

The New City Critics program aims to empower new, fearless, and diverse voices to challenge the ways we design, plan, and develop our cities.

New City Critics will be a two-year fellowship program supporting four critics from underrepresented backgrounds to engage issues of architecture, planning, and urban development. The fellowship will support the development of emerging writers and cultural producers through mentorship opportunities, research guidance, guest lectures, networking, and production of new critical projects in Urban Omnibus and other leading publications. Participants will be compensated for their participation and provided a travel stipend.

Through this fellowship, we aim to drive change in the culture of criticism. In addition to supporting these four participants, we look forward to launching public programs and other channels that introduce new voices and create a more expansive conversation on the future of cities.

In Memoriam

New City Critics is founded in honor of Michael Sorkin, a brilliant urbanist, fierce critic, and beloved mentor. From his early days as Village Voice architecture critic through his late career as publisher of Urban Research, he exhorted the design community to embrace social justice. As board member of both the Architectural League and the Urban Design Forum, he balanced generous collegiality with energizing provocation.

Advisory Board

The program will be guided by an Advisory Board of leading writers, editors and photographers:

Garnette Cadogan an essayist, the Tunney Lee Distinguished Lecturer in Urbanism at the School of Architecture and Planning at MIT, and Senior Critic in Sculpture at Yale School of Art.

Dario Calmese made history as the first Black photographer to shoot a cover for Vanity Fair with his portrait of Viola Davis. He hosts the radio series The Institute of Black Imagination.

Vinson Cunningham is a staff writer and a theatre critic at The New Yorker. A former White House staffer, he now teaches in the MFA Writing program at Sarah Lawrence College.

Sukjong Hong is the editor of Curbed and was previously managing editor and web editor at the Architect's Newspaper and a reporter-researcher at the New Republic.

Carolina A. Miranda is a Los Angeles Times columnist covering art, architecture and urban design, along with various other facets of culture in Los Angeles.

Program Leadership

Architectural League: Rosalie Genevro, executive director; Mariana Mogilevich, editor-in-chief, Urban Omnibus

Urban Design Forum: Daniel McPhee, executive director; Guillermo Gomez, program director; Janrey Serapio, communications manager; Tami Hausman, program committee chair

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- Introduce an event celebrating the inaugural cohort.
- Contribute a quote for collateral and press releases related to the fellowship.
- Join the Founder's Circle, a group of patrons and critics who will gather with the fellows twice each year to share learnings and debate the foci and future of criticism.
- Receive recognition by name at an event celebrating the inaugural cohort.
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- Receive recognition by name on related collateral, invitations and events.

\$10,000

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\$2,500

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\$1,000

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