physical address of project
7. A 3- sentence description of the project to be displayed on our website if the project is chosen as one of our finalists.

Narrative

Applicants are required to submit a brief narrative (2 pages, 1,300 words maximum). Your narrative should explain:

1. Why the project is being submitted for an award **and**
2. How your project implements any of the following items:
 - () Living Shoreline
 - () Buffer garden
 - () Rain garden
 - () Native Plant planting
 - () Habitat Restoration (trees, oyster castles, oyster reef, etc)

Awards and Winner Recognition

Winners will be announced to LRN's network of homeowners, partners and sponsors within Virginia Beach.

- The top category winners will receive certificates of recognition for placing as a finalist in the award category and be featured on the LRNow website.
- Category winners will receive an invitation to the 2018 LRNow Donor/Partner Cocktail Party where they will be recognized at a LLS awards ceremony
- Category winners will receive a restoration sign recognizing them as a partner in the restoration of the Lynnhaven River at the winning shoreline site.