

# WNY Economic & Land Development Forum

The Architecture of Regional Resurgence



Embassy Suites, The Avant Building, 200 Delaware Avenue  
Thursday, October 8th, 8:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.

## Lower Level Avant Ballroom I. OPENING SESSION: UB 2020 — THE ARCHITECTURE OF REGIONAL RESURGENCE

8:30 a.m. – 8:35 a.m.

**Program Introduction:** Steven Ricca, Partner, Jaeckle Fleischmann

8:35 a.m. – 9:00 a.m.

**Presenter:** David C. Perry, Ph.D., Director, Great Cities Institute, University of Illinois at Chicago

9:00 a.m. – 9:50 a.m.

**Panel Discussion**

**Facilitator:**

Robert G. Shibley, Ph.D., Director, The Urban Design Project, UB

**Panelists:**

Renee Filip, Senior Director, Buffalo Niagara Partnership

Kate Foster, Director, UB Regional Institute

Robert Genco, Vice Provost, Director, UB STOR

Hal Morse, Executive Director, GBNRTC

Dennis Penman, EVP, M.J. Peterson

Pat Whalen, COO, BNMC

9:50 a.m. – 10:10 a.m.

Break (20 Minutes)

10:10 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.

Breakout Panel Sessions (80 Minutes)

## Lower Level Avant Ballroom A.) THE FRAMEWORK FOR REGIONAL GROWTH — AN UPDATE

**Facilitator:**

Steven Ricca, Partner, Jaeckle Fleischmann

**Panelists:**

Robert Shibley, Ph.D., Director, The Urban Design Project, UB

Tom Dee, President, Erie Canal Harbor Corporation

Jim Allen, Executive Director, Amherst IDA

Kathy Konst, Commissioner, Erie County Department of Environment & Planning

Thomas DeSantis, Senior Planner, City of Niagara Falls

Eva Hassett, Executive Director, International Institute

## Upper Level Encore

## B.) NYS HISTORIC PRESERVATION TAX CREDITS & DEVELOPMENTS — NEW OPPORTUNITIES

**Facilitator:**

Raymond Reichert, Partner, Jaeckle Fleischmann

**Panelists:**

Howard Zemsky, CEO, Larkin Development Group

Jason Yots, Principal, Preservation Studios

Catherine Schweitzer, Board Chair, Preservation Buffalo Niagara

Jake Schneider, Architect & Developer, Schneider Design Architects

Karl Frizlen, Architect & Developer, The Frizlen Group Architects