

# PLACEMAKING NETWORK: SPRING 2017 SEMINARS

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Monday, June 26<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 PM  
BSA SPACE, 290 Congress Street, Boston



## THE NEW URBAN FARM at the historic Fowler Clark Epstein Farm, Mattapan



Barbara Knecht  
Urban Farming Institute of Boston

Kathy Kottaridis  
Historic Boston Inc.

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Perkins + Will

Keith Zaltzberg  
Regenerative Design Group

The Fowler Clark Epstein Farm is a vacant and distressed Boston Landmark with two historic buildings and abundant open space. The site is being repurposed as a training center for prospective commercial urban farmers, and as a place where the public can learn how to grow and prepare good local food. The project restores the 18<sup>th</sup> century house for offices and meeting spaces, the 19<sup>th</sup> century carriage barn for a classroom and teaching kitchen, and the 10,000 sf of land as growing beds and greenhouse for the training program. The project is a unique multi-disciplinary partnership of Historic Boston Inc. (owner and developer), the Urban Farming Institute (lessee and operator), The Trust for Public Land (farm and greenhouse construction), and North Bennet Street School (preservation carpentry). Members of the team, along with their building and landscape architects, will present the details and challenges of this property's renewal and talk about its potential to create a distinctive place and to influence broader neighborhood change in Mattapan.

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The Boston Society of Architects' Placemaking Network meets monthly to hear seminar presentations on the subject of Placemaking, to discuss what makes public spaces successful, and to examine how architects, landscape designers, urban planners, artists, and public officials can work together to create great public places, to turn SPACE into PLACE.

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