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## CDC NEWS



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**December 2014**

## A Time of Giving

CDCR embarks on its Annual Give

It's that time of the year again! Your contributions provide critical support for our work providing access to planning and design assistance possible for citizens in communities and neighborhoods throughout the Rochester Region.

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This year, giving is easier than ever! You can make a one time donation or you can join our new Coffee Club and contribute once each month: \$5, \$10 or \$15 for a year. You even get a free gift to enjoy!

Checks can also be mailed to:  
CDCR 1115 East Main Street Rochester, NY 14609.

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## Annual Awards: A Wonderful Success!

Thank you to all who came and congratulations to the winners!

Thank you all for making the 4th Annual Reshaping Rochester Awards a success! It was our great pleasure to host over 200 guests, nominees and award winners on Tuesday, December 2nd at the Temple B'rith Kodesh.

Congratulations to all of our nominees and winners!

**The Betty Strassenburgh Award for Activism** was given to Pete Monacelli, with Project Scion receiving an Honorable Mention.

**The Robert Macon Award for Urban Innovation** went to Edgemere Development Inc., with the Honorable Mention going to Birkett Landing.

**The Directors' Award** was granted to Gary Stern for creation of The Village Gate, while the Honorable Mention was given to the Genesee Land Trust for their work on the El Camino Trail.

*Save the Date! The 5th Annual Reshaping Rochester Awards Luncheon will be held on December 9, 2015 at the Temple B'rith Kodesh.*





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## Student Gallery Exhibit Opening This Friday!



# Sustainable Interventions

The CDCR invited students from Alfred State's SUNY College of Technology Urban Design Studio, and RIT's Golisano Institute for Sustainability Master of Architecture program to come together to present a December student show, "Sustainable Interventions", in the CDCR Gallery.

RIT Architecture students each worked on a Thesis for their final semester to integrate their understanding of sustainability in the context of architectural design exploration. These projects focused on a variety of topics including design for disaster mitigation, urban design, biomimicry, and design intervention. Alfred State Urban Design students worked to produce a Community Visualization Study, focusing on the Village of Savona in Steuben County. The study investigated potential development in five key areas to see how they could be better connected. In addition, they defined an overall conceptual focus for new development and presented the ideas as a series of phased interventions. 4 Projects, an exhibit presented in October, will continue to show through December to show selected projects from the Community Design Center's Development/Design Fund. 4 Projects is a series of familiar community spaces requiring us to consider potential transformations. This series features proposals to adaptively reuse early 20th century buildings and facades, as well as vacant lots.

The projects focus on communities' urban design, through disaster mitigation, intervention, feedback from professionals and locals, biomimicry, and revisualization. The CDCR Gallery will be open for students to present their work will present their work on December 5th, a First Friday Gallery night from 6-9pm.

# Development/Design Fund - Thank You!



As the CDCR begins reviewing applications for the Development/Design Fund program's fourth grants cycle, we wanted to take a moment to thank the design consultants, whose involvement makes this program possible. Our list of pre-qualified design consultants is currently comprised of 18 local firms. The firms selected by grantees for the four completed projects to date have exceeded expectations and we thank them for their efforts in helping to enhance and revitalize challenged city neighborhoods through the Development/Design Program.

We would like to send a special thank you to:

- Architectura, PC
- Barkstrom & LaCroix Architects
- Bayer Landscape Architecture, PLLC
- Bero Architecture, PLLC
- Chait Studios
- Edge Architecture, PLLC
- Gardner PLUS Architects, PLLC
- Grater Architects, PC
- GRH
- HBT Architects
- Hunt EAS, PC

- Lew Childs
- McCord Snyder Landscape Architecture, PLLC
- Pardi Partnership Architects
- Passero Associates
- Stantec Consulting Services, Inc
- SWBR Architects
- TYLin International

If you are interested in getting involved with the Development/Design Fund, please contact the Program Coordinator, Sebastian Baliva (585.271.0520 or [design@rrcdc.org](mailto:design@rrcdc.org)) to learn more.



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For more information about the Design Fund [click here](#).



**Watch for upcoming details about the 2015 Reshaping Rochester Schedule in January!**

# Tati's Updates

## Introducing Tatiana Baglioni!

I'm excited to address you all! I've only spent a month so far as the woman behind the phones, and it's been a whirlwind. In the past month, we've completed the Penn Yan Vision Plan, initiated our Annual Give campaign, put on a great Awards Luncheon, continued to finalize the upcoming Reshaping Rochester Lecture Series, and worked towards countless nascent projects.

It's a wonder we're still standing.

Are you wondering how we do it all? The Community Design Center is lucky to be the home of staff, leadership, volunteers, and advisers who are passionate about the Rochester region - its design, prosperity and equity. In my time at CDCR, I've learned that when you get passionate people in a room together, they can make almost anything happen.

If you are one of those passionate people, we want to hear from you! The success of our projects and events depends on our energetic volunteers and supporters. If you're interested in getting involved in any way, please shoot me an email at [admin@rrcdc.org](mailto:admin@rrcdc.org).

Tatiana

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