

ECOLOGICAL DESIGN LAB AT RYERSON UNIVERSITY

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IN FALL 2015, Evergreen partnered with the Ecological Design Lab at Ryerson University under the direction of Dr. Nina-Marie Lister in the creation of a series of studio projects exploring the revitalization of the Lower Don watershed.

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THE PEOPLE'S PLAN

The People's Plan for the Riverfront Ribbon presents a vision to bring people back to the banks of the Don River, allowing them to find its special places, to make this riverfront park their own and transforming Toronto's relationship with the river at its heart. Emerging from Evergreen's Ribbon at the Lower Don campaign, the People's Plan embraces the potential to reconnect Toronto to the Don River Valley—it asks us to imagine audacious design interventions at key locations throughout the Lower Don, developed by leading North American landscape designers.

The city is waiting to be drawn into the valley, to embrace it as a shared green landscape for the existing and emerging neighbourhoods that surround it. The interventions in the People's Plan aim to ignite new places, to connect them seamlessly to each other and to the rest of the city, bridging the roads and railways that have kept the valley fragmented for so long. Striving to recognize and restore the valley's role as a natural system, the interventions highlight its rich history of institutions, recreation and industry and, in doing so, aim to build stronger physical and social connections between the city, its people, and the valley.

View/download The People's Plan at www.donrivervalley.com

ACCESSING THE RIBBON AT THE LOWER DON

Accessing the Ribbon at the Lower Don video paints a picture of the Don River Valley's beautiful landscape, its special history and illustrates the barriers to accessing this urban parkland in its current state.

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