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### Panel of Design Experts to Examine Contemporary Architecture and Historic Preservation in the Nation's Capital

**Washington, DC** – Tonight the National Capital Planning Commission (NCPC) will gather a distinguished group of design and preservation experts at Catholic University to explore how the city's planning and design review agencies can welcome innovative new architecture while preserving Washington's historic city.

*Contemporary Design, Historic City: The Balancing Act Between Innovation & Preservation*, is part of NCPC's ongoing Speaker Series. As the federal government's planning agency for the National Capital region, NCPC is charged with the need to protect the region's nationally significant historic and cultural resources while welcoming innovative and modern architecture that serves the region's contemporary needs.

Panelists include **Anne H. Adams**, an architectural historian at the law firm of Goulston & Storrs with extensive experience with federal, state, and local historic preservation programs; **Suman Sorg**, an award-winning architect well-known for blending an interest in preservation with a modernist flair; and **Cherilyn Widell**, Director of Heritage Assets & Historic Preservation Office, Fort Monroe Authority, who led the successful development of over one million square feet of new office and production space in San Francisco's historic Presidio. **Chrysanthe B. Broikos**, curator at the National Building Museum, will moderate.

The program is presented in partnership with Catholic University's School of Architecture and Planning and the Washington Chapter of the American Institute of Architects. There is no charge to attend.

To RSVP, visit [www.ncpc.gov/rsvp](http://www.ncpc.gov/rsvp).

**Who:** Participants

- Anne H. Adams, Architectural Historian, Goulston & Storrs
- Suman Sorg, FAIA, Principal, Sorg Architects
- Cherilyn Widell, Director of Heritage Assets & Historic Preservation Office, Fort Monroe Authority

Moderator

- Chrysanthe B. Broikos, Curator, National Building Museum

**What:** Contemporary Design, Historic City: The Balancing Act Between Innovation & Preservation

**When:** Tonight, Tuesday, June 7, 2011, 6:30 – 8:00 p.m.

**Where:** Crough Center for Architectural Studies, Koubek Auditorium  
Catholic University School of Architecture and Planning

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