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Shannon Nichol is a founding partner of Gustafson Guthrie Nichol. Shannon's work has unified all types of complex, interdisciplinary projects into strikingly simple landscapes. From Millennium Park's Lurie Garden to the new Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation Campus, Shannon's designs have been widely recognized for a fluency with distinctive architecture and for incorporating high intensities of use into serene environments. Shannon interprets each site's characteristics into shaping forces that intuitively combine into one distinctive and ergonomic landform. Often, Shannon's goal is to host the most functions, most comfortably, on the simplest, softest surface.

Shannon is an honorary member of the American Institute of Architects (Seattle), a two-time finalist (with her partners) for the Cooper Hewitt National Design Award, and a LEED-accredited professional. Her work has received numerous national and regional Honor Awards for Design from ASLA and AIA, including multiple ASLA Design Excellence Awards. Recent examples of Shannon's work may be found in such projects as Boston's North End Parks and the McCaw Hall Opera House in Seattle. Shannon frequently serves on international design-award juries, professional boards, and design-advisory committees for cultural institutions.