Community Design Center News

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A Note from Executive Director, Maria Furgiuele

Katie Swenson's talk last week was titled: "Made with Love: Recipes for Community Changes" and focused on 'The Beloved Community' and how we could change the way we build community if we acted through the lens of Love and Forgiveness as our guiding principle.

"The term 'beloved community' was first coined in the early 20th century by the philosopher and theologian Josiah Royce, founder of the Fellowship of Reconciliation. Another member of the Fellowship, however, Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., popularized the term and invested it with deeper meaning. King talked about the beloved community in many of his speeches and sermons. For him, it was a global vision in which human decency wouldn't allow such societal ills as racism and other forms of discrimination, bigotry and prejudice, a community where poverty, hunger, and homelessness wouldn't exist and war was not an option.

Fundamental to the idea of beloved community is social and economic inclusiveness, a community where resources are distributed more evenly and all are embraced, none are discriminated against. The beloved community wasn't devoid of conflict, however. Dr. King saw conflict as a natural part of life, but he believed that conflicts could be resolved peacefully and adversaries could be reconciled if there was a commitment to nonviolence.

King saw the beloved community as a realistic and achievable goal that could be attained by a critical mass of people committed and trained in the philosophy and methods of nonviolence."*

"We commit to a world where justice, peace, and love replace hatred, exploitation, and violence."**

IMAGINE THAT!

*http://www.morningsidecenter.org/teachable-moment/lessons/nonviolent-protest-and-beloved-community

** http://douglass.io/bcpledge/index.html







Our City, Ourselves: connecting people and places

Join us for our next FREE* Reshaping Rochester lecture with Mark Dawson!



"Exploring the Spaces In Between"

Mark Dawson, FASLA Managing Principal, Sasaki

March 28, 7pm Gleason Works Auditorium (1000 University Ave)



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*Free lecture made possible by M&T Bank!

Register Here







Port of Rochester and Charlotte Community Charrette Report Complete!

The city of Rochester is comprised of diverse communities with celebrated histories and cultural identities. City of Rochester's neighborhood of Charlotte continues its identity as an international port of entry and waterfront community of Lake Ontario and the Genesee River. Its community charrette found that Residents and stakeholders agree that no matter the outcome of its future planning and development, intensive community engagement must be a part of the decision making-process.

The completed report will convey those visions of the residents and stakeholders for the Port of Rochester and Charlotte Community to assist advocating for improvements to their community.



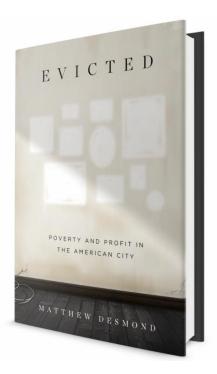


Reshaping Rochester Lecture with Katie Swenson

Thank you to everyone who joined us at last week's heartfelt lecture with Katie Swenson. We hope you were as inspired by her presentation as we were! A special thank you to Katie for taking the time to truly get to know Rochester and for helping us learn how to "love".

Please note: We strongly encourage you to pre-register for these lectures online ahead of time. This helps us keep better track of attendance (which is required for grants and sponsorships) and keeps the line at the front door moving quickly: a win-win for everyone!

Calling all Readers: Book Club Start-up!



We'd like to start a Book Club featuring books that relate to architecture, planning and community themes! Dates and frequency of meetings will be determined once we have feedback from the interested participants, but we propose a monthly lunch meeting to be hosted at the CDCR Gallery, on a Friday. Please email admin@CDCRochester.org if you are interested in participating!

Our first selection is EVICTED: Poverty and Profit in the American City by Matthew Desmond.

Pathstone will be hosting a special event with the author on May 9th at Temple B'rith Kodesh. Stay tuned for more details regarding this event!

<u>Click here</u> to read a review by the *NY Times*.

See what our friends are doing:



presents a FREE event featuring
Shawn Dunwoody, Dr. Ian Wilson and Ray Ray Mitrano

Shawn Dunwoody is a widely-recognized artist and activist. Dr. Ian Wilson is the founder of Wall Therapy and a well-known radiologist. They will be interviewed by artist Ray Ray Mitrano.

Wednesday, March 7th, 2018
5:30 PM to 7:30 PM (EST)
Downstairs Cabaret Theatre
20 Windsor Street
Rochester, NY 14605
Register here

Creating Brighton's Brickyard Trail



Tuesday, March 20th 7-8 pm Brighton Memorial Library 2300 Elmwood Avenue

Mark Bayer, of Bayer Landscape Architecture will discuss the conceptualization and design of one of Brighton's newest and most beautiful natural and historical destinations.

Weather permitting, there will be an optional guided walk with amateur naturalist Peggy Dempsey, prior to the talk. To participate in the walk, meet at the Elmwood trail entrance at 6 pm.

Presented by the Brighton Memorial Library and the Friends of the Brickyard Trail

More information here

2018 Design Awards











Call for Entries!

AIA Rochester presents the 2018 Design Awards. The Design Awards are established to encourage excellence in architectural design, to make the public more aware of our built environment, and to honor the owners and design and construction teams of successful projects.

More information <u>here</u> Download registration form <u>here</u>



Native Plant Sale
Hosted by the Genesee Land Trust

Kick off your garden while supporting a great cause. This annual fundraiser at Brighton Town Hall features native trees, shrubs, and wild flowers for sale.

Saturday, May 19, 9 AM -2 PM at Brighton Town Hall

More information <u>here</u>



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