

“Resiliency: Designing for Change”

Description: Discussions about climate change often use the term resiliency. But what does resiliency mean? How can we plan for resiliency in our buildings and our communities? What does it mean to mitigate climate change, or adapt for it? And perhaps most important, how can we have productive discussions on these topics? It isn't enough to build a single, sustainable building out in a field. We are part of a wider network and need to adapt to thinking at a variety of scales – from single building to neighborhood to town to city. This presentation starts with the basic ideas of resiliency, mitigation, and adaptation, then explores how these ideas can be applied in our communities for a safer, greener future for all of us. The presenter is Kristen Nyht, an architect and urban planner with 20 years of experience. She has worked on a wide variety of projects, from small renovations to large cultural and institutional projects. Kristen is an enthusiastic urbanist and advocate for sustainable design.

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