



# Cincinnati Park Board

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### **WHAT: Cincinnati Parks Nominated for Two Green Business Awards**

The Cincinnati Park Board is honored to be nominated to receive two Green Business Awards! The awards are sponsored by the Business Courier and the U. S. Green Building Council.

The Park Board is nominated in the "Green Prosperity" category, which is awarded to projects demonstrating the strongest business case for sustainability. The Park Board has implemented 31 environmental projects to improve the quality of life in Cincinnati through the green of our parks. Community recognition of this extensive green work has also included induction to the Working in Neighborhoods (WIN) "Hall of Fame" in 2009.

The Park Board's second nomination is for the "Living Our Green Life – Mayor's Lecture Series" held at the Krohn Conservatory during 2009. Even though they were free to the public, these lectures had "sold out" attendance-audiences were intrigued to learn more about the 3,000 Pound Carbon Diet or the vampire effect that drains away electric power!

The Park Board would like to take this opportunity to congratulate Mayor Mark Mallory for his Green Business award nomination in the category of "People in Community." This award is presented to the project that best demonstrates benefit to the people of Greater Cincinnati.

The Green Business Awards will be given in a ceremony at the Cintas Center at Xavier University on Tuesday, March 16, 2010 at 7:00pm. Contact the Business Courier for reservations, [www.cincinnati.bizjournals.com/cincinnati](http://www.cincinnati.bizjournals.com/cincinnati).

**More about "Living Our Green Life"** - The Park Board's many green initiatives have evolved into a comprehensive "Living Our Green Life" program. In addition to implementing sustainable practices throughout our park system, we also provide practical information and resources that the citizens of our community can use to live healthier, "greener" lifestyles every day. For decades the Park Board's Nature Education programs have been teaching children about conservation and appreciation of nature. As evidenced by our Mayor's Lecture series, our newer programs for adults are just as popular! Here is the Lecture Series schedule for 2010:

#### **Living Our Green Life - Mayor's Lecture Series** (all lectures at Krohn Conservatory, 6-8pm)

March 17	Ecomagination: The GE Model
May 25	Cincinnati Nature: A World Without Fish (Fossil Hunting)
July 21	Rain Gardens
August 18	Vegetable Gardening and Food Presentation
September 15	Beneficial Insects
October 20	Why Trees Matter
November 17	Ten Technologies that Will Change the World

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