

## Fall 2009 PUARL Symposium

# Current Challenges for Patterns, Pattern Languages, & Sustainability

The theories of Patterns and Pattern Languages, originally developed by Christopher Alexander and others at the Center for Environmental Structure (CES) in Berkeley, California, can be generally summed as atoms of the environment that can be combined language-like in various combinations and structures for the creation of whole neighborhoods, buildings, streets, benches, walls, etc. Patterns and Pattern Languages have served as useful tools to design, plan, and build communities according to the principles of sustainability and living architecture. Patterns and Pattern Languages have been instrumental in bridging gaps between the professional world of architecture, the technical and artistic fields, and the community-at-large.

At this PUARL Symposium, we will focus on the general themes of Morphology, Typology, and Sustainability, and in particular, we will explore the theme 'Patterns, Pattern Languages, and Sustainability.' It is the development over time, current uses, and future possibilities of patterns and pattern languages that will be highlighted here.

### Participating Speakers:

Frances Bronet, Hajo Neis, Howard Davis, Christine Theodoropoulos, Sara Ishikawa, Murray Silverstein, Max Jacobson, Ingrid King, Schlomo Angel, Chris Ramey, Ross Chapin, Thomas Collins, Matthew Hogan, Demetrius Gonzalez, Hubert Froyen, Robert Walsh, Rob Thallon, Stuart Cowen, Michael Tavel, Gabriel Brown, Pete Dykema, Jenny Young, David Week, Kyriakos Pontikis, Michael Mehaffy, Ward Cunningham, Douglas Schuler and others.

### Schedule of Events:

#### *Friday, October 30*

- 5p Welcome by Dean Frances Bronet
- 615 Introductions by Hajo Neis & Howard Davis
- 7 PUARL Lecture Presentation by Murray Silverstein & Max Jacobson
- 740 Panel Discussion with Original Authors

#### *Saturday, October 31*

- 9a Keynote by Chris Ramey
- 1015 Sessions on Pattern Application and Theory
- 12p Lunch Presentation
- 115 Keynote by Stuart Cowan
- 215 Sessions on Pattern Development & Sustainability
- 415 Keynote by David Week
- 515 Sessions on Criticism & Challenges of Pattern Theory
- 630 Panel Discussion on Criticism & Challenges

#### *Sunday, November 1*

- 9a Keynote by Michael Mehaffy & Howard Davis
- 1015 Sessions on Horizons & Potentials of Pattern Theory
- 1215p Panel Discussion on Future Possibilities
- 115 Closing Remarks

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