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### **Dirtworks, PC Wins 2013 NYASLA Honor Award for Camphill Ghent**

New York, NY – March 12, 2013 – Dirtworks, PC, was awarded the 2013 Honor Award given by the American Society of Landscape Architects New York Chapter (NYASLA) for Camphill Ghent Elder Care Initiative.

"I was so impressed how the design really works to support the goal of creating manageable and meaningful spaces for the elderly residents to engage with the natural environment," according to Kathy Shea, NYASLA Executive Director. A member of the Awards jury from the Texas ASLA commented that, "This project was a success. It demonstrated great restraint in not over building and use of natural existing elements."

Camphill Ghent's Elder Care Initiative is a planned community for senior citizens located on 109 rural acres in Copake, NY. The project aims to extend the social-therapeutic model to address the needs of the frail in an integrated mutually supportive setting. The design goal was to create a community that fosters the art of caring in all its aspects: caring for the individual, caring for the social life, and caring for the land. Sustainable technologies and a program of biodynamic agriculture foster a sense of connectedness to the natural environment.

#### *About Dirtworks, PC*

Dirtworks, PC ([www.dirtworks.us](http://www.dirtworks.us)) is an internationally recognized and award-winning landscape architecture firm. Its designs enhance the restorative quality of the natural environment. The firm, founded in 1995 by David Kamp, FASLA, LF, NA, provides clients with the creativity and technical knowledge essential to project design and site planning. Dirtworks, PC provides a full range of professional services with a staff of technically trained and design-oriented landscape architects.

#### *About the NYASLA Chapter*

Founded in 1899, American Society of Landscape Architects ([www.asla.org](http://www.asla.org)) is the national professional association for landscape architects representing more than 14,200 members. New York State ([www.nyasla.org/](http://www.nyasla.org/)) has two chapters: New York Upstate, representing the communities north of Westchester, and the New York Chapter, representing the New York Metropolitan-Long Island region.