



# JESSE JONES ASLA

## Associate Principal



Jesse Jones brings a broad range of experience in landscape design and environmental analysis to every project. Primarily working in the public sector, Jesse's areas of focus include nature-based playgrounds and outdoor learning environments, climate resiliency and adaptive solutions for parks and open space, and large-scale recreational facilities. Jesse works across scales for a variety of public agencies throughout California—from high-level master planning to detailed construction drawings. As a landscape architect at PlaceWorks, Jesse leads a team of designers in concept development, construction documentation, and graphic production, providing quality assessment and control for landscape projects. Jesse believes that parks and open space are critical infrastructure and brings a deep commitment and focus to each of her projects. She takes an active role in project development and is strongly regarded for effective and efficient management.

Currently, Jesse is managing the master plan for Big Basin Redwoods State Park in Santa Cruz County, as well as construction drawings for Stewart Park Renovation in the City of Beaumont, Shields-Reid Park in the City of Richmond, and an Outdoor Library at Jerome Park in the City of Santa Ana. Prior to joining PlaceWorks, Jesse worked as landscape designer for restoration projects and as an outdoor education and school garden coordinator.

## HIGHLIGHTS OF EXPERIENCE

### Public Park Design and Construction

- Stewart Park | Beaumont CA
- Outdoor Library at Jerome Park | Santa Ana CA
- Tidewater Use Area of Martin Luther King Jr. Regional Shoreline, East Bay Regional Parks District | Oakland CA
- Shields-Reid Park | Richmond CA
- Snow Park and Lakeside Green Streets | Oakland CA
- Iris Chang Park | San Jose CA
- Jean Sweeney Open Space Park | Oakland CA
- 95th and Normandie Mini Park | Westmont Community of unincorporated Los Angeles County CA
- Markham Elementary Green Schoolyard | Oakland CA

### Park Master Planning

- Cudahy Park Opportunity Assessment | Cudahy CA
- LA County Master Plan for Sustainable Parks | Los Angeles County CA
- McKay Avenue Master Plan (Park Expansion at Crown Memorial State Beach) | Alameda CA

## EDUCATION

- Master of Landscape Architecture, University of California, Berkeley
- BA, Environmental Studies and Urban and Architectural Studies, New York University

## REGISTRATIONS

- California Licensed Landscape Architect No. 6371

## AFFILIATIONS

- American Society of Landscape Architects (ASLA)

## LEADERSHIP & COMMUNITY

- Transit to Parks Summit | Earvin "Magic" Johnson Recreation Area Conference, 2022 | Los Angeles County CA
- Oakland Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee, 2019–2022 | Oakland CA

## Team member since 2013



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- Thurgood Marshall Regional Park Master Plan, East Bay Regional Parks District | Concord CA
- Kelley Park Master Plan | San Jose CA
- Pigeon Point Light Station State Historic Park General Plan | Pescadero CA

### Streetscape and Trails

- Richmond Wellness Trail | Richmond CA
- Cross Alameda Trail | Alameda CA
- Wavecrest Coastal Trail Project | Half Moon Bay CA
- East and West Meda Plazas | Glendora CA
- Santa Rosa Avenue Streetscape | Santa Rosa CA
- Devil's Slide Coastal Trail | San Mateo County CA

### Open Space and Resource Planning

- Pacheco Marsh Public Access Plan | Martinez CA
- Reimagining Big Basin State Park | Santa Cruz CA

## SPEAKING ENGAGEMENTS

- "Sea Level Rise at Martin Luther King Jr. Regional Shoreline: Tidewater Use Area Precedent Study" | 2022 Rescape Speakers Series
- "Landscape Progress Administration" | 2011 Council of Educators in Landscape Architecture Conference | Los Angeles CA

## AWARDS

- 2020 Northern California Project of the Year, American Public Works Association, Northern California Chapter | Snow Park and Lakeside Green Streets | Oakland CA
- 2020 Transportation Project of the Year: \$5–\$25M: American Public Works Association, Northern California Chapter | Snow Park and Lakeside Green Streets | Oakland CA
- 2017 Sustainability Award: Green Region Initiative, Southern California Association of Governments (SCAG) | LA County Master Plan for Sustainable Parks
- 2016 Exceptional Urban Forestry Program Award, California Urban Forests Council | LA County Master Plan for Sustainable Parks
- 2016 Innovation in Green Community Planning Award of Merit, California APA, Los Angeles Section | LA County Master Plan for Sustainable Parks
- 2015 Implementation Award: Large Jurisdiction Award of Merit, California Chapter APA | Devil's Slide Coastal Trail
- 2015 Implementation Award: Large Jurisdiction, California APA, Northern Section | Devil's Slide Coastal Trail
- 2015 Bikeways & Trails Project of the Year Award, American Society of Civil Engineers, Region 9 | Devil's Slide Coastal Trail
- 2014 Project of the Year in the Environment/Parks, Under \$2M, American Public Works Association, Silicon Valley Chapter | Devil's Slide Coastal Trail
- 2014 Outstanding Bikeways/Trail of the Year, American Society of Civil Engineers, San Francisco Section | Devil's Slide Coastal Trail
- 2014 Excellence in Motion Merit Award, Metropolitan Transportation Commission | Devil's Slide Coastal Trail
- 2011 University Olmsted Scholar | Landscape Architecture Foundation
- 2010 Student Community Service Award of Excellence | Landscape Progress Administration | American Society of Landscape Architecture