



The Isadore Candeub Memorial Lecture in Planning

Boomburbs: The Rise of America's Accidental Cities

Robert E. Lang

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Robert E. Lang is the founding director of the Metropolitan Institute at Virginia Tech in Alexandria, Virginia, and an associate professor in Virginia Tech's School of Planning and International Affairs. He is co-editor of *Opolis: An International Journal of Suburban and Metropolitan Studies*, and serves as associate editor for *Housing Policy Debate* and book review editor for the *Journal of the American Planning Association*. Prior to joining Virginia Tech, Dr. Lang was Director of Urban and Metropolitan Research at the Fannie Mae Foundation in Washington, D.C. He has advised numerous think tanks and national associations on metropolitan issues including the Brookings Institution's Metropolitan Policy Program, the U.S. Conference of Mayors, the National Association of Counties, The Regional Plan Association, and the Community Association Institute. Dr. Lang received a Ph.D. in urban sociology from Rutgers University, where he also taught sociology and urban studies. He was also a research associate at the Center for Urban Policy Research at Rutgers. Dr. Lang's research specialties include demographic and spatial analysis, housing and the built environment, metropolitan governance, global city networks, and urban topics such as downtown development and gentrification. He has authored over 75 academic and professional publications, and has developed urban planning concepts such as "Fair Growth," "Boomburbs," and "Edgeless Cities." Dr. Lang's recent work includes the book *Edgeless Cities: Exploring the Elusive Metropolis* (2003). He is also co-author, along with Bruce Katz, of an edited book entitled *Redefining Urban and Suburban America: Evidence from Census 2000 Volume I*.

A reception will follow the lecture. Please RSVP by *October 20* to Renée Dougé by phone, 732/932-5475, x638; or email douge@rci.rutgers.edu.

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