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Panelists for Session 1



Jarrett Walker

Jarrett Walker is an international consultant in public transit network design and policy. A full-time consultant since 1991, he has led numerous major planning projects in North America, Australia, and New Zealand. He currently serves as a Principal Consultant with MRCagney, and as a Senior Planning Advisor with Vancouver's transit agency TransLink. He is probably best known for his professional weblog, HumanTransit.org. His book *Human Transit*, focused on making transit concepts and problems clear for the general reader, is forthcoming this fall from Island Press.

He grew up in Portland, Oregon during the revolutionary 1970s, the era when Portland first made its decisive commitment to be a city for people rather than cars. He went on to complete a BA at Pomona College (Claremont, California) and a Ph.D. in theatre arts and humanities at Stanford University. Passionately interested in an impractical number of fields, he is probably the only person with peer-reviewed publications in both the *Journal of Transport Geography* and *Shakespeare Quarterly*.



Frank Palermo

Frank Palermo is a professor in Dalhousie University's Faculty of Architecture & Planning, and the Director of the Cities & Environment Unit. Beyond his extensive professional experience in urban design and participatory planning, Frank has been a key player on HRM's Urban Design Task Force, the group which led the development of a new urban design plan for downtown Halifax. Frank's leadership and vision have shaped countless revitalization and community development projects. Frank worked as Senior Planner/Director/Downtown Planning and Development Officer for the City of Calgary for eight years, establishing a plan for the city. He believes that a bold, long-term vision can be implemented locally through immediate, short-term action that builds local capacity, skills and knowledge.



Steven Dale

Steven Dale is the Founding Principal of Creative Urban Projects (CUP), a small planning and design shop dedicated to innovation, community and the incubation of new ideas for the urban century ahead. Steven has a keen interest in new styles of planning and the intersection between technology and the urban form. He's written for many online and print publications and consulted with think tanks, the private sector, government and academia. CUP is currently focusing its attention towards Cable-Propelled Transit - that is, adapting ski lift-style gondolas into mass urban transit, a concept Steven readily admits is ridiculous until you think about it for a minute or two. <http://www.creativeurbanprojects.com>