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# REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

# YOUR TOWN: *The Citizens' Institute on Rural Design* WORKSHOPS



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We are pleased to announce that the National Endowment for the Arts will be funding four Your Town: The Citizens' Institute on Rural Design workshops and are seeking your interest in producing a workshop between now and November 2009. This is an opportunity to bring design professionals to your community to help you tackle critical regional planning and design issues. Up to \$22,000 will be available to a non-profit organization for each workshop.

More information on Your Town is available at our website:  
[www.yourtowndesign.org](http://www.yourtowndesign.org)

## YOUR TOWN 2007 WORKSHOP AWARDS

### Donaldsonville, LA



Your Town in Donaldsonville, Louisiana, will reinforce the Main Street revitalization efforts that have recently taken place. Struggling to recover from hurricanes and an economic downturn, Donaldsonville's workshop will emphasize new uses for vacant buildings, streetscape design, and heritage tourism.

### The Bitter Root Parkway, MT



Your Town: Bitter Root Valley, this workshop will be held in Hamilton, Montana and bring together seven communities to develop design standards for the Highway 93 corridor that runs through the Bitter Root Valley. The standards will build on the agricultural landscape and lifestyle of the Valley as it struggles with intense growth and development.

### Zapata County, TX



Your Town: Zapata County, along the Rio Grande in Texas, will focus on the development of county-wide design guidelines based on the natural and cultural assets of the region. The heritage of Spanish colonial settlement and ranching will inform the guidelines as well as the New Urbanist transect.

### Appalachian Trail, VA



Your Town: Southwest Virginia, held September 24-26, 2008 focused on linking communities along the Appalachian Trail to promote regional heritage tourism. The outcome was a commitment to creating day hiking opportunities for visitors and a regional identity between communities and the Trail.