

- PUBLIC LECTURE-

Part of the 32nd Annual Great Blue Heron Week*

Designing Cities That Embrace Nature

Thursday, May 31, 2018 | 5:00 pm

Shattuck Hall Annex, Portland State University SW Broadway and SW Hall Street



Dr. Tim Beatley, Teresa Heinz Professor of Sustainable Communities, University of Virginia, will describe what cities in the Biophilic Cities Network are doing to adopt policies that reflect and contribute to a better understanding of urban residents' innate love of nature. "Biophilic Urbanism" assumes that contact with nature and the natural world is absolutely essential to modern urban life. Scientific evidence is mounting that we are more resilient, creative, and healthier physically and psychologically when we live, work, and recreate in the presence of nature. The concept of Biophilia holds

that love of nature is "hard-wired" in us, an inborn trait. Dr. Beatley will share the work he and colleagues are engaged in to encourage greater access to nature in cities.

Doors open at 4:45 pm at the Shattuck Hall Annex at Portland State University at SW Broadway and SW Hall Street. Program 5 pm to 6:15 pm.

Timothy Beatley is author or co-author of more than fifteen books, including *Green Urbanism: Learning from European Cities, Native to Nowhere: Sustaining Home and Community in a Global Age, Biophilic Cities: Integrating Nature Into Urban Design and Planning.* Beatley founded and directs the Biophilic Cities Project at UVA (<u>http://biophiliccities.org/</u>). He holds a PhD in City and Regional Planning from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, an MA in Political Science from UNC, a Masters of Urban Planning from the University of Oregon, and a Bachelors of City Planning from UVA.

* For details of other events and trips for the **32nd Annual Great Blue Heron Week** go to: <u>www.audubonportland.org</u> or <u>www.theintertwine.org</u>

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