

Civic Commons Studio #9: A Call to Action

October 15–17, 2024
Philadelphia, PA

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October 14

Aloft Philadelphia Downtown
101 North Broad Street
Philadelphia, PA

5:00 – 6:00 pm

Registration

October 15

Pennsylvania Academy
of the Fine Arts
118-128 North Broad Street
Philadelphia, PA

8:00 – 9:00 am

Registration & Breakfast

9:00 – 9:10 am

Welcome and Stage Setting

Bridget Marquis

REIMAGINING THE CIVIC COMMONS | US ADVISORS

9:10 – 9:30 am

Philadelphia: Public Space, Democracy and Civic Life

Shawn McCaney

WILLIAM PENN FOUNDATION

9:30 – 10:00 am

Climate Resilience Through the Public Realm

Julia Hillengas

POWERCORPSPHL

Erica Smith Fichman

PHILADELPHIA PARKS & RECREATION

Carlton Williams

OFFICE OF CLEAN & GREEN INITIATIVES
CITY OF PHILADELPHIA

Moderated by

Sidra Fatima

URBAN ADVISING COLLECTIVE

10:00 – 10:45 am

Introducing Philadelphia

Aminata Sandra Calhoun

CENTENNIAL PARKSIDE CDC

Tess Donie

PHILADELPHIA PARKS & RECREATION

Tonnetta Graham

STRAWBERRY MANSION CDC

Maura McCarthy

FAIRMOUNT PARK CONSERVANCY

Kevin Roche

FAIRMOUNT PARK CONSERVANCY

Maitreyi Roy

BARTRAM'S GARDEN

October 15 *(continued)*

11:15 am – 12:30 pm

Strawberry Mansion Tour

Mander Recreation Center

Ricky Brown

PHILADELPHIA PARKS & RECREATION

Will Kearsce

PHILADELPHIA PARKS & RECREATION

Judith Robinson

STRAWBERRY MANSION CIVIC ASSOCIATION

Tyrone Williams

STRAWBERRY MANSION CDC

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*Strawberry Mansion Legacy
Courts & Playground*

Tonnetta Graham

STRAWBERRY MANSION CDC

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*Strawberry Mansion
Resource Garden*

Terrence Landham

EAST PARK REVITALIZATION ALLIANCE

Tanya Parker

COMMUNITY ACTIVIST AND GARDENER

Justin Trezza

PENNSYLVANIA HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY

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The Yard at Coltrane House

Aminta Gadson

FRIENDS OF THE YARD

Connie Ho

WATCHDOG

Heidi Segall Levy

WATCHDOG

Alyssa Young

KABOOM!

The Discovery Center

3401 Reservoir Drive

Philadelphia, PA

12:30 – 1:30 pm

Lunch

With remarks by:

Darrell Clarke

FORMER CITY COUNCIL PRESIDENT

Suzanne Biemiller

AUDUBON MID-ATLANTIC

Justin Ennis

PHILADELPHIA OUTWARD BOUND SCHOOL

1:45 – 3:00 pm

Parkside Tour

Centennial District Plan

Leigh Ann Campbell

PHILADELPHIA PARKS & RECREATION

Maura McCarthy

FAIRMOUNT PARK CONSERVANCY

Gillian Tiley

US ADVISORS

Michael Miller

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Clean & Green and Partnerships

Aminata Sandra Calhoun

CENTENNIAL PARKSIDE CDC

Kate Illes

PHILADELPHIA PARKS & RECREATION

John Smith, Jr.

SCHOOL OF THE FUTURE

October 15 *(continued)*

Parkside Programming

Caitlin Mance
PHILADELPHIA CITY ROWING

Jessi Ray Koch
CENTENNIAL PARKSIDE CDC

Tashia Rayon
CENTENNIAL PARKSIDE CDC

George Rowley
PHILADELPHIA CITY ROWING

Welsh Fountain & Parkside Edge

Alex Gilliam
TINY WPA

Ausra Mussett
FAIRMOUNT PARK CONSERVANCY

Tara Rasheed
FAIRMOUNT PARK CONSERVANCY

Renee Schacht
TINY WPA

3:15 – 4:45 pm

Afternoon Break

Bartram's Garden
5400 Lindbergh Boulevard
Philadelphia, PA

5:15 – 6:30 pm

Bartram's Garden Tour

Led by Bartram's Garden staff, Board members and local leaders from the Southwest Philadelphia Community Leadership Team.

56th Street Plaza

Tess Donie
PHILADELPHIA PARKS & RECREATION

Chris Gale
BICYCLE COALITION OF GREATER PHILADELPHIA

Boardwalk

Kathy Klein
PARTNERSHIP FOR THE DELAWARE ESTUARY

Jameson Paige
MURAL ARTS

Botanic Garden

Sarah Pharaon
DIALOGIC CONSULTING

Sankofa Community Farm

Cedric Hardy
BARTRAM'S GARDEN

6:30 – 8:00 pm

Dinner in Community

Enjoy a relaxed outdoor meal with locals in the Eastwick Pavilion.

With remarks by:

Councilmember Jamie Gauthier
CITY OF PHILADELPHIA

Maitreyi Roy
BARTRAM'S GARDEN

With performance by:

Oluwafemi

October 16

Pennsylvania Academy
of the Fine Arts
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8:00 am – 9:00 am

Breakfast

9:00 – 9:15 am

Morning Remarks

Bridget Marquis

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9:15 – 9:30 am

Philadelphia: Citywide Context

Katie Martin

THE PEW CHARITABLE TRUSTS

9:30 – 10:30 am

City Shares

Angelo Alberto

CAMDEN SPECIAL SERVICES DISTRICT

Kit Anderson

CIVICLEX

Paul Bauknight

THE CENTER FOR TRANSFORMATIVE URBAN DESIGN

Susan Dalton

INNOVATE MEMPHIS

Lou Jimenez

SAN JOSÉ DOWNTOWN ASSOCIATION

Wade Johnson

TRI-STATE TRAILS

Tonja Khabir

JONES CAFE

Alex Morrison

MACON-BIBB COUNTY

Caitlin Murphy

LIVES ALLIANCE

Joe Myers

CAMDEN COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP

Dan Rice

OHIO & ERIE CANALWAY COALITION

Taqee Vernon

LIVES ALLIANCE

10:30 – 11:00 am

Loneliness, Democracy and the Role of Civic Space: A Conversation

The Honorable Chris Murphy

UNITED STATES SENATE

Interviewed by

Shawn McCaney

WILLIAM PENN FOUNDATION

October 16 *(continued)*

11:00 am – 3:30 pm

Immersive Learning and Lunch

Advocating for Connection

Bike along the Delaware River and experience how political will is being built for trails, greenways and access to nature.

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Balancing Ecology & Diverse Public Life

Visit FDR Park and discover how both climate resilience and activation are being prioritized through engagement, design, programming and staffing.

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Equity & Repair

Explore Chinatown & Chinatown North on a walking tour and learn about reuniting neighborhoods through the public realm.

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Future of Downtowns

Walk the Ben Franklin Parkway and see the evolution of the role of public space in continuing to catalyze a vibrant Center City.

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Nationally Renowned / Locally Relevant

Consider the opportunities for public art and public space to translate tourist destinations into authentic places for local connection and meaning.

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Take Me to the River

Experience how Camden & Philadelphia are reconnecting people to their waterfronts.

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3:30 – 5:15 pm

Afternoon Break

The Liberty View at
Independence Visitor Center
599 Market Street
Philadelphia, PA

5:30 – 7:00 pm

Gather: Evening Reception

Heavy hors d'oeuvres, wine & beer,
and music.

With remarks by:

Commissioner Susan Slawson

PHILADELPHIA PARKS & RECREATION

Kathryn Ott Lovell

PHILADELPHIA VISITOR CENTER CORPORATION

With performance by:

Küf Knotz & Christine Elise

October 17

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8:30 am
Breakfast

9:00 – 9:30 am
**Morning Reflections with
the Philadelphia Civic
Commons Team**

9:30 – 10:15 am
Affinity Group Discussions

10:15 – 11:00 am
Team Debrief

11:00 am – Noon
Insights to Take Home

Moderated by
Bridget Marquis
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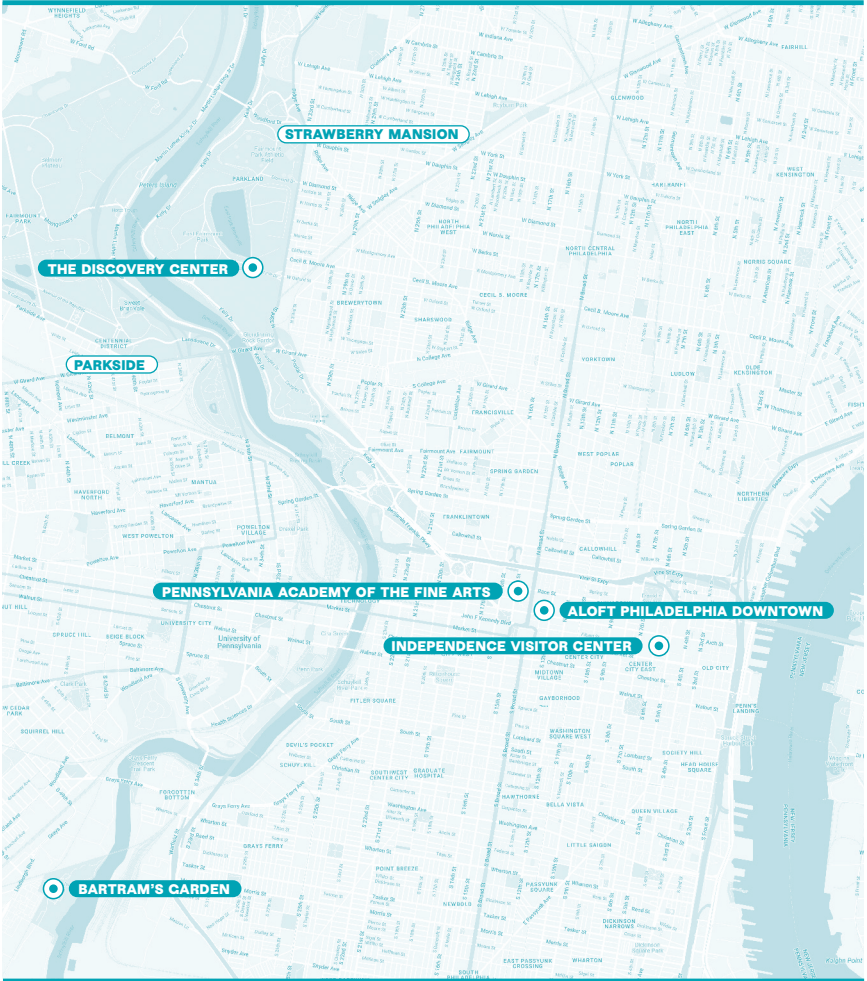
Noon – 1:30 pm
Lunch and Conversation



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