

Barnabás Szakács

Location:	Budapest, Hungary
Workplace:	<p>Lépték-Terv Landscape Architecture Studio www.leptek.hu Founding Member, CEO, 2005-</p> <p>Viaplant www.viaplant.com Founding Member, CEO, 2019-</p>
Education:	<p>landscape architect urbanist and city management expert</p>



BIO

Barnabás Szakács is a landscape architect, urbanist, and founding member and CEO of both Lépték-Terv Landscape Architecture Studio (leptek.hu) and the Viaplant design brand (viaplant.com). With over two decades of professional experience, his work focuses on the complex renewal of urban public spaces and the exploration of plant-based materials through experimental design and artistic collaborations. As the head of Lépték-Terv, he has led numerous award-winning public realm and green infrastructure projects across Hungary. Through Viaplant, he bridges the realms of landscape and object culture, emphasizing sustainability and material poetics. His works have been featured in several exhibitions, and his professional accolades include the Landscape Architect of the Year Award, multiple ICOMOS-MUT recognitions, and Landscape Architecture Industry Awards.

STUDIES

2003-2005	<p>Budapest University of Technology and Economics Faculty of Architecture, Department of Urban Studies urbanist and city management expert</p>
1994-2001	<p>Corvinus University of Budapest Faculty of Landscape Architecture Landscape Architecture MSc.</p>

MEMBERSHIP IN PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS

2010-2014	<p>Hungarian Association of Landscape Architects Vice President</p>
2004-	<p>TÁJÉK art group a founding member</p>
2003-	<p>Membership of the Hungarian Chamber of Architects Landscape Division</p>
2000-	<p>Stana Workshop, Kalotaszeg village development technical and cultural grouping, founding member</p>

LANGUAGES

Hungarian	native language
English	C1
Romanian	A1

ACHIEVEMENTS AND AWARDS

Landscape Architecture Industry Award 2023 - Special Award 2023	Gyárkert Cultural Park in Veszprém
Landscape Architecture Industry Award 2021 - Educational, scientific, research works category 2021	Green Infrastructure Guidebooks
Landscape Architecture Industry Award 2021 - Public spaces, pedestrian streets, walkways category 2021	Újhegy Promenade, District X, Budapest
Architecture Industry Award Complex Infrastructure Category 2020	Újhegy Promenade, District X, Budapest
Flowery Hungary Competition Special Prize of the Hungarian Tourist Agency 2018	Újhegy Promenade, District X, Budapest
MUT - ICOMOS Public Space Renewal Industry Award Residential Renovation Category 2017	Újhegy Promenade, District X, Budapest
Landscape Architect of the Year Award Landscape Architect of the Year 2017	Lépték-Terv Landscape Architect Office
Landscape Architect of the Year Award Special Award for Landscape Artist 2015	Barnabás Szakács
MUT - ICOMOS Public Space Renewal Industry Award Residential Environment Public Spaces Category 2014	Budapest XVI. district, Complex Rehabilitation of Sashalom city center (co-creator: EKHO Építész Műterem)
MUT - ICOMOS Public Space Renewal Industry Award Certificate of commendation 2014	Development of Veszprém — Kossuth Lajos pedestrian street and related open spaces
Landscape Architect of the Year Award Special Award of the Association of Hungarian Architects 2014	Lépték-Terv Landscape Architect Office
I. Transylvanian Architecture Biennale 'Public Space' category, 1st prize 2013	Landscape architectural plan of the central section of Mill Canal in Reghin, Romania
János Hild Memorial Medal 2010	Budapest, XIII. district, renovation of Hollán Ernő Street
MUT - ICOMOS Public Space Renewal Industry Award Certificate of commendation 2010	Budapest, XIII. district, renovation of Hollán Ernő Street
MUT - ICOMOS Public Space Renewal Industry Award Certificate of commendation 2010	Renovation of Uránváros Main Square, Pécs
Floriade Expo, Haarlemmermeer, The Netherlands, Award for Excellence 2nd prize 2002	Hungarian Show Garden

DESIGN COMPETITION AWARDS

- *City Hall Park Design Competition*, Budapest, 2022 — **1st Prize**
- *Urban Renewal of Városmajor Park — Landscape Architecture Design Competition*, 2022 — 3rd Prize
- *Trianon 100 Memorial — Invited Competition*, Budapest, District XVIII, Hargita Square, 2019 — **1st Prize**
- *New Transport Museum — Architectural Design Competition*, Budapest, 2018 — 3rd Prize
- *MY CITY Tîrgu Mureş / Marosvásárhely City Centre Design Competition*, 2018 — 3rd Prize
- *Széchenyi Square Revitalisation — Urban Design Competition*, Szeged, 2018 — 3rd Prize
- *South Budapest Gateway — Urban Development Masterplan Competition*, 2018 — Purchase Award
- *Revitalisation of József Attila Housing Estate — Urban Design Competition*, Budapest, District IX, 2017 — Purchase Award
- *City Park (Városliget) Landscape Rehabilitation — Landscape Architecture Competition*, Budapest, 2016 — 2nd Prize
- *New National Gallery — International Invited Design Competition*, Budapest, 2015 — 2nd Prize
- *Derecske Orchard and Visitor Centre — Invited Competition*, 2014 — **1st Prize**
- *Community Centre and Main Square — Urban Design Competition*, Újpalota, 2014 — 3rd Prize
- *Pyrker Square Redevelopment — Invited Urban Design Competition*, Eger, 2013 — **1st Prize**
- *Széli Kálmán Square Redevelopment — Open Competition*, Budapest, 2012 — **1st Prize**
- *Ludovika Campus — Orczy Garden Landscape Concept — Open Ideas Competition*, 2012 — 2nd Prize
- *Platán Beach Development — Invited Design Competition*, Balatonboglár, 2011 — **1st Prize**
- *Uranium City Main Square — Open Urban Design Competition*, Pécs, 2008 — **1st Prize**
- *Renewal of Megyer District Centre — Open Urban Design Competition*, Pécs, 2008 — **1st Prize**
- *Revitalisation of Downtown Pécs — Széchenyi Square — Open Urban Design Competition* — Honourable Mention
- *Kossuth Square and Surroundings — Urban Design Ideas Competition*, Pestszentlőrinc, Budapest — Honourable Mention
- *Cseri Park Redevelopment — Invited Design Competition*, Kaposvár, 2007 — **1st Prize**
- *Intermodal Community Hub — Open Urban Design Competition*, Debrecen — Purchase Award
- *Zsámbék Basin — Archinovum Urban Planning Ideas Competition* — Purchase Award
- *Újpalota Main Square — Urban Design Ideas Competition*, District XV, Budapest — Purchase Award
- *Parliament Square Redevelopment — Urban Design Competition*, Kossuth Square, Budapest — Purchase Award
- *Búza Square Surface Redevelopment — Urban Design Ideas Competition*, Pécs — Purchase Award
- *Gazdagrét — Torbágy Street Playground — Invited Design Competition*, Budapest, 2002 — **1st Prize**
- *Evangelical Playground — Invited Design Competition*, District XI, Budapest, 2002 — **1st Prize**
- *Floriade International Horticultural Expo — Hungarian Garden*, The Netherlands, 2002 — 2nd Prize
- *Kossuth Square Surface Redevelopment — Urban Design Ideas Competition*, Pécs — Purchase Award
- *Bakáts Square — Urban Design Ideas Competition*, District IX, Budapest — Purchase Award