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Victor Dover, urban designer and co-author of "Street Design: The Secret to Great Cities and Towns "(Wiley, January 2014), is an expert on how to redesign our streets, and, in the process, shape enduring cities that people really love. For 25 years, Dover has been designing walkable, sustainable places. His work spans five continents and ranges from revitalizing historic downtowns to retrofiting suburbs. His firm Dover Kohl have created award-winning neighborhoods such as l'On in Mount Pleasant, South Carolina and Glenwood Park in Atlanta, Georgia. Victor is a Fellow of the American Institute of Certified Planners. He served as the national chair of the Congress for the New Urbanism from 2010 - 2012. He was instrumental in founding and setting the educational curriculum for the National Charrette Institute and the Form-Based Codes Institute, both leading think tanks.

Victor Dover, FAICP
January 28th, 7-9pm
Gleason Works Auditorium (1000 University Ave)

Tickets are now on-sale!

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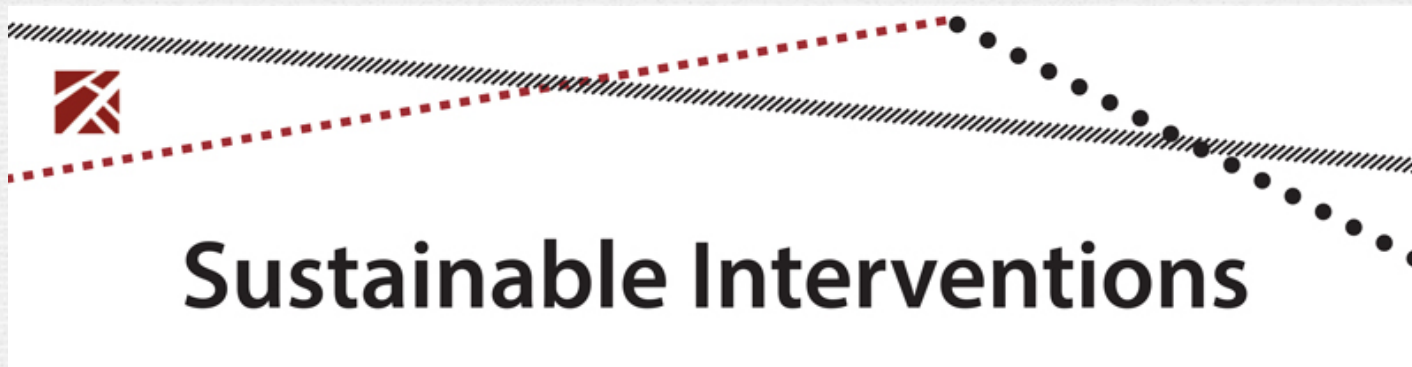
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Stay tuned for a full schedule coming soon!

Student Gallery Exhibit On Display!



The CDCR invited students from Alfred State's SUNY College of Technology Urban Design Studio, and RIT's Golisano Institute for Sustainability Master of Architecture program to come together to present this year's annual student show, "Sustainable Interventions", in our Design Gallery.

RIT Architecture students each worked on a Thesis for their final semester to integrate their understanding of sustainability in the context of architectural design exploration. These projects focused on a variety of topics including disaster mitigation, urban design, biomimicry, and intervention. SUNY Alfred Architecture students worked to produce a Community Vision for the Village of Savona in Steuben County. Their work investigated potential development for five key areas to improve connections. In addition, they defined an overall conceptual focus for new development and presented the ideas as a series of phased interventions. 4 Projects, an exhibit presented in October, will continue to show through January featuring selected projects from the Community Design Center's Development/Design Fund grant awardees.

These projects are proposals for adaptive reuse, ideas to redo facades and reactivation of vacant lots.

The Design Gallery is open from 9am-5pm. We suggest calling before visiting.

Development/Design Fund - Thank You!



The Community Design Center Rochester is pleased to announce the grant awardees from our **Development / Design Fund Program** Fall 2014 cycle. Awardees include the **Beechwood Neighbors Greenhouse Collaborative** and the **Ibero - American Development Corporation**. Congratulations!

Beechwood Neighbors Greenhouse Collaborative (BNGC)

This project, initiated by local parents and community members, focuses on increasing accessibility to healthy/locally grown food to an area of the city that has been identified as a "food swamp." Building upon an existing network of food access and education, the project site will become another hub for healthy food access and fostering social connections. The award will be used to design a conceptual site plan and programming for the property located at 359 Webster Avenue, behind the Freedom Market. In addition to improving the neighborhood's health, long term goals include strengthening relationships across the

community.

Ibero - American Development Corporation (IADC)

The IADC was seeking predevelopment funding for architectural and planning services that would help to prioritize the development of two sites within the El Camino area. This award will support phase 1 of this project which will explore the feasibility and site selection of two locations that might be transformed into a new community space. Working extensively with residents, they collectively view developing a sustainable community site as the next step in neighborhood progress. The eventual building rehabilitation will not only improve the aesthetics of the neighborhood but also provide a place that supports community activities and events.

We would also like to thank all of the applicants who applied during this cycle. This was one of our most competitive group of applications to date. Stay tuned for updates on these and our other ongoing projects and keep an eye out for information about our next grant cycle in Spring 2015. The **Development/Design Fund Program** has been generously supported by the Louis. S. and Molly B. Wolk Foundation, the Max and Marion Farash Charitable Foundation, and the New York State Council on the Arts.



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For more information about the Design Fund [click here](#).

Kosovo: The Design Center on the Road!

CDCR's Joni Monroe and Roger Brown travel to Kosovo!

Joni Monroe and Roger Brown have been invited to partner in a 3 day Community Design Symposium to be held in May 2015 in Prishtina, Kosovo. They will lend their skills in

community design as part of a program funded through a grant from the US Department of State secured by the American University. The symposium aims to share ideas and case studies on successful models of community design and urban planning in North America and Europe as applies to spatial planning and urban development issues in Prishtina and other municipalities in Kosovo.

Tati's Updates

If it seems like the Design Center has been quiet this month, it's only because we're getting ready for big things in 2015! We're looking forward to a fresh start, and we hope you are too. Wishing you all a Peaceful and Happy New Year!

Tatiana

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