

SUSTAINING CITIES: URBAN LOST AND FOUND

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Hefter Center University of Wisconsin–Milwaukee
April 17-18 2009

Big, rich, and first world: Cities fitting these descriptions have garnered much attention in their efforts to be sustainable. Yet how are other communities faring? This conference examines the impact of development on big cities but also on small towns. It considers urban redevelopment of old industrial cores as well as typically unexamined spaces that have become the new nexus of social and cultural interaction.



Conference Program

Friday, April 17

9:00-9:30 am

Welcome and Opening Statements

- **Provost Rita Cheng**
- **Patrice Petro, CIE Director**
- **Linda Krause, Conference Co-Chair**

9:30-10:45 am

Urban Place-Making

Moderator: Nancy Frank

- **Charles Waldheim**, University of Toronto
Planning, Ecology, and the Emergence of Landscape
- **Georgia Butina Watson**, Oxford Brookes University
The Art of Place-Making

10:45-11:00 am

Coffee Break

11:00-12:15 pm

The Disappeared, the Dispossessed

Moderator: Tasha Oren

- **Robert Neuwirth**, independent journalist
System D: The Extroverted City
- **Andrew Kincaid**, University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee
From "The Dead" to the Dead: The Disposable Bodies and Disposable Culture of Contemporary Dublin N

12:15-1:30 pm

Lunch and Presentation of Student Work

1:30-2:45 pm

Urban Lost and Found

Moderator: Linda Krause

Annual L&S Dean's Humanities Lecture

Thursday, April 16 3:30-5:00 pm (Zelazo 250)

Coinciding with the Sustaining Cities Conference, the College of Letters and Science is pleased to host Saskia Sassen, author of *Global Cities*, for its Annual Dean's Humanities Lecture. The topic is: *The World's Third Spaces: Neither Global nor National.*

- **Bob Greenstreet**, University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee
Milwaukee in Focus
- **Robert Bruegmann**, University of Illinois at Chicago
Global Sprawl

2:45-3:00 pm

Coffee Break

3:00-4:15 pm

Cocooning, Mobilities

Moderator: A. Aneesh

- **Sherry Ahrentzen**, Arizona State University
Stealth Sustainability and Housing Practices
- **John Urry**, Lancaster University
The City and Car Futures

4:30-5:30 pm

UWM Department of Geography's Harold Mayer Lecture Series

- **Jennifer Wolch**, University of Southern California
Climate Change and the Carbon Hoofprint of Cities

Saturday, April 18

9:00-9:15 am

Welcome

Patrice Petro, Conference Co-organizer

9:15-10:30 am

Global Economic Pressures

Moderator: Ghada Masri

- **Linda McCarthy**, University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee
Questioning Unsustainable Competition for Corporate Investment in a Global Economy
- **Christine Scott Thomson**, University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee
Laboratory for Responsive Urbanism: Sustainable Development Strategies for Small Communities with an Inter-Cultural Focus

10:30-10:45 am

Coffee Break

10:45-12:00 pm

Sustainable Development

Moderator: Kris Ruggiero

- **Alfonso Iracheta**, Advisor and Consultant, World Bank
Sustainable City: Crisis and Opportunity in Mexico
- **Tim Ehlinger**, University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee

12:00-1:30 pm

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Sustainable Art

Moderator: Lane Hall

- **Stephanie Smith**, Smart Museum of Art, Chicago
Sustainable Art in Urban Territories
- **Mo Zell**, University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee
Northeastern University Veterans Memorial: An Urban University's Role in Creating the Public Realm Through a Single Architectural Gesture

2:45-3:00 pm

Coffee Break

3:00-4:15 pm

Envisioning the Urban

Moderator: Arijit Sen

- **Paula Massood**, Brooklyn College
Imagining a Promised Land: (The Historical Precedents of) Recent African American Films Set in Harlem
- **Ackbar Abbas**, University of California-Irvine
Chinese Cities: Design and Disappearance

4:15 pm

Closing Remarks and Wrap-up

Linda Krause and Patrice Petro



Conference Organizers

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