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ENTRIES OPEN FOR THE ‘OSCARs OF THE WATERWAYS’

Categories range from construction and environment to culture, education and community

The search is on for the best schemes, projects and initiatives that are helping to make life better by water. Now in their seventeenth year, Canal & River Trust’s Living Waterways Awards celebrate the most exciting and inspiring waterway-based projects across the UK.

Sue Wilkinson, chair of the Awards and trustee of Canal & River Trust, said: “We know there are hundreds of brilliant projects taking place along our waterways and we want to shine a light on the incredible contribution that those involved are making to the lives of many thousands of people living near these canals, rivers, lakes and lochs. We urge those involved in these initiatives to enter the Awards and get the recognition they rightly deserve.”

The Living Waterways Awards are judged by an independent panel of experts from the heritage, arts, environment, community and engineering sectors and are sponsored by Amco Geffen, CPC Civils, Fountains and Land & Water.

From inspirational education programmes and innovative construction projects, to exciting community-binding environmental initiatives, these awards have celebrated hundreds of organisations and individuals over the years.

There are six award categories available:

- Art, Culture & Events
- Built Environment
- Engaging the Community
- Heritage & Conservation
- Learning & Skills
- Natural Environment

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The Awards will be open for entries from Thursday 6 February until Thursday 26 March 2020. Full details of the Awards and how to enter can be found at <https://canalrivertrust.org.uk/news-and-views/living-waterways-awards-2020>

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