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The 2022 Dean's Dinner, at the City Building Design Lab.

## Welcome to a new academic year, one like no other

It has been years since we've had the kind of energy and vibrancy in our classrooms, studios and halls that we're experiencing this fall. The pandemic changed our world and affected us all differently. But we are back and ready to live a shared experience. Eager and hungry for what our collective efforts, visions and drive can accomplish, the School has hit the ground running. SAPL has announced its first ever undergraduate degree – in the form of the Bachelor of Design in City Innovation. This month, the School is also bringing back its prestigious lecture series, Design Matters, as an in-person event after more than two years as a virtual offering. All this, along with all the aspects that come with a full academic calendar and rich research endeavours, hold the promise of a challenging and rewarding 2022-23 academic year. For those of you who are just joining us, welcome to SAPL. For those who are returning, welcome back.

## EVENTS

### Learn the how, the what and the why of SAPL's first bachelor program

From driving city building innovation to engaging with studio-based learning and real-world projects, SAPL's newly announced Bachelor of Design in City Innovation will tackle society's most pressing issues through design thinking and a multidisciplinary approach. On Tuesday, Sept. 13, SAPL will host an online event to provide an overview of the program and discuss its features, curriculum, admission and enrolment requirements, and answer questions.

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### International and Canadian experts to explore solar neighbourhoods at Calgary seminar

The School of Architecture, Planning and Landscape invites industry professionals, policy makers, partners, faculty members, students, and the broader University of Calgary community, to the On Solar Neighborhoods seminar on Sept. 23 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the City Building Design Lab. Attendees will delve into case studies and learn from national and international experts about the strategies and techniques implemented in the design and planning of solar energy-based neighbourhoods in Canada and around the world. [REGISTER](#) before Sept. 16.

### Students invited to participate in Habitat for Humanity's "Women Build 2022"

Habitat for Humanity and SAPL invite four female students to participate in the "Women Build 2022" all-day event on Wednesday, Sept. 21. The event seeks to raise awareness of the fact that women and children are the most affected by unstable living conditions. It is also an opportunity to celebrate the essential role women play in construction. Students in all SAPL programs who would like to

participate are asked to send a 300- to 400-word statement of interest to [Nooshin Esmaeili](#) and [Catherine Hamel](#) by Monday, Sept. 12.

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## Design Matters Lecture Series is back!

After two-years in an online environment, the thought-provoking Design Matters lecture series returns to inspire transformative change in all its in-person glory. On Sept. 21, Jenny Jones, from Los Angeles-based landscape architectural design firm TERREMOTO, will present *Design and Stewardship for the Next Civilization* at the City Building Design Lab.

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## Thriving Forests and Regenerative Built Environments Symposium – four free tickets for SAPL students

The Mass Timber Institute and Sustainable Forestry Initiative and Project Learning Tree Canada are sponsoring four students from SAPL to attend the Thriving Forests & Regenerative Built Environments Symposium online, on Sept. 14 and 15, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. MT. The event will address the future of forests in Canada and the role of design, climate science, and cultural leadership in supporting them. Students interested in attending can learn more about the event [HERE](#).

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## NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

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## Somber occasion leads to communications blackout

Due to the death of Her Majesty, Queen Elizabeth II, Queen of Canada, the Alberta Government has instituted a 10-day period of mourning, as is customary. This comes with directions for all government institutions - universities included - to observe a communications blackout, possibly for the duration of this period. For the School, this means that no external, institutional communication can be issued for the time being, including press releases, large scale public events, marketing emails and social media posts. This does not apply to students', faculty's and staff's personal communications, social media accounts or internal institutional communication. For any questions or concerns around this directive, please reach out to [Pablo Fernandez](#).

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## SAPL professor named Fellow of The Royal Society of Canada

The School extends its warmest congratulations to Professor Sasha Tsenkova, PhD, who has been named a Fellow of the Royal Society of Canada for her outstanding contributions as the leading Canadian authority on housing and planning policies in Eastern Europe, for her expertise in comparative urban and housing research, and for her influential work on resilient housing and planning strategies to design sustainable, livable and equitable cities. [Read more](#)



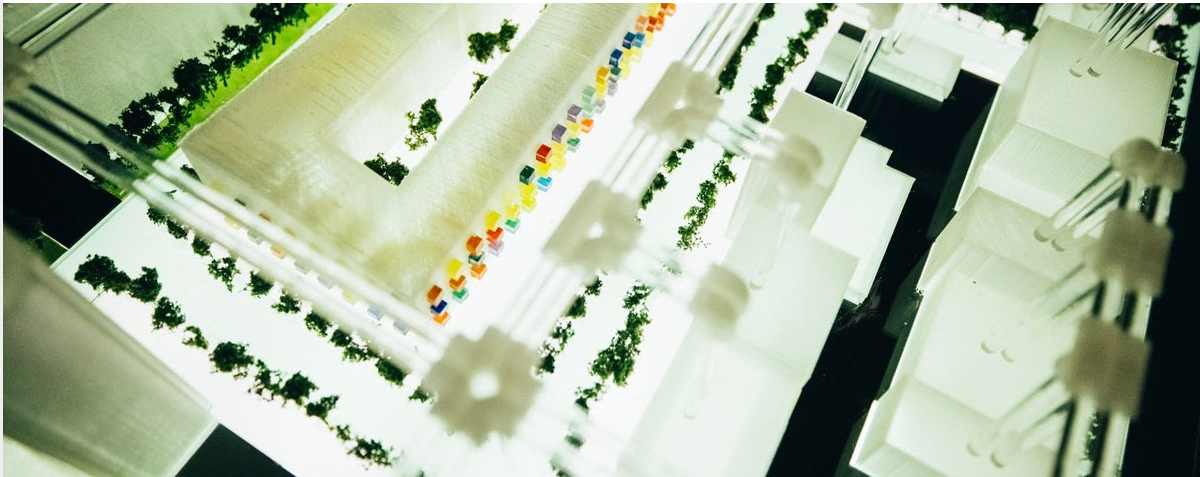
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## GALLERIES

## Master of Architecture students bridge building solutions with human rights considerations at exhibition



Under the guidance of Dr. Brian R. Sinclair, senior students in the Master of Architecture program will present *The Devil's Crop: Exploring Social Justice, Human Rights, Design + Dignity*, as part of the Fall 2022 Open House in the Stantec Gallery. The exhibition highlights the creative efforts of students seeking to design in a responsible, innovative, and sustainable manner for societies in need, people with dreams, and a world in turmoil. The gallery will be open daily from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.



### **Civic Commons Catalyst - Vibrant research showcased at *City of a Thousand Planets* exhibition**

Using digital renderings, 3D models and interactive offerings, the new exhibition at SAPL's City Building Design Lab shares the innovative design research work from Phase I and Phase II of the Civic Commons Catalyst Initiative. Focused on reimagining and reactivating downtown Calgary, the showcase represents a future in which the core is sustainable, equitable, inclusive, vibrant, and prosperous. The exhibit is open Monday to Sunday from 12 to 8 p.m.

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