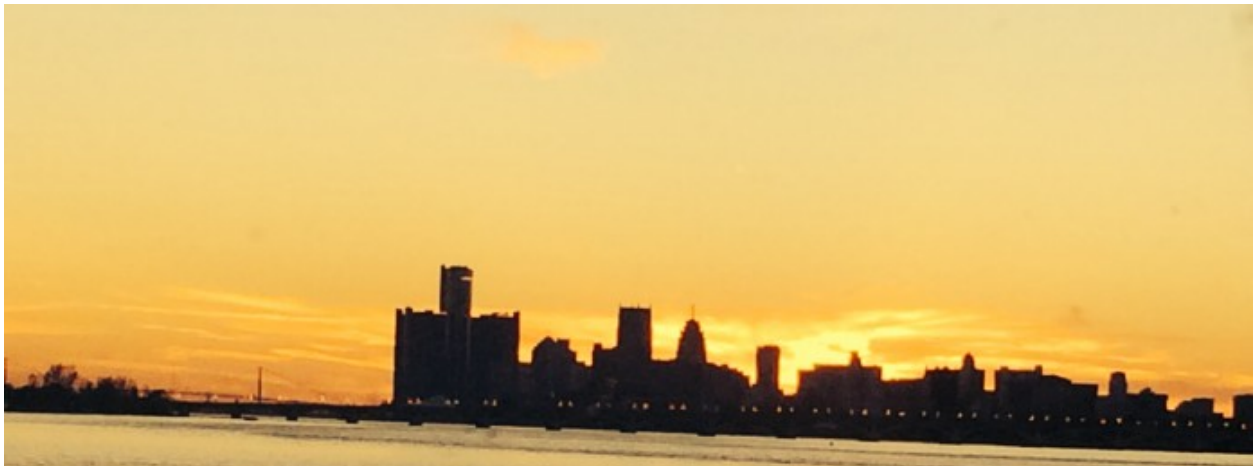


FOUNDER OF AUDIBLE TO SPEAK AT CREATE: DETROIT JUNE 30TH

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This month a new idea festival for city buildings and urbanists will take place in Detroit. The inaugural [CREATE: Detroit](#) will feature several key speakers sharing best practices and ideas for how to build creative and more inclusive cities.

Tickets are on sale now for the first CREATE: Detroit on June 30 from 2:00-6:30 p.m. at the College for Creative Studies. Hosted by world-leading urbanist [Richard Florida](#), the [Creative Class Group](#) and [Rock Ventures](#), CREATE: Detroit will offer lessons learned from other great cities including, Miami, San Francisco, Detroit and Endeavor Global.

“Great cities shape their own narrative, and they create a new narrative for the world. Detroit is charting a new path back and a guide for other cities to follow,” explained Richard Florida, Director of the Martin Prosperity Institute at the University of Toronto.

Check out the list of speakers below:

- **Richard Florida**, Director, **Martin Prosperity Institute at the University of Toronto**
- **Don Katz**, Founder and CEO, Audible.com
- **Jukay Hsu**, Founder, Coalition for Queens
- **Rana Florida**, CEO, Creative Class Group
- **Joanna Harries**, Vice President, Endeavor Global
- **Matt Haggman**, Program Director, Knight Foundation
- **Maggie Hsu**, Chief of Staff, Las Vegas Downtown Project
- **Robert Elmes**, Executive Director, Galapagos Art Space
- **Kim-Mai Cutler**, Technology Journalist, Techcrunch
- **Steven Pedigo**, Director, Creative Class Group
- **Melissa Price**, CEO, dPOP!
- **Justin Mast**, Managing Director, M1/DTW
- **Randall Fogelman**, Vice President of Business Development, Detroit Eastern Market
- **Matt Clayson**, Director, Detroit Creative Corridor Center
- **JJ Curis**, Gallery Director, Library Street Collective
- **Tiffany Massey**, Fine Artist, Red Bull House of Art
- **Garry Wasserman** — Director, [Wasserman Projects](#)
- **Amy Kaherl**, Director, Detroit Soup

“We are committed to bringing the brightest minds to the city to continue to position Detroit as a place to be for world-class innovators,” said Rock Ventures Vice President Lisa Dancsok. “Events like CREATE: Detroit help charge the momentum and elevate Detroit on a national stage.”

For more information about CREATE: Detroit: www.create-detroit.com.

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