

## Purpose + Place

### **Angie Brooks and Larry Scarpa, Civita Institute Partners in Design Climate Action Fellows, 2020**

Using design directed research from the presenter's 2020 Civita Institute Climate Action Fellowship, this seminar will explore new models of architectural design that incorporate principles from historic Italian Hill Towns and transform buildings and developments in the U.S. into cutting-edge architecture. Early modern examples in the U.S. and 17<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup> century examples from Italian Hill Towns illustrate design principles that have been woven into current built work by the presenters. The ubiquitous use of the air conditioner in the 1960s contributed to sprawl and a general decline of design excellence in architecture. Through examples of early modern architecture in the U.S. and historic Italian Hill Towns, we will illustrate how passive principles can inform design excellence, meet climate goals, enrich lives and create a sense of place.

### **LEARNING OBJECTIVES – 1.5 AIA HSW**

- 1) Outline an optimal process for improving environmental performance of any building based on urban and passive principles.
- 2) Recognize the benefits of compact, mixed-use, mixed-income communities and how density and design contribute to cultural, social and environmental benefits.
- 3) Recognize how building performance is integral to the design of buildings historically and how that can inform current architectural design.
- 4) Identify critical issues for a more sustainable built environment at the scale of a building and a street leading to how architects can positively influence public policy. Illustrate how urban planning and a dense built environment can create special places loved by all.



The seminar will conclude with a current work-in-process design examples, utilizing these principles.

**Angela Brooks** and **Lawrence Scarpa** are prominent architects with nationally recognized expertise who won the 2022 AIA Gold Medal.

