

Biophilic Urbanism: Cities + Nature Together



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Biophilia, a concept popularized by E.O. Wilson, says that we have an innate need for contact with nature and the natural world. We need nature in our lives to be happy, productive, and healthy; it is not optional, but a requisite condition of urban life. In this talk, Tim Beatley will review the emerging practice of biophilic urban design and planning. He will highlight the many compelling stories of individuals and groups working hard to transform cities from gray and lifeless to green and biodiverse.

Tim Beatley's work focuses on the subject of sustainable communities and the creative strategies by which cities can fundamentally reduce their ecological footprints while at the same time becoming more livable and equitable places.

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(lunch will be provided)

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