

Preserve Wakefield presents



Preservation and Place: from Vision to Implementation

Shared Identity, Shared Future: A Panel Discussion

Tuesday, March 21, 2016

7:00 – 9:00pm

Contemporary Theatre

327 Main Street, Wakefield

free admission

How does a community preserve a sense of place while fostering economic development?

How does it define shared values, and a shared vision for the future?

What strategies can it use to implement this vision?

Four experts in development, planning, and heritage and preservation will explore alternatives that position a town for growth while also keeping a community's identity. As South Kingstown embarks on an update of its **Comprehensive Plan**, we seek to learn from others' successes and failures, and how to successfully employ best practices here in South County. Questions from the audience are encouraged.

Panelists include:

Mark Van-Noppen, Developer

Cofounder of The Armory Revival Company, van Noppen specializes in the reuse and redevelopment of historic properties, from planning and conception to investment, development, and management.

Carolyn Misch, AICP, Planner

Senior Planner for the City of Northampton, Mass., Misch is currently working on updating regulations and zoning to create more walkable, accessible, and livable neighborhoods, and to enhance gateway commercial corridors and historic residential districts.

Jeremy C. Wells, Ph.D., Historic Preservation & Laurajane Smith, Ph.D., Heritage Studies

At Roger Williams University, Wells explores the interrelationship of historic preservation and psychology, geography, anthropology, and community development/public health; Smith teaches at Australian National University (Canberra), is Editor of the International Journal of Heritage Studies, and focuses her work on heritage as a cultural process of identity and memory making as it relates to community, tourism, public policy, and identity politics.

Moderator: Marc Levitt

Local filmmaker, writer, and radio host

Preserve Wakefield seeks to preserve and build upon South Kingstown's architectural, environmental, and cultural heritage to strengthen its economic vitality and community well-being. For more information see www.preservewakfield.org.