

2018 APPI CONFERENCE SEP 30-OCT 2 KANANASKIS

CALL FOR PRESENTERS

2018 CONFERENCE THEME - Revitalize!

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To imbue with new life and vitality

At the 2018 APPI Conference this October, we will gather with engaged members of the planning profession to learn, discuss, and explore the evolution of revitalization. Join us to explore how the energies of change are harnessed in rural and urban settings, and at a variety of scales, from local to provincial.

Recent conferences provided opportunities to discuss how we have gone about "Meeting Change" (2016) and "Building Resiliency" (2017). Now it's time to talk about the revitalization of the communities and places where we live, work, and play. The APPI Conference Organizing Committee invites you to submit your proposal for innovative, creative, and inspiring presentations that reflect on the theme of Revitalize!

We're looking for presenters to share their strategies for, and experiences of, innovative and emerging revitalization efforts. We anticipate a wide range of topics and presenters from public and private practice, along with valuable education sessions. A number of tours and social events will provide opportunities to explore the beauty and history of the Kananaskis area, and to foster connections with colleagues.

We look forward to you joining us!

Kendra Raymond and Shelagh Graham Conference Program Co-Chairs How are communities coming back from challenges they've faced? What does revitalization look like in your community? While our specific challenges may shift, at their core, the themes are persistent: political directions, economic challenges, climate change, technological advancement, cultural diversification... What fresh approaches are professionals bringing to revitalize our communities and our ways of thinking?

WE ENCOURAGE PRESENTERS TO:

- share their strategies for, and experiences of, innovative and emerging revitalization efforts
- tell us how they've brought a fresh perspective to challenges and relationships
- reveal how they have reinvigorated their careers (at any stage)
- describe constructive relationships between planners and decision makers or elected officials
- discuss lessons learned across the province
- · highlight new innovations
- celebrate creativity
- inspire new ideas for emerging, junior and experienced practitioners

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POTENTIAL CONFERENCE TOPICS INCLUDE, BUT ARE NOT LIMITED TO:

- Fresh approaches to revitalization, regeneration, and retrofitting our built environment
- Restoring, enhancing, and revitalizing environments, air and water quality initiatives
- · Renewing investments
- · Refreshing relationships
- · Bringing community vision to life
- Cultural recognition and cultural diversity
- Small ideas with big impacts
- Renewed energy
- · Leadership and vision
- Smart communities
- Rural community strategies
- Indigenous planning
- Urban agriculture
- Innovative local arts and culture
- · How technology is used to Revitalize!
- The dark side of revitalization

PRESENTATION FORMAT

The conference program will include a mix of plenary and concurrent sessions which are designed to appeal to a range of learning styles. Workshop, design studio, charrette, mobile tours, and other interactive formats are welcome.

Concurrent Sessions: 1-2 hours in length, including 15-20 minutes for questions and discussion. This category may include panel discussions, inspiring presentations, or workshops conducted within the conference venue.

Pecha Kucha presentations: Quick presentations of 20 images shown for 20 seconds each for a total of 6 minutes and 40 seconds.

Extended Workshops/Training: 2 or more hours in length on a particular topic.

Mobile Tours/Workshops: 2 or more hours at venues or attractions in the local vicinity.

Time slots for individual or group presentations may be negotiated for scheduling reasons. Presentation time is inclusive of questions and answers. The Conference Committee will provide supplies to support presentations and/or workshops (audio visual equipment, sticky notes, etc.) but not printed copies or worksheets – all requirements should be clearly identified in the submission.

The Conference Committee may ask presenters to revise the format for technical and/or feasibility reasons. We advise that any necessary web content for presentations should be downloaded in advance and incorporated in the presentation.



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SELECTION CRITERIA

The Conference Committee is keen to see collaborative presentations, particularly those with presenters from different communities or groups and public-private sector partnerships. Groups or individuals are welcome to submit proposals as well.

WHAT TO INCLUDE WHEN MAKING A PROPOSAL:

- 1. Name of presenter(s), job title, and contact information (telephone number and email address)
- 2. Title of presentation (the catchier, the better)
- 3. Abstract outlining the content of the presentation and how it relates to the theme of Revitalize! (250 words max)
- 4. Proposed presentation format
- 5. Bio of each presenter (100 words max, for each presenter)
- 6. Specialized equipment requirements

HOW WILL PROPOSALS BE SELECTED?

Selection of presentations will be based on the following:

- Relevance to Conference Theme Revitalize!
- Consistency with the submission criteria listed in the call for proposals
- Overall quality, creativity, and applicability of the session to a wide range of planning professionals
- Presenter's expertise, knowledge, and ability to engage and challenge delegates

Successful presenters are encouraged to register for the conference and are responsible for all accommodation and travel expenses.

PLEASE SUBMIT PROPOSALS

VIA EMAIL TO

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AND SHELAGH.GRAHAM@STANTEC.COM

BY 12:00 PM FEBRUARY 18, 2018

TO BE CONSIDERED FOR THIS

YEAR'S CONFERENCE.

All submissions will be acknowledged and sent a confirmation email within a week of receipt. Prospective presenters will be informed of the status of their presentation by March 18, 2018.

All successful presenters will be sent a Speaker Contract, AV Requirement Form, and a Speaker Registration Form upon confirmation of their presentation being selected.

A discounted conference registration rate, equivalent to 80% of the member early bird rate, will be offered to the presenters: \$598.00 plus GST. Any separate priced activities will be at the regular rate. APPI reserves the right to limit the number of presenters on any one panel and/or who may be eligible for the discounted registration rate.

