

DESIGN FOR A SMALL (AGING) PLANET

A Public Symposium on New Thinking about the Design of Environments for A Lifetime – From Closet to Community Thursday April 30 (5:00 - 7:30 pm) - Friday, May 1 (8:30 am - 3:30 pm), 2015 Indiana Memorial Union at Indiana University in Bloomington

> Forget "Silver Tsunami." An aging population is not a catastrophe but an opportunity.

But we do need to get it right for the 2 billion people who will be over age 60 by the year 2050. True, as individuals we have the challenge of staying healthy, vibrant, and positive as we age. There are gazillions of personal guidebooks and way too many medications and salves to help us age well. But we age in community and designing communities for aging well is not quite on the radar of community planners. How can we design environments for our small, aging planet?

Speakers at the symposium represent cutting-edge thought leaders in the field of design – from closet to community. They include:

Addie Abushousheh, Ph.D., Assoc. AIA, Exec. Dir., Association of Households International, is an environmental and organizational gerontologist facilitating culture change and design in long-term care.

Scott Ball, M. Arch, author of Livable Communities for Aging Populations; Principal, Commons Planning, Atlanta, GA will offer the keynote presentation: "The Evolution of Senior Housing."

Zachary Benedict, AIA, Partner, MKM + Design, Fort Wayne, IN and proponent of "elder-centric" community design; 2015 Young Architect's Award, American Institute of Architects.

Lauren Cowan, Co-Owner, Agewise Design, Bloomington, IN, an age-in-place interior design and remodeling firm.

Marc Cornett, AIA, Bloomington architect and designer of accessory dwelling units and other new housing options.

Emi Kiyota, Ph.D., Founder of Ibasho, a non-profit organization that strives to create communities that value their elders.

Philip B. Stafford, Ph.D., author of *Elderburbia*: Aging with a Sense of Place, will set the stage for the symposium with his talk, "Ten Principles (m/l) of Design for a Small Aging Planet."

Symposium Fee: \$60- Includes Reception, Breakfast, and Luncheon.

CEUs will be available through the Indiana Institute on Disability and Community's Office of Interdisciplinary Training.

Register for the Symposium online at: http://go.iu.edu/kPi

Overnight Accommodations: A small block of rooms has been reserved, on a first-come, first-served basis at the Indiana Memorial Union Biddle Hotel.

To reserve a room, phone the hotel at (800) 209-8145 or make your reservation online at

http://www.imu.indiana.edu/hotel and indicate the name of the symposium.

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