

INTERNATIONAL

Urban Design Conference

Waves of change - cities at crossroads

International Urban Design Conference, being held on the Gold Coast, Australia 6, 7 & 8 September, 2007

The Conference theme "Waves of Change – Cities at Crossroads" will challenge us all to examine the future for our towns and cities.



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The Conference

The wave of environmental challenges will affect communities through global warming and likely sea level rises. The ability of urban centres world-wide to cope with the impacts of high level fuel costs will also be examined. The physical separation of home from work and recreation may need to be re-addressed in city design.

- Day one celebrates the official conference launch followed by challenging keynote addresses about the issues confronting our cities and what we might do about it.
- Day two is a whirlpool of presentations taking the macro view down to micro insights into local and international research, design tools and models that can lead the way towards sustainable urban habitats.
- Day three erupts with a hot debate moderated by Jennie Brockie, followed by even more keynote addresses exploring the ways and means of building capacity within our communities, our future designers, and policy makers to implement the necessary adaptations to our cities.

The event includes discussions, debates and tours of South East Queensland, Australia's fastest growing region showcasing the attributes of a premier tourist destination, from tall buildings to medium density housing to the hinterland "Eco-village" development.

The conference Gala Dinner will include the biennial Gold Coast Urban Design Awards 2007.

This conference will be attended by:

- **Policy makers**
- **Politicians**
- **Senior public servants**
- **City Governance personnel**
- **Development Industry**
- **Design professionals**
- **Architects**
- **Landscape Architects**
- **Engineers**
- **Town Planners**
- **Urban Designers**
- **Consultants**

The conference will include:

- **Study Tours**
- **Concurrent Sessions**
- **Keynote Plenary Speakers**
- **Exhibition Opening Function**
- **Awards Gala Dinner**

- **Social planners...** and those in the community who are keen to learn what's working well nationally and internationally in meeting the challenges which confront fast-changing communities.

We look forward to welcoming you to our part of Queensland to enjoy the beautiful spring weather.

Philip Follent

Gold Coast City Architect Conference Co-chair

The Destination

Gold Coast City spans across 1,402 square kilometres (approx. 541 square miles) featuring 70 kilometres of coastline from South Stradbroke Island to Rainbow Bay.

Population

As at 30 June 2006, the population for Gold Coast City was estimated to be 497,568 persons, being the second largest Local Government Area (LGA) in Australia in terms of numbers. The population is expected to increase to 683,568 residents in the year 2021.

For information on the social demographics of Gold Coast City – housing, income, education, families and households – please visit our social research page at www.goldcoast.qld.gov.au

Climate

Gold Coast City's climate is sub-tropical with 287 days of sunshine annually.

Average Summer Temperatures: 19 to 29 degrees Celsius (66 to 83 degrees Fahrenheit).

Average Winter Temperatures: 9 to 21 degrees Celsius (48 to 69 degrees Fahrenheit).

Transport

The region is served by Gold Coast International Airport, with frequent domestic services from Melbourne, Sydney, Adelaide and Hobart, and International services from New Zealand, Japan and Asia. Brisbane's International Airport also provides links with the USA and Europe.

Gold Coast Airport has undergone refurbishment, which has positioned it as the South Pacific's leading leisure destination. A rail link and Pacific Motorway connects Brisbane to the Gold Coast. Visit our transport page at www.goldcoast.qld.gov.au for details of how to get around.

Environment

In 1998, research highlighted that Gold Coast City is the most biologically-diverse city in Australia. Its vegetation ranges from mountain rainforest to coastal wetlands and is home to more than:

- 34 species of amphibians
- 323 birds
- 72 mammals
- 71 reptiles
- and 25 species of fish.

**Presenters
have been
invited from
Australia,
Canada,
USA, UK
Europe,
New
Zealand
& Asia**

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Attractions and Features

Gold Coast City is a dynamic city with a wide variety of built and natural attractions including:

- 70 kilometres of beaches with an average water temperature of 22 degrees celsius
- A large broadwater and five major river systems
- Major shopping centres as well as numerous boutiques, specialty shops and markets
- More than 500 restaurants and cafes offering cuisine from around the world
- Nightlife entertainment from nightclubs, restaurants, clubs, hotels and Conrad Jupiters Casino to Broadway musicals, ballet and theatre
- Theme parks including Warner Bros. Movie World, Sea World, Dreamworld, and Wet 'n' Wild as well as several wildlife parks such as Currumbin Wildlife Sanctuary
- Rural hinterland stretching to the west and north of the City encompassing many natural wetlands
- Tropical rainforest with abundant wildlife and numerous bush walks
- Large sugar cane farms and a wealth of industry in the northern districts of the City
- World-class sporting and recreational facilities
- A huge range of accommodation from five-star international resorts to camping grounds
- The Gold Coast Seaway providing safe ocean access and over 270 kilometres of navigable waterways



The Venue

Conrad Jupiters – Five Star Gold Coast Accommodation

Conrad Jupiters is an imposing landmark set on its own island at Broadbeach in the heart of Australia's Gold Coast. Excitement is everywhere at Conrad Jupiters and the action at the resort's 24 hour Jupiters Casino can't be beaten. This is Gold Coast accommodation at its best – for a great night out guests can dine in one of six restaurants or have a drink in one of nine bars and dance the night away with live entertainment. Recover from the conference action by taking a swim in the temperature controlled pool, have a spa or sauna, or maybe a workout at the Conrad Fitness Centre.

Discover Broadbeach and the Gold Coast

Enjoy all that Conrad Jupiters has to offer or catch the Monorail for some shopping or spend a day on the beach and discover why the Gold Coast and Broadbeach are so famous.



Sponsorship Overview

The conference will provide many business opportunities to promote products and brands as well as network with national and international colleagues. We have an International data base of 4000 and an Australian/NZ distribution of 4200. Each receives a monthly conference Enews letter. These will contain logos and links to all major sponsors' websites.

To cater for smaller companies and consultants we will offer some advertising opportunities in the conference collateral.

The conference will generate 100,000 emails and distribute 10,000 printed brochures.

Some sponsorship opportunities can be tailored to suit your company's needs.

Call Peter Sugg (61 7) 55282501 to discuss your requirements.

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Jenny Brockie

Jenny Brockie is a multi award winning journalist and documentary maker.

She is the presenter of "Insight" on SBS TV - a forum where more than 50 people meet each week to discuss a single topic. Jenny will host a lively debate with a panel... and the delegates at the conference."



Invited Speakers Include:

Prof Ian Bentley



Ian Bentley is Project Director of the Oxford Brookes University's Urban Regeneration Consultancy. He has worked as an architect in private practice, as a Director then Managing Director of a property company working mainly in the Netherlands, and has been associated with the University's School of Built Environment's Joint Centre For Urban Design since its foundation. Recent major practice work includes developing urban design strategies for the Angell Town Estate, Brixton which was awarded the Times/RIBA Community Award for Partnership 1991 and the Civic Trust Award 1994.

Prof Elaine Gallagher



Elaine Gallagher is currently the Director of the Centre on Aging at the University of Victoria, Canada. She has an internationally established track record in relation to research on falls and fall-related injury prevention among the elderly. A Full Professor in the School of Nursing, she holds adjunct appointments at the University of Victoria Centre on Ageing and the Gerontology Program at Simon Fraser University. The Canadian Association of Nurse Researchers named her "Researcher of the Year" in 2002.

Prof Jan Gehl



Jan Gehl is Professor of Urban Design at the School of Architecture, Royal Danish Academy of Fine Arts in Copenhagen. He is also the founding partner of Gehl Architects - Urban Quality Consultants. His research on public spaces and public life began in Copenhagen, but was quickly applied to many other cities in Europe, North America, Asia and Australia. His ideas and approach to the design of public spaces incorporate cutting edge technology without losing sight of what best supports and enhances people's experience of everyday life in the public realm.

Mayor Jeremy Harris



Mayor Jeremy Harris served for more than ten years as the Mayor of the City and County of Honolulu, Hawaii, the 12th largest city in the United States. He retired from politics in January 2005. Prior to becoming Mayor, he was Honolulu's longest serving Managing Director, a position he held for nine years. Mayor Harris is currently a senior visiting faculty member in energy and environment at the Royal Institute of Technology in Stockholm, Sweden, and an advisor on sustainability to the National Academy of Science in Washington D.C.

Ms Ruth Durack



Ms Ruth Durack has had 20 years of experience as an urban design consultant, government planner and part-time academic, Ruth is a staunch advocate of a non-profit, collaborative approach to achieving urban design excellence. Ruth is a former Director of Kent State University's Urban Design Center of Northeast Ohio. Before moving to Ohio, she spent over 15 years in urban design practice with Wallace Roberts & Todd, in the Philadelphia and San Francisco offices; and 2 years with the Planning Department of the City of Philadelphia as the Project Director for conversion of the Philadelphia Naval Base. In Philadelphia, she taught urban design studios and seminars as an adjunct faculty member at Drexel, Temple and the University of Pennsylvania. She is a graduate of the University of Western Australia, has Masters degrees in Architecture and Planning from the University of Pennsylvania and the University of California at Berkeley, and is a Loeb Fellow of the Graduate School of Design at Harvard.

Invited Speakers Continued:

Mr Richard Neville

Richard Neville is Australia's most controversial Futurist. He has been a practising futurist since 1963, when he launched a magazine that widened the boundaries of free speech on two continents. His aim is always the same: to stimulate, alert and inform people about the rapid approach of the future. What are the patterns behind the blur? What are the driving forces of change? How will our lives be affected? Richard looks at work, learning, lifestyle, cities, high tech, the new economics, weather, the seven deadly threats facing the world, and more. As well as dealing with the perils and promise of what lies ahead, Richard offers his audience a range of take-away tools for decoding the future.

**Mr Michael Norton
OBE**

Michael Norton is a speaker, social innovator and author of "365 Ways to Change the World". He is a man intent on changing the world - and enlisting others to do so on a daily basis. His infectious enthusiasm and ingenious approach to social innovation is both practical and influential. A merchant banker turned social activist, Michael Norton has devoted the past 30 years to running voluntary organisations, picking up an OBE on the way for services to charity. He wears his social conscience lightly and is determined to put the fun back into doing the right thing, showing how the smallest actions can have an impact on a local community as well as the wider world.

Mr Alex Tzannes

Alec Tzannes is the incoming President of the Royal Australian Institute of Architects (commencing May 2007) and founding Director of Tzannes Associates, a firm that has received over 30 awards for architecture and urban design in Australia. Underpinning the work of the Tzannes studio is a commitment to the design of the public environment. On a more poetic level, the Tzannes studio explores architecture that engages with concepts about time, place, materials, space and light. Sustainable energy propositions are integrated within every phase of the design process. In his practice, his public and private design objectives form the basis of design concepts to ensure new work is of lasting cultural value.

Prof Kongjian Yu

Kongjian Yu is founder and Dean of the Graduate School of Landscape Architecture at Peking University, and the founder and President of Turenscape, an internationally award winning firm with more than 200 professionals and one of the first private landscape architecture firms in China. He has published more than 150 papers and 15 books, and has been honoured with three awards by the American Society of Landscape Architects.

Mr Michael Sorkin

Michael Sorkin is the principal of the Michael Sorkin Studio in New York City, a design practice devoted to both practical and theoretical projects at all scales with a special interest in the city. He is involved in the planning and design for a highly sustainable 5000 unit community in Penang, Malaysia. He is the Director of the Graduate Urban Design Program at the City College of New York. From 1993 to 2000 he was Professor of Urbanism and Director of the Institute of Urbanism at the Academy of Fine Arts in Vienna. Previously, he has been professor at numerous schools of architecture including Cooper Union, Columbia, Yale, Harvard, Cornell, Nebraska, Illinois, Pennsylvania, Texas, and Minnesota. He lectures widely and is the author of many articles in a wide range of both professional and general publications and is currently contributing editor at Architectural Record and Metropolis.





Program @ 2nd May 07 – subject to change

WEDNESDAY 5 SEPT 07

10.00am – 5.00pm	Registration
1.30pm – 3.00pm	Tour 1
3.30pm – 5.00pm	Tour 2

Day 1 – THURSDAY 6 SEPT 07

7.30am–8.30am	Registration
8.45am – 9.15am	Official Opening and Welcome
9.15am – 10.00am	Mr Michael Sorkin OBE
10.00am – 10.30am	Morning Tea + Zen
10.30am – 11.05am	Mr Michael Norton
10.05am – 11.40am	Mayor Jeremy Harris
11.40am – 12.00pm	Discussion
12.00pm – 1.30pm	Lunch + Walk
1.30pm – 2.05pm	Mr Richard Neville
2.05pm – 2.40pm	Ms Ruth Durack
2.40pm – 3.00pm	Discussion
3.00pm – 3.30pm	Afternoon Tea + Zen
3.30pm – 4.05pm	Mr Alex Tzannes
4.05pm – 4.40pm	Professor Jan Gehl
4.40pm – 4.55pm	Discussion
4.55pm – 5.10pm	Presentation of EDAW Intern Program 2007 – A new vision for Surfers Paradise
5.10pm – 6.00pm	Welcome Cocktail Function & Official Opening of Trade Area
6.00pm – 7.00pm	ABC Radio National will broadcast 'Australia Talks' with Paul Barclay live at the conference. Paul Barclay has spent many years with the ABC as a journalist and enjoys his role hosting talkback radio and discussing topics of national interest.

Day 2 – FRIDAY 7 SEPT 07

		<i>Stream 1</i>	<i>Stream 2</i>	<i>Stream 3</i>	<i>Conversation</i>	<i>Tours</i>
9.00am –9.20am	1.1 Urban Design Education	Gordon Holden	2.1 Urban Design Capacity Building via Local Government Philip Follent	3.1 Design in the Age of Climate Change Caroline Stalker	A Conversation with Mr Michael Norton	Tour 1 Tall Buildings
9.20am –9.40am	1.2 City Fabric	Liam Proberts	2.2 Governance from the Heart – Having the Ticker rather than Tick Boxes Robert Prestipino	3.2 Future Sustainability of Community Neighbourhoods Prof Brendan Gleeson		
9.40am –10.00am	Discussion		Discussion	Discussion		
10.00am – 10.30am Morning tea + Zen						
10.30am –10.50am	4.1 To Be Confirmed		5.1 A Capital City – Creative Wellington Innovation Capital Gerald Blunt	6.1 Greenhouse Solutions with Sustainable Energy Dr Mark Diesendorf	A Conversation with Mr Michael Sorkin	Tour 2 Urban Spaces
10.50am – 11.10pm	4.2 Local government's role in urban design	Dale Dickson	5.2 The art of Making Places – Why we Need to Engage Communities in Imagining Better Futures Carmen Stewart	6.2 To Be Confirmed		
11.10pm – 11.30pm	4.3 A State of Crisis: Sustainability/Secure Affordable Housing on the Gold Coast Dr Caryl Bosman		5.3 A Cultural Desert and a Place of No History Virginia Rigney	6.3 The Spatial Dimension of Sustainability – From the Region to the Place Peter Robinson		
11.30pm – 12.00pm	Discussion		Discussion	Discussion		
12.00pm – 1.30am Lunch + Walk						
1.30pm – 1.50pm	7.1 The 300km City . . Taking the Long View	A/Prof Peter Skinner	8.1 Regeneration as an Urban Development Strategy – the Experience of Turkey A/Prof Ali Ulu	9.1 Urban Form and Urban Efficiency A/Prof Michael Buxton	A Conversation with Prof Jan Gehl	Tour 3 Master Planned Communities
1.50pm – 2.10pm	7.2 Creating an accessible rapid transit system	David Mephram/Craig Wallace	8.2 The Green Heart: A Framework for a World Class Urban Parkland System James Tuma	9.2 Sustainability Challenges Faced by Cities Rosie Kennedy		
2.10pm – 2.30pm	7.3 The Ecovillage at Currumbin – A Case Study in Sustainable Development Chris Walton		8.3 Transport Energy Audits – Creating the Tools for Carbon Free Cities Graham Freer	9.3 Key Design Aspects to Connect People, Place & Health in an Inner-city Residential Development Julie-Anne Carroll		
2.30pm – 3.00pm	Discussion		Discussion	Discussion		
3.00am – 3.30am Afternoon tea + Zen						

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	Stream 10	Stream 11	Stream 12	Conversation	Tours
3.30PM – 3.50pm	10.1 Images of Walkable Routes to School from the Viewpoints of Children Vivian Romero	11.1 To Be Confirmed	12.1 Engineering Sustainable Solutions for Our Urban Cities Charlie Hargroves	A Conversation with Mayor Jeremy Harris	Tour 4 Currumbin Ecovillage
3.50pm – 4.10pm	10.2 Young People and Public Spaces Phil Crane	11.2 Australian Apartments at the 3rd Millenium Paul Walter	12.2 To Be Confirmed		
4.10pm – 4.30pm	10.3 Refining our Draft Senior's Accommodation Planning Code Anne D'Arcy	11.3 Twitching Curtains in Suburbia: Does Surveillance Limit Disorder? Sarah Foster	12.3 High Density Subtropical Urbanism Peter Richards		
4.30pm – 5.00pm	Discussion	Discussion	Discussion		

Day 3 – SATURDAY 8 SEPT 07

8.45am – 10.30am	Jenny Brockie will host a lively discussion forum with our keynote and session speakers, along with the participation from members of the audience. This animated session will focus on a number of key issues and topics arising from the conference.
10.30am – 11.00am	Morning Tea + Zen
11.00am – 11.35am	Dr Kongjian Yu
11.35am – 12.00pm	Discussion
12.00pm – 1.30pm	Lunch + Walk
1.30pm – 2.05pm	Professor Ian Bentley
2.05pm – 2.40pm	Professor Elaine Gallagher
2.40pm – 3.00pm	Discussion
3.00pm – 3.30pm	Afternoon Tea + Zen
3.30pm – 4.05pm	Keynote Speaker sponsored by Stockland
4.05pm – 4.45pm	Closing address
7.00pm – 11.00pm	Gold Coast Urban Design Awards 2007 Gala Dinner