CanU6: Cities at the Edge
Urbanizing Suburbia in the Regional City
Greater Toronto Area - 2014

Join Canada’s leading urbanists for the CanU6 National Summit to take place in the Greater Toronto Area September 18th – 20th, 2014.

The Council for Canadian Urbanism (CanU) will hold its 6th annual National Summit, CanU6, in the Greater Toronto Area and will focus on the key issue of “Urbanizing Suburbia”. Entitled “Cities at the Edge – Urbanizing Suburbia in the Regional City”, this event will happen between Thursday, Sep 18th and Saturday Sep 20th.

Like the previous Summits held since 2009, this professional event will gather Canada’s top urbanists – planners, architects, landscape architects, engineers, developers, activists, journalists, most of them from government, academic or consulting practices.

Canada is a suburban nation with over 80% of its cities in car-oriented, suburban form. In spite of a concerted effort by many in our profession — to concentrate new development in existing urbanized areas — most growth is still happening around the edges in suburban and greenfield locations. At the same time, however, there are great examples of suburbs that are being urbanized — evolving from “edge cities” to cities at the edge of urbanization. Extensive growth is happening in metropolitan areas which, through the urbanization process, are rapidly becoming “regional cities”.

The 6th annual CanU National Summit will deal with both these key issues and many more. What are the specific Canadian aspects of “urbanizing suburbia”? What are the trends, the most relevant issues and projects defining this immense and important challenge? What can we as Canadian Urbanists do to promote, facilitate and speed up change?

For more information about the event please see: http://www.canadianurbanism.ca/canu6/
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PRELIMINARY PROGRAM

SEPT 18

DAY ONE – THURSDAY, SEPT 18TH - NORTH YORK, MARKHAM

8:00  Registration, Breakfast
9:00  Opening Remarks, introduction with CanU Board and CanU6 Organizing Committee
  History of Suburbia – with John VanNostrand, prof. David Gordon
  Toronto’s Inner Suburbs – City of Toronto
  CanU Trip 1: North York to Don Mills
  Tour of Don Mills Centre with Ralph Giannone, Prof. David Gordon
12:00 Lunch
  CanU Trip 2: North York Parkway Forrest, Sheppard East TOD
  Bus tour with Leo de Sorcy, City of Toronto
  CanU Trip 3: Bayview to Highway 7
  Bus tour along VIVA transitway with York Transit and Ronji Borroah
  Markham - Sustainable Mobility Session
  -Welcome from Jim Baird, Commissioner of Planning, City of Markham
  -Session moderated by Paul Bedford with Metrolinx, Mary-Frances Turner, City of Markham
  Markham Centre presentation with Remington and Ronji Borroah, City of Markham
17:00 North York Centre walking tour with Leo DeSorcy
18:00 Tactical Urbanism, Pecha Kucha Session and Reception - Evergreen Brickworks

SEPT 19

DAY TWO, FRIDAY, SEPT 19TH - MISSISSAUGA AND BRAMPTON

8:00  Registration, Breakfast, Shuttle from North York Centre
9:00  Welcoming Remarks - Mayor Hazel McCallion, City of Mississauga
  Mississauga Experience – with Ed Sajecki, Commissioner of Planning, Mississauga
  Creating a Downtown – Panel and Walking Tour with City of Mississauga
12:00 Lunch
  Municipal Leadership - Chief Planners Panel
  -Session moderated by Brent Toderian (Vancouver)
  CanU Trip 5: Mississauga to Brampton
  Employment Areas, Edge Development
  Sustainable Urban Extensions – Mount Pleasant Village TOD Walking Tour with Alex Taranu,
  Mattamy Homes
  Downtown Brampton Walking Tour
  Sustainable and Healthy Urbanization – Peel Region and Brampton
  -Panel with Dr. Mowat, Peel Chief Medical Officer, Marilyn Ball, Chief, Planning and
  Infrastructure, Brampton, others TBA
17:00 Bus Tour of Hurontario TOD Corridor, Return to Mississauga or to North York Base
  CanU Annual General Meeting

PRELIMINARY PROGRAM
DAY THREE, SATURDAY, SEPT 20TH, NORTH YORK

8:30  Registration, Breakfast
9:00  Opening Remarks

   **Keynote Speaker:** Province of Ontario (TBA)

  **Places to Grow Session** with Larry Clay (Ontario Growth Secretariat), Neptis Foundation, Joe Berridge/Urban Strategies

  **Urbanizing Suburbia from Coast to Coast session** with CanU
  - Panel with Building Industry and Land Development Association (BILD)
  “Building Urban Development in Suburbia”, Steve Upton, Moderator

12:00  Lunch

   **Keynote Speaker:** Gordon Harris, Univercity, Burnaby, BC
   “Garden City Redux – Urbanizing Suburbia for the Sustainable Century”

   **Applied Research Session**
   - National and International Perspectives with Prof. David Gordon (Queens), York University
   - City Centre, Canadian Urban Institute, others TBA

   **Working Session: Urban Design in the Regional City** with Ken Greenberg, Robert Freedman, Alex Taranu

   **Open Forum**

17:00  Closing Remarks

Informal gathering TBD

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REGISTER NOW AT: [WWW.CANU.CA/REGISTER](http://WWW.CANU.CA/REGISTER)

Space is limited for Days 1 and 2. For more information please visit our website: [www.canu.ca](http://www.canu.ca)

Early Bird expires August 25th, 2014*

**Notes:**
- Registration includes CanU membership for a year
- Membership and administration fees are not refundable
- We have reserved a block of rooms at the Novotel Hotel in North York Centre – This offer expires August. 25th, 2014

**Hotel reservation procedure:**
- Call hotel reservation directly at 416-733-2929 extension 1 or 2 and mention group name “CanU6 National Summit” or Block ID#87608, to avail the special group rate
- By email: novotel.northyork@accor.com
- Reserve before August 25, 2014