

**Avenues of Exchange: Professionals, Educators, and Communities
Building Equitable, Healthy, and Resilient Cities**

*Sponsored by the AIA Housing and Community Development Knowledge
Community*

Increasingly architectural education and practice are addressing issues of social equity and community engagement. Using Detroit as a springboard, professionals will gather to learn about and discuss how governments, community groups, and residents are planning for more sustainable and healthy neighborhoods nationally. Workshop participants will explore the role of community design centers, both nationally and locally, with an in-depth tour to learn how community groups in Detroit have successfully worked with design centers and professionals. Other panel sessions will focus on housing and resiliency as critical factors in improving community health and well-being. Speakers will share their best practices in teaching, and participants will discuss strategies for practice and education they can bring back to the academic studio.

6.5 HSW CES credits for attendance.

Schedule—Wednesday, March 22

Westin Book Cadillac Hotel

9:00-10:15 Keynote: Building Equitable, Healthy and Resilient Cities: from Government to Grassroots

How are cities planning for more sustainable and healthy neighborhoods, working alongside community organizations and community development professionals?

Margaret O'Donoghue Castillo, FAIA, Chief Architect, New York City Department of Design and Construction

Moderator: Simon Ha, AIA, Steinberg Architects

10:15-11:30 Panel 1: Teaching and Researching Housing and Resiliency

This panel focuses on how universities are collaborating with housing and community development professionals to tackle issues of affordable housing in the context of resiliency planning.

Speakers

Scott Gerald Shall, AIA, Lawrence Technological University
Deborah Gans, FAIA, Pratt Institute/Gans Studio
Susan Rogers, University of Houston Community Design
Resource Center
Facilitator: Karen Kubey, New York Institute of Technology

Tour departs from Westin Book Cadillac Hotel

11:45-12:00 Introduction to Detroit
12:00-12:30 Tour of The Alley Project, 8869 Avis Street
12:30-1:30 Lunch and presentation at Grace in Action (1725 Lawndale
Street)
A presentation and panel discussion about The Alley Project
and the new Avis & Elsmere community space for Young
Nation and the surrounding community. Speakers will include
Kristen Smith, Et al. Collaborative, as well as residents. The
discussion will focus on community engagement and
collaborating on community development projects.

Speakers

Tadd Heidgerken, et al. Collaborative
Dan Pitera, FAIA, Detroit Collaborative Design Center
Erik Howard, Young Nation

Facilitator: Ceara O'Leary, Detroit Collaborative Design Center

1:30-2:30 Tour Detroit neighborhood sites with Steve Lewis, City of Detroit
Planning Department

Lawrence Tech Detroit Center for Design and Technology

2:30-4:00 Panel 2: Community Development with Youth
Focus on curricula and teaching strategies that integrate design
education in the K-12 context focusing on student-led design
work with community impact. Brief presentations followed by
panel and audience discussion.

Speakers

Milton S.F. Curry, University of Michigan ArcPrep
Kelly Lyons, Cranbrook Art Museum
Catherine Baker, AIA, Landon Bone Baker Architects (invited)

Facilitator: Donald I. King, FAIA, Mimar Studio

4:00-5:00

Closing Session: Defining the Future of Exchange

Facilitator: Kathy Dorgan, FAIA, Dorgan Architects

5:00

Reception