



The Florida Chapter of the American Planning Association celebrates excellence in planning.

## Help us recognize and celebrate Great Places in Florida!

This initiative, sponsored by the Florida Chapter of the American Planning Association (APA Florida), celebrates Great Places in Florida and the communities that sustain them.

To continue the community spirit of the inaugural year of the Great Places Award, APA Florida is focusing on those unique, memorable places that work not only for their community but draw outsiders in and are models for others to emulate.

The Great Places Award is an annual selection of places that represent the gold standard in terms of having a true sense of place, cultural and historical interest, community involvement and a vision for tomorrow.

### How does the program work?

APA Florida is seeking nominations from individuals, local governments and organizations for Great Places in Florida.

The Great Places will be recognized and celebrated by APA Florida and their communities.

A panel of experts from across the state will select the finalists, and the winner will be selected through the People's Choice online voting phase. The Great Places in Florida winner will be announced just in time for National Community Planning Month in October.

Through the Great Places in Florida program, we celebrate the vitality and local partnerships that have made each place a focal point for community life.

### Dates and Deadlines

Nominations will be accepted:

**July 6 - Aug. 7, 2020**  
at 5 pm ET



Selection Committee will announce finalists on:

**Aug. 28, 2020**



People's Choice voting will run from:

**Sept. 8 - 25, 2020**



Winner will be announced:

**Oct. 5, 2020**



For complete nomination information, FAQ's and to submit a Great Places in Florida nomination, please visit:

[florida.planning.org/greatplaces](http://florida.planning.org/greatplaces)

### What Makes a Place Great?

- ★ Reflects the local culture or history.
- ★ Promotes human contact and social activities.
- ★ Relates well to bordering uses.
- ★ Is safe, welcoming, and accommodating for all users.
- ★ Is well maintained.
- ★ Has design and architectural features that are visually interesting.
- ★ Has a unique or special character.
- ★ Promotes community involvement.

