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Mind the Gap

A one-day symposium on the future of urban design education + practice

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Event Program

Welcome to the 2019 RUDC Symposium!

The Regional and Urban Design Committee (RUDC) at the American Institute of Architects welcomes you to our symposium on the future of urban design education and urban design practice.

Many of the challenges we face today as architects transcend the scale of a building. Issues of social equity, environmental degradation, resiliency, mobility and community need creative strategies and design solutions. Both academia and the profession have a role to play in providing peer, community-based and applied learning opportunities in the field of urban design.

Urban design offers an opportunity for architects to both expand their practices and influence beyond the property line to the block, neighborhood, city and regional scale. How can a stronger bridge be built from academia to the profession? What are we teaching and why? This symposium brings together leading educators in urban design programs from across the country and the firms that are implementing plans for structured conversations around the intersection of urban design teaching and practice.

Books

The AIA Store has acquired copies of books written by several of our speakers for your convenience. Visit the AIA Store on the first floor to purchase any of the following:

- Landscape Infrastructure, Case Studies by SWA (2011, Birkhauser)
- Rebuilding the American City, David Gamble and Patty Heyda (2016, Routledge)
- Remaking Post-Industrial Cities, Don Carter (2016, Routledge)
- Retrofitting Suburbia, Ellen Dunham-Jones and June Williamson (2011, Wiley)
- Urban Design, by Alex Krieger and William Saunders (2009, University of Minnesota Press)

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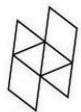
Schedule

Intro
9:00am

Welcome: William J. Bates, FAIA, 2019 AIA President
Framing the Conversation: David Gamble, AIA (Gamble Associates/Harvard GSD)

Session 1
9:15am

PEDAGOGY: The educational gap
Matt Bell, FAIA (Univ. of Maryland/Perkins Eastman)
Don Carter, FAIA (Carnegie Mellon University)
Stephen Luoni, Assoc. AIA (University of Arkansas Community Design Center)
Elizabeth Plater-Zyberk, FAIA (University of Miami)
Anne Tate (Rhode Island School of Design)

Session 2
10:30am

EQUITY: The social gap
Stefan Gruber (Carnegie Mellon University)
Patty Heyda (Washington University in St. Louis)
Joel Mills (AIA Center for Communities by Design)
Terry Schwarz (Kent State University Cleveland Urban Design Collaborative)

12:00pm **Lunch**

Session 3
1:00pm

CULTURE/LOCAL-GLOBAL: The context gap
Ellen Dunham Jones (Georgia Tech)
Sean O'Malley (SWA Group)
Dennis Pieprz, Assoc. AIA (Sasaki)
Carolyn Sponza, AIA (Gensler)

Session 4
2:30pm

URBAN DESIGN STUDIOS
Stephen Engblom, AIA (AECOM)
Paula Jane Loomis, FAIA (Stevens Institute of Technology)
Erkin Özay (University at Buffalo)
Taryn Sabia, Assoc. AIA (University of South Florida/RUDC)

Session 5
4:00pm

SUMMARY/BRIDGING THE GAP:
Claire Bedat (AECOM)
John Hoal, Assoc. AIA (Washington University in St. Louis)
Alex Krieger, FAIA (nbbj/Harvard GSD)
Amanda Loper, AIA (David Baker Architects)

5:30pm **Reception**

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Thank you for joining us today! Special thanks to all our speakers for developing their presentations and devoting their time, and to our sponsors whose generous contributions made this event possible.

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