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Local Landscape Designer Attends International Conference

July 28, 2004, Glenview, IL—Glenview-based landscape designer Tim Thoelecke, Jr., APLD™, ASLA attended the 2004 Summer Conference held by the Association of Professional Landscape Designer's (APLD™) in Richmond-Upon-Thames, England. The focus of the conference was "A European Experience" and featured internationally well-known English and European speakers including Jill Billington, BA, FSGD; Gilles Clément; Dr. Nigel Dunnett; Tony Heywood; Louisa Jones; Anthony Paul, MSGD; Dan Pearson; William Pye; Julie Toll; Dr. Isabelle van Groeningen; Brita von Schoenaich; and Cleve West. At the conference, APLD™ presented its prestigious Award of Distinction to English garden designer John Brookes, FSGD.

Headquartered at the renowned Kew Gardens, the conference also featured numerous garden tours, including visits to Painshill Park, Roche Court, and the Jenningsbury Wildflower Garden, as well as numerous private gardens.

Educated at London's Inchbald School of Design, this marked a return to familiar territory for Thoelecke. "It was really fun to return to England for the first time in fifteen years, to connect with old friends and visit gardens that have matured significantly since then."

APLD™ was founded in 1989 to promote the interests of landscape designers and the landscape design profession. The Association has established standards of practice through certification and provides continuing education and networking opportunities for professional landscape designers.

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