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Community Design Center News

June 2018



## ***From our Executive Director, Maria Furgiuele***

A special "Thank You" to all who worked on, sponsored and/or attended our Lecture Series presentations this year! We are hard at work planning for next year's series. Please do not hesitate to communicate to me any ideas regarding potential topics or speakers that are of interest.

Our Luncheon speaker, Katrina spoke about how women are under-represented in the creation of our built environment and the value of creating a "Feminist City". This has led me to think about how women interact and experience space differently than men do. Her presentation is a great foundation for starting a conversation about Women in Space and what a Feminist City might look like. Eventually, I would like to refer to our urban environment as a "Humanist City". This would require that the voices of all people living in the community be included. For any of you who are interested in participating in this conversation, please let me know. I'd like to host a Roundtable Meeting to discuss this in more detail and gather your feedback about your ideas and experiences. This meeting is open to all.

Please do not hesitate to contact me at [maria@cdcrochester.org](mailto:maria@cdcrochester.org).

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## **Reshaping Rochester Luncheon with Katrina Johnston - Zimmerman!**

We closed out our 2018 Reshaping Rochester Series to a sold out crowd at last week's May 31st Luncheon with urban anthropologist, Katrina Johnston-Zimmerman! Katrina's talk, "Sparking Change: Women in Design" was both captivating and provocative, and a great wrap-up to this year's Series.

Thank you to everyone who came and participated in any of the events with Katrina. We would also like to send a heartfelt thank you to Katrina for her unique insights and up for anything personality!

*To listen to the Podcast of the Luncheon [click here](#).  
(A special thank you to Carl Pultz for this recording!)*

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## **Washington Square Park Design Exploration**

CDCR is pleased to share that the Washington Square Park Design Exploration charrette was a great success with participation from city of Rochester residents, business owners, organizations and design professionals on Saturday, June 2nd.

Over 30 participants worked to think about Washington Square Park's opportunities. Ideas included celebrating the Park's history, providing amenities that encourage the parks use and creating an identity.

This would not have been possible without the Rochester Area Community Foundation's generous support.

The Steering Committee will now work with its consultant Stantec to create a conceptual design based on charrette findings that will be included in a final report. This report is expected to be made available to the public at a celebration event in January 2019.



*Stay tuned for more information!*





## **A New Opportunity for Director of Design Services, Aaron Lehman**

It is a time of great reflection as I share my decision with you that I am leaving the Community Design Center Rochester (CDCR) as Director of Design Services to pursue a new career path as a Landscape Designer at Environmental Design Research (EDR).

The truly wonderful, compassionate and dedicated community of CDCR has made it abundantly clear to me that Rochester is a place of resiliency and vitality worthy of a lifetime of devotion in making it a truly beautiful place for future generations to come. I am overwhelmingly grateful for this experience and would not have been able to achieve my personal accomplishments otherwise.

While I will no longer be staff at the CDCR as of January 15th, my position with EDR will allow me to continue my involvement with the organization as a dedicated volunteer.

So I thank you for the truly moving experiences that you have all shared with me in one way or another and hope that you will continue to support the CDCR.

Warm Regards,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Aaron M. Lehman". The signature is stylized and includes a long horizontal flourish.

Aaron M. Lehman



Make Music Rochester is back! We are excited to announce that the second annual event in Rochester, NY will take place on the summer solstice, **Thursday, June 21, 2018.**

This is a one-day event in which free live musical performances, opportunities to make music, and other musical happenings take place on the longest day of the year. Festivities in Rochester are part of a global celebration of music-making in over 700 cities, inspired by France's Fête de la Musique.

Everyone is invited - from professional musicians to people who have never picked up an instrument - to join in the celebration by attending one or more of our many events. Performances are scheduled all around the Rochester area from **12:00 Noon to 9:00PM.**

To attend, visit [www.makemusicroc.org](http://www.makemusicroc.org) and review performance listings-or merely wander through the streets on June 21 and discover the musical soundscape of our beautiful city.

*All performances are free to create and attend. We hope to see you there!*

**OUT** and  
**ABOUT** 

*See what our friends are up to!*

The logo for the Rochester Women's Bike Festival is a vertical rectangle with a pink border. At the top, the word 'ROCHESTER' is written in black on a pink background. Below this is a yellow square containing a black bicycle wheel. Underneath the wheel is a pink circle with a black female symbol (a circle with a vertical line and a horizontal crossbar). Below the circle, the words 'WOMEN'S BIKE' are written in white on a pink background. At the bottom of the logo, the word 'FESTIVAL' is written in black on a pink background.

**SATURDAY JUNE 9, 2018**  
**9 AM – 3 PM**

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**85 ADAMS STREET**  
**ROCHESTER, NY**

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# 2018 Design Awards



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*June 15, 2018 @ Arbor Lofts*

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