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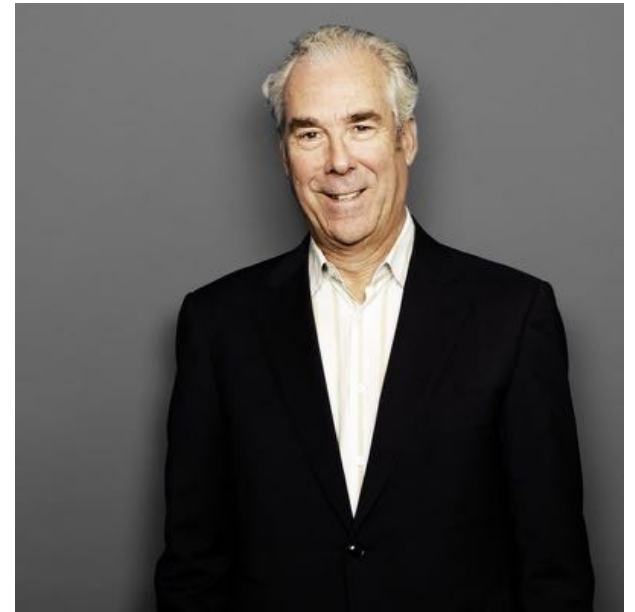
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ULI Toronto's Curtner Urban Leadership Program is an annual curriculum-based program designed to immerse mid-career professionals from different disciplines in Toronto city building, to create positive change in our city. The program is sponsored by BDP Quadrangle in memory of one of its founding partners, Brian L. Curtner. The program reflects many of Brian's passions, including city building, mentorship and collaboration.



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THE YELLOW BELT
TOWN HALL

More Housing Choices in Our Neighbourhoods



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Panel Discussion



Cheryl Case
 Founder,
 CP Planning



Rosemarie Powell
 Executive Director,
 Toronto
 Community
 Benefits Network



Zahra Ebrahim
 Co-founder,
 Monumental
 Projects





Recap of this Year!



Daily tous les jours is an award winning art and design studio based in Montréal. We create collective human experiences for public spaces. Strangers need strange moments together.





Joy is so important it is practical.

- *It feeds the human spirit so it can continue to invent and make us all more resilient and tolerant.*
- *It is the fuel to ensure a better future.*
- *It doesn't require a stack of traditional practicalities to support its case. It can stand on its own and be invested in the same way as conventional civil infrastructure.*

Joy is practical.



2022-2023 Program

Tackling Civic Challenges with Community Joy





2022 - 2023 Curtner Urban Leadership Program Kicked Off!





2022 – 2023 Curtner Urban Leadership Program Sessions!





2022 – 2023 Curtner Urban Leadership Program Tours!



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Session 1, Team 3



Presentation Topic: Social Capital

Team challenge: Finding Belonging in the City through Active Celebration



Leah Dow

Urban Planner - Real Estate
Economics, and Planning
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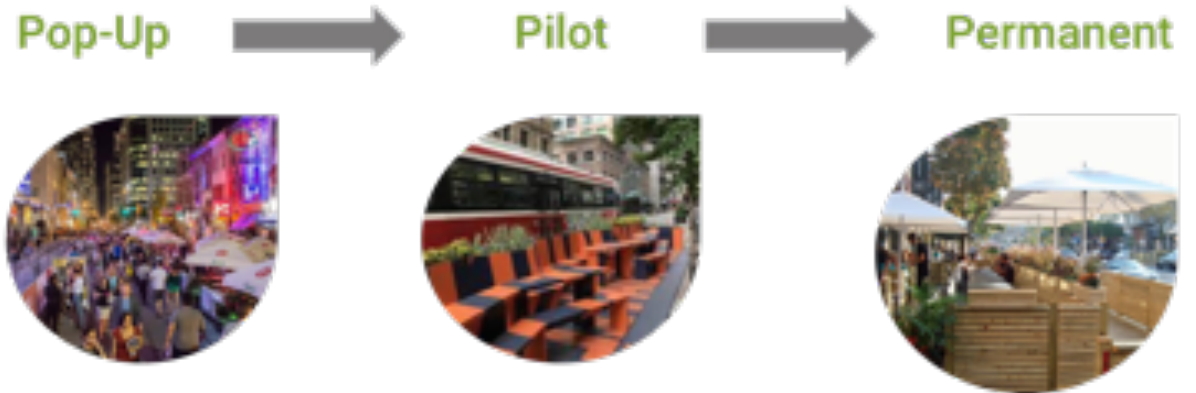
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Weston Consulting



“Effective democratic governance depends on social capital. That is, the connections between individuals and their social networks and the reciprocity and trustworthiness that arise from those connections.”

- **Robert D. Putnam**



Social Capital Panel Discussion



Astrid Greaves
Senior Urban Designer
Arcadis IBI Group



Kelsey Carriere
Senior Project Manager
at Park People



Sinéad Moran
Community Ambassador
of Dream Community
Foundation (DCF)



Phyllis Novak
Playwright, Director,
Storyteller, Educator





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Session 5, Team 2

Presentation Topic: **Healthy Cities**

Team challenge: **Built Form Housing; Vertical Density
and Joy in Community Building**



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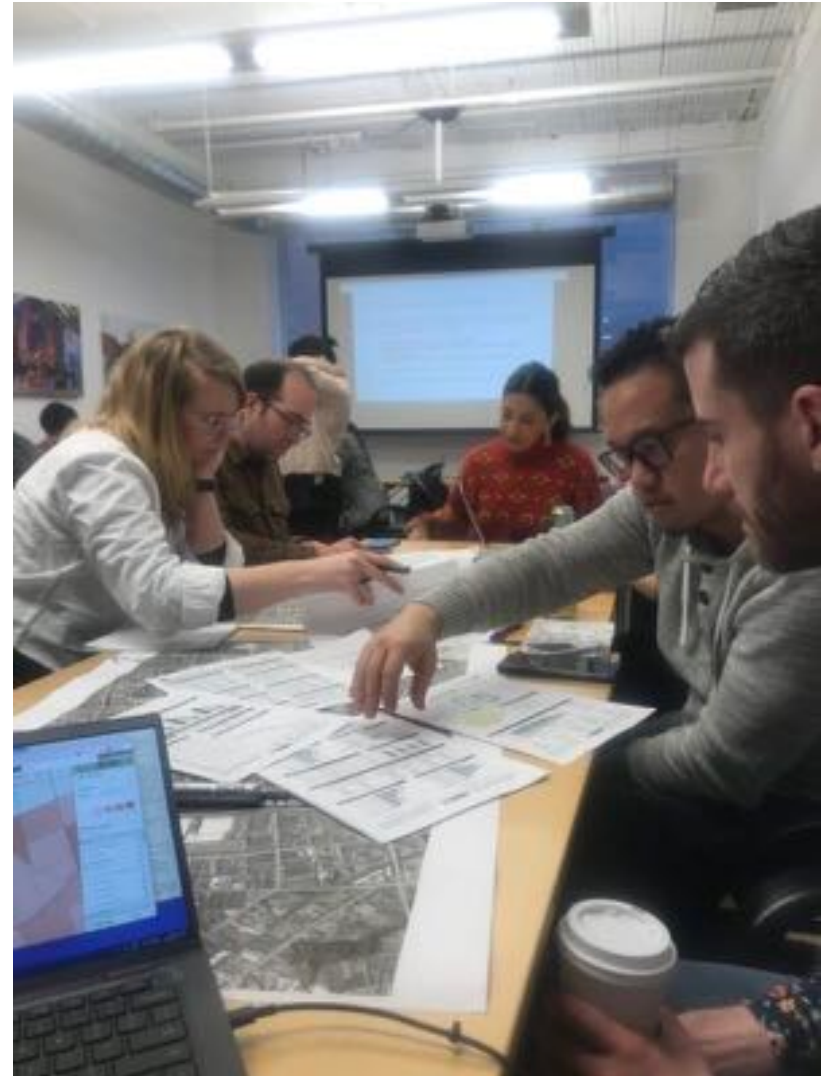
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Gil Penalosa

MBA, PhDc, CSP

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Creator, Master Classes, C4E
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Session 3, Team 4

Presentation Topic: Processes

Team challenge: Long-Term Pedestrianization & Participatory Place-Making Urbanism



Becky Katz
Manager of Cycling & Pedestrian Projects
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Mark Francis
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Yasir Amr
Architect & Project Lead
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Architects

Team 4: Processes – Key Take Aways

- Processes in city building and urban design come in top-down and bottom-up approaches
- Top-down approaches echo urban planning rationales of Le Corbusier, Bottom-Up similarly echoes the work of Jane Jacobs.
- Finding the shared ground between the two develops a Hybrid process.
- This allows bottom-up input with top-down procedures to marry the two ideals.
- We believe Community Joy can be brought out in a thorough implementation of a Hybrid approach.
- Real world example: 20th century Post-War Tokyo.



Michelle Berquist
GearyWorks / City
Planning Division



Darren Christopher
All Ours Studio /
Darren Christopher Projects





Session 4, Team 5

Presentation Topic:

Team challenge:

Data, Measurement & City Building

Reframing the Developer/Community Relationship



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Team 5: Summary



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Session 6, Team 1

Presentation Topic: Joy Through Adversity

Team challenge: Supporting Democratic Participation in Community through Music & Art



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A faded, yellow-tinted photograph of a person performing a backflip on a basketball court. The person is in mid-air, with their legs tucked and arms extended. In the background, other people are visible on the court, and there are trees and a building. The overall scene is outdoors and appears to be a casual basketball game.

Ross Gay on pick-up basketball courts and creating elsewhere, Inciting Joy.

“All birds sing, but maybe early birds the loudest, or it seems that way anyway, especially when the early birds are mostly Black across from the fancy condos, down the street from Whole Foods, soon to be (the) Amazon, playing a game whose song is loud and brash and consoling and flaunting and flouncy and tender and cackling and profoundly unsingular, endlessly emergent, schools in the kin-dom, practicing for an elsewhere we are in the midst of by practicing it. Practicing the elsewhere we imagine.”



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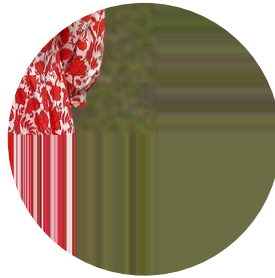
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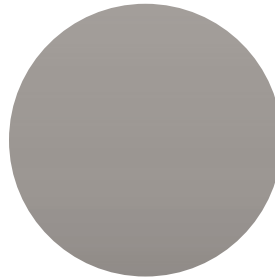
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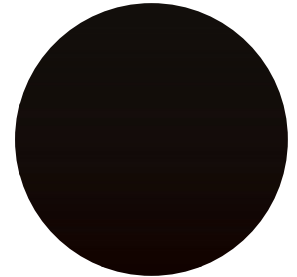
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Upcoming Events



JUN 20, 2023

ULI Toronto: WLI Toronto - Celebrating the Impact of the Championship Team

5:00 PM - 7:30 PM EDT
Stackt Market
28 Bathurst Street
Toronto, ON M5V 0C6



JUL 5, 2023

ULI Toronto: 11th Annual Summer Social

5:30 PM - 8:30 PM EDT
RendezViews
229 Richmond St W
Toronto, ON M5V 1W2
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JUL 27, 2023 - JUL 28, 2023

ULI Toronto: Kitchener/Waterloo/Cambridge Trip 2023

Jul 27, 2023 - Jul 28, 2023
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