

GOVERNORS ISLAND INCLUDED AS A FINALIST IN SURFACE TRAVEL AWARDS

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West 8 is pleased to announce Governors Island Park project's inclusion as a finalist in the category of **Park/Public Space** of **Surface Travel Awards** — an annual tribute to the best and most thoughtfully conceived spaces and products, as well as the architects, designers, and other innovators who inspire, empower, and connect travelers.

“The 2017 finalists represent a class of their own in the travel space, and illustrate the myriad ways that great design can improve our experiences,” says Nate Storey, Travel Editor of Surface Magazine. In the first year, Surface received over 500 submissions across 21 categories.

An esteemed jury of design and hospitality professionals will select one winner from each category with the exception of the Instagram categories, which will be decided by a public vote. The jury includes Dana Cowin, media personality and former editor-in-chief, Food & Wine; Elizabeth Diller, architect and founding partner, Diller Scofidio + Renfro; Murray Moss, design entrepreneur and co-founder, Moss Bureau; Roopal Patel, SVP, Fashion Director, Saks Fifth Avenue; Michael Rock, founder, 2x4; Troy Conrad Therrien, Curator, Architecture, and Digital Initiatives, Solomon R. Guggenheim Museum; and Adam Wells, head of design, Virgin Galactic.

Surface is the American magazine of global contemporary design. For more than two decades, the publication has produced authoritative and thought-provoking editorial content on architecture, art, design, fashion, and culture. Surface offers a clean aesthetic and incisive writing with an emphasis on process and craftsmanship. Every issue is an event. Surface is a compass for today's creative leaders and a barometer for what's new and what's next.

Winners will be announced in the second annual October Travel Issue of Surface. Finalists and winners will be celebrated during a private event in New York in early October.