

## **Humane Metropolis Baltimore**

A free public workshop sponsored by the Lincoln Institute of Land Policy
Organized by the Ecological Cities Project
In collaboration with the Parks & People Foundation

**Date:** June 11, 2009 **Time:** 9:00 am – 5:00 pm

Location: The Maryland Historical Society

201 W. Monument St. Baltimore, MD 21201

Today, 80 percent of Americans live in cities and suburbs and more than half the world's population is now classified as "urban." Older cities and their suburbs like Baltimore City and County are experiencing many challenges—affordable housing, jobs, mobility, education, public health, physical fitness, floods, and ecological destruction—not to mention the current economic and foreclosure crisis.

**"Humane Metropolis"** is a new perspective on people, nature, and cities developed by the Ecological Cities Project in collaboration with the Lincoln Institute of Land Policy. The 2006 book *The Humane Metropolis: People and Nature in the 21st – Century City* highlights new initiatives for various cities to become more:

**Green:** Protect and restore urban biodiversity and ecological services **Healthy:** Promote outdoor exercise and fitness, reduce respiratory threats **Safe:** Reduce crime rates; lower risk of fire, floods, and other hazards **Efficient:** Employ a better use of water, energy, materials (e.g., green building, light rail)

**Equitable:** Embrace environmental and social justice, affordable housing, access to jobs

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Neighborly: Foster pride of place and sense of community

Humane Metropolis Baltimore, the latest in a series of regional conferences, will involve practitioners, activists, and public officials from Baltimore and elsewhere to address the following session topics:

- 1. Baltimore and Its Region: The Road Ahead
- 2. Urban Parks: New Uses and Users
- 3. Baltimore's New Sustainability Plan
- 4. Growing Food and Community
- 5. Urban Ecology: The Baltimore Ecosystem Study (BES)
- 6. Reviving Urban Streams and Watersheds









## Lead Speakers

Humane Metropolis Baltimore will be facilitated by six local and national land use experts:



**Lenneal J. Henderson** Distinguished Professor of Government and Public Policy Schaefer Center University of Baltimore Baltimore, MD



**Mary L. Washington** Assistant Director Urban Resources Initiative Parks & People Foundation Baltimore, MD



Wanda S. Durden Director Department of Recreation and Parks Baltimore, MD



**Steward Pickett** Senior Scientist Baltimore Ecosytem Study Cary Institute of Ecosystem Studies Millbrook, NY



Joan M. Reilly Senior Director Philadelphia Green Pennsylvania Horticultural Society Philadelphia, PA



**Rutherford H. Platt** Professor of Geography Emeritus University of Massachusetts Amherst, MA

## **REGISTRATION**

Registration is free, however, due to limited space advance registration is required. There are five easy ways to register:

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