

Landscape Series Introduction

The visible features and forms of a landscape determine the aesthetic quality of a built environment. Urban, rural, and natural landscapes should be given the appropriate attention necessary to sustain and enhance their environmental quality. By using appropriate vegetation and suitable design, we can enable ourselves to avoid aesthetic and environmental mistakes. This series includes photos of several different landscape and design types. While viewing these photos you may choose to consider how the following keywords apply to each photo. Then, consider how these keywords may apply to similar, present and future landscapes within your community.

Landscape Definition:

To make (a plot of ground more attractive), as by adding lawns, bushes, etc. (*Webster's New World Dictionary and Thesaurus*)

Keywords:

aesthetic beauty, creek, efficient, functional, green infrastructure, habitat, indigenous plants, lake, native vegetation, natural, river, rural, urban, water efficient