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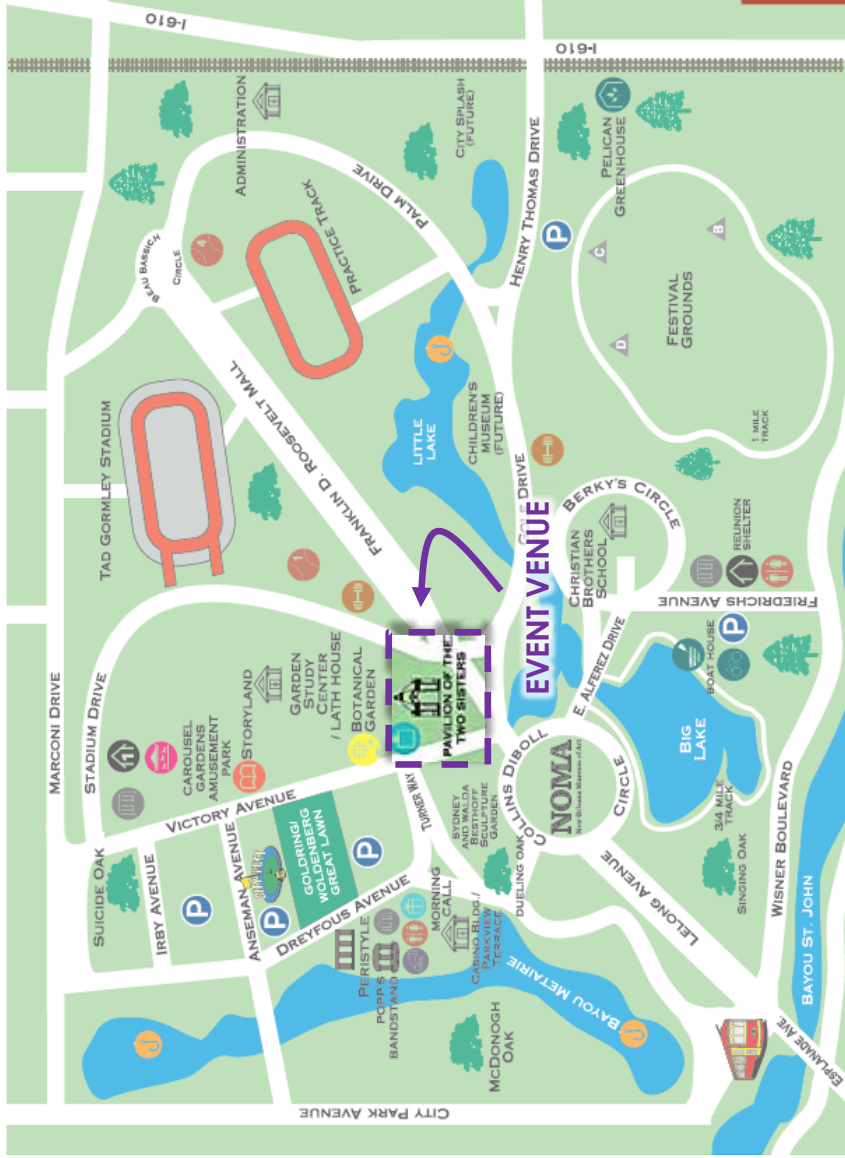
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CONFERENCE SCHEDULE

TUESDAY, MARCH 7

7:30 am - 8:30 am Registration, Networking and Breakfast

8:30 am - 9:00 am Welcome & Annual Chapter Business Meeting

Ms. Lydia Z. Jemison, AICP, CFM, President, Jemison & Partners, Inc.
2014-2016 APA LA Chapter President

Mr. Derek Chisholm, Gulf Coast Operations Manager, New Orleans,
AECOM 2017-2019 APA LA Chapter President

9:00 am - 10:30 am SESSION No.1: Healthier Communities through Urban Agriculture
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Fostering healthy communities includes providing access to fresh, affordable food. This session will begin with a focus on urban farming's contribution to food security and wellness. Panelists will summarize national trends, spotlight New Orleans as a leader in urban agriculture, and discuss relevant local, environmental, and financial food issues. The session will conclude with a discussion regarding community and grassroots organizations attempt to rise to these challenges.

Ms. Marianne Cufone, Executive Director of Recirculating
Farms Coalition

Ms. Brooke Boudreaux with Circle Food Store

Mr. Mike Canter with Grow Dat Youth Farm

Ms. Ava Himes & Dr. Anoa Nantambu with Common Ground Health
Clinic and Women's Wellness Group

10:30 am - 10:45 am BREAK

10:45 am - 12:15 pm SESSION No.2: Transformative Projects that Plan Community Health
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In light of National APA's initiative "Plan4Health;" Safe Haven in Mandeville, the Bridge Center in Baton Rouge, and South Broad Community Health in New Orleans will be discussed. These projects highlight the planning profession's ability to overcome invisible barriers to progress, implement systematic change, and produce positive social outcomes through creative problem solving, cross-disciplinary decision making, and coalition building.

MODERATOR: Matthew Rufo, AICP, Senior Planner, Asakura Robinson

Ms. Kelly Rabalais, Executive Counsel for St. Tammany
Parish Government

Ms. Beverly Haydel, Director of Civic Leadership Initiatives, Baton
Rouge Area Foundation

Mr. Seth C. Knudsen, Director of Real Estate Development & Planning
at the New Orleans Redevelopment Authority (NORA)

12:15 pm - 12:30 pm BREAK

12:30 pm - 2:00 pm Keynote Luncheon

Welcome: **Dr. Fritz Wagner, FAICP**

Professor and Dean Emeritus of Urban and Regional Planning

Dr. Andrew Dannenberg, MD, MPH

Dr. Dannenberg is an Affiliate Professor in the Department of Environmental and Occupational Health Sciences and in the Department of Urban Design and Planning at the University of Washington in Seattle, Washington, where he teaches courses on healthy community design and on health impact assessment. For the past decade, his research and teaching has focused on examining the health aspects of community design including land use, transportation, urban planning, and other issues related to the built environment. He has a particular interest in the use of a health impact assessment as a tool to inform community planners about the health consequences of their decisions. Previously he served as Director of CDC's Division of Applied Public Health Training, as Preventive Medicine Residency director and as an injury prevention epidemiologist on the faculty at the Johns Hopkins University School of Public Health in Baltimore.

2:00 pm - 3:30 pm**CM | 1.5****SESSION No. 3: Anatomy of the 2016 1000-Year Storm**

A fact driven, analytical, round-table discussion of the 2016, 1000-year storm in the Baton Rouge area and its impact on the State's long term considerations in resiliency planning.

MODERATOR: Ms. Lynn Dupont, ASLA, GISP, Principal Planner/GIS Coordinator with the Regional Planning Commission

Ms. Traci Birch, PhD, AICP, Assistant Professor -Research, Coastal Sustainability Studio, Louisiana State University

Mr. Warren Kron, GIS Manager, City of Baton Rouge and East Baton Rouge Parish, Department of Informational Services

Mr. Brent Yantis, NASA RAC Lafayette

Ms. Tonia Pence, FEMA Community Planning and Recovery

Mr. Chris Swilinski, Dewberry – LA MapMod Project Manager

Mr. Lael Holton, AICP, Planning Manager, AECOM

3:30 pm - 3:45 pm**BREAK****3:45 pm - 5:15 pm****CM | 1.5****Ethics Cases of the Year: Health, Hazards and Hydrology**

Session will begin with a review of AICP ethical principles and rules of conduct followed by a series of ethical scenarios based on real life 2016 events. Cases touch on topics including gifts, inaccurate information, conflicts of interest, and misuse of the AICP credential. The session will then move towards a facilitated discussion of ethical issues of planning in floodplains.

Mr. Sean Daly, AICP, Louisiana APA Professional Development Officer

5:30 pm - 7:00 pm**Opening Reception:**

The Arbor Room at Popp Fountain
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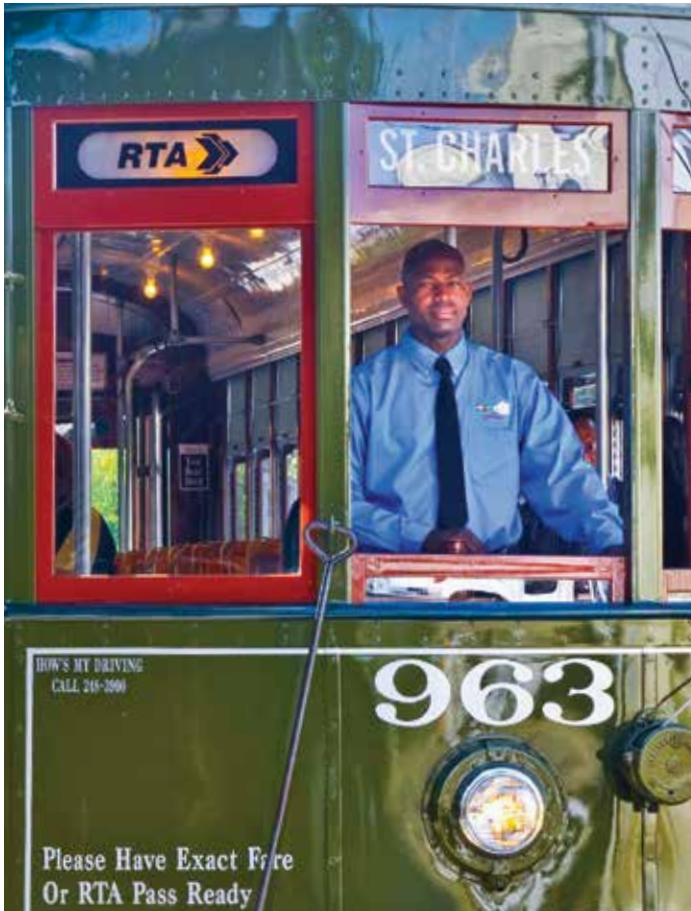
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8:00 am - 9:30 am**CM | 1.5 | Law****Law Roundtable: Zoning Cases of the Year**

A round-table discussion of recent zoning cases, as well as significant zoning code amendments throughout the State. Attendees will hear from planners who are rewriting codes to reduce liability, adjust to local demand, and promote best planning practices.

MODERATOR: *Ms. Bess Renfrow, J.D.* Assistant Parish Attorney, Jefferson Parish

Dr. Robert D. Rivers, Executive Director, New Orleans City Planning Commission

Mr. Mark W. Sweeney, AICP, Metropolitan Planning Commission Executive Director, City of Shreveport / Caddo Parish

Mr. Frank Duke, FAICP, Baton Rouge Planning Director

Ms. Lydia Z. Jemison, AICP, CFM, President, Jemison & Partners, Inc.

9:30 am - 9:45 am**BREAK****9:45 am - 11:15 am****CM | 1.5****SESSION No. 4 Thinking Regionally: Roots to More Successful Resiliency Planning**

As planners and civic leaders in coastal Louisiana face the daunting challenges of sea level rise, coastal deterioration, and development pressure along the coast; a regional approach to settlement patterns and economic development is necessary to support healthy communities. To this end, the session will provide an introduction to the State planning program entitled, Louisiana's Strategic Adaptions for Future Environments, or LA SAFE, followed by a focus on the regional networks necessary to support sustainable economic development throughout coastal communities in Louisiana.

MODERATOR: *Evelyn Campo, CFM*, Zoning Regulatory Administrator Floodplain Manager/Coastal Zone Administrator, St. John the Baptist Parish

Mr. Mathew Sanders, AICP, Resilience Policy & Program Administrator OCD-DRU

Mr. Walter Brooks, Executive Director, Regional Planning Commission

11:15 am - 12:15 pm**CM | 1.0****SESSION No. 5: Pecha Kucha (Series of 7-minute presentations)**

MODERATOR: *Derek Chilsolm*, Gulf Coast Operations Manager, New Orleans, AECOM, 2017-2019 APA LA Chapter President

- Public Health - Best Practices/ Local Issues: *Ms. Sarah Babcock*, City of New Orleans Health Department
- Containerized Urban Agriculture Project: *Mr. Ian Butler-Severson*, UNOTI
- Transit Planning for Healthier Communities: *Mr. Taylor Marcantel, AICP, RTA*

- LA Sea Grant Tools: [Ms. Melissa T Daigle](#), Louisiana Sea Grant
- Plan4Health: [Mr. Fred Neal, Jr. AICP](#), Villavaso and Associates, LLC
- Cavile Place Healthy Design: [Mr. Shad Comeaux, AICP](#), Freese and Nichols
- Public Health & Music: [Ms. Chandra Lorrel Teddleton](#), New Orleans Jazz National Historical Park

12:15 pm - 1:15 pm Annual Awards Luncheon

1:45 pm - 3:45 pm AICP Certification Exam Prep With Café Au Lait and Beignets

1:45 pm - 4:45 pm MOBILE WORKSHOP No.1: Streetcar Tour of New Medical Facilities

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Opening in 2015 as a replacement for Charity and University Hospitals, the new University Medical Center is the destination of this Streetcar Tour, which will take place down the Tulane Avenue and Canal Street corridors. The excursion will provide highlights of both corridors, the medical complex, and recent redevelopment and resiliency initiatives that have come to fruition as a result of the partnerships between planning and public health.

[Mr. Tim Jackson, AICP](#), Planning Administrator, New Orleans City Planning Commission

[Ms. Kelsy Yeargain](#), Tulane/Canal Neighborhood Development Corporation

1:45 pm - 4:45 pm MOBILE WORKSHOP No.2: City Park Innovation Bike Tour

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City Park has transformed as part of its recovery effort since hurricanes Katrina and Rita. This bicycle tour of the park will discuss implementation of the Park Master Plan, highlighting new community facilities, amenities and water management features.

[Ms. Dana Brown, ASLA, AICP, LEED AP](#), President of Dana Brown & Associates, Inc.

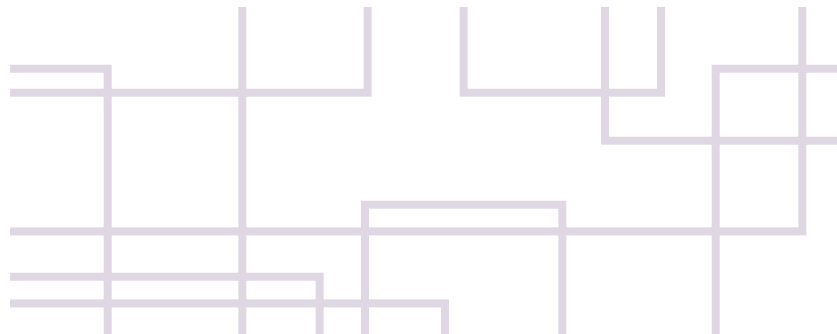
[Ms. Jennifer Roberts](#), Senior City Planner at Sewerage & Water Board of New Orleans

[Ms. Meg Adams, P.E.](#), Chief Construction and Resilience Officer at New Orleans City Park

1:30 pm - 5:30 pm Planning Commissioner Training

[Ms. Joanne C. Poret, AICP](#), Director of Planning and Zoning, City of Monroe, LA

[Mr. Mart Black, AICP](#), Director of Coastal Restoration and Preservation Terrebonne Parish, LA



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