



**Bill Mitchell Symposium**  
*School of Architecture & Planning*

November 10 - 11, 2011 at the MIT Media Lab



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## Bill Mitchell Symposium

Thursday, November 10, 2011

**1:00pm – 2:00pm**

**Coffee and Registration**

**2:00pm – 2:30pm**

**Welcome**  
Charles Vest  
Adele Santos  
George Stiny

**2:30pm – 3:30pm**

**Keynote**  
Howard Burns

*Bill Mitchell: Drawing on the Past,  
Building a Future*

**3:30pm – 4:30pm**

**Keynote**  
Manuel Castells

*City of Bits, Space of Flows:  
My Dialogue with Bill Mitchell's  
Theory of Urbanism in the Digital Age*

**4:30pm – 4:45pm**

**Break**

**4:45pm – 5:30pm**

**Bill Mitchell's Architecture at MIT**  
Frank O. Gehry  
Joe Pryse  
Bill Mitchell (video)

**5:30pm – 6:30pm**

**Reception**

**6:30pm – 8:30pm**

**Dinner**  
  
Keynote  
Sherry Turkle

*New Ways of Seeing*

Friday, November 11, 2011

<b>8:30am – 9:30am</b>	<b>Coffee</b>
<b>9:30am – 11:00am</b>	<b>Computation Panel</b> George Stiny, moderator Terry Knight Takehiko Nagakura Lawrence Sass Dennis Sheldon
<b>11:00am – 12:00pm</b>	<b>Industry Panel</b> Kent Larson, moderator Phil Bernstein Christopher Borroni-Bird
<b>12:00pm – 1:30pm</b>	<b>Lunch</b> (6th Floor, Silverman Room)
<b>1:30pm – 3:00pm</b>	<b>Urban Studies Panel</b> Bish Sanyal, moderator Dennis Frenchman Sir Peter Hall Mel King Giandomenico Amendola
<b>3:00pm – 3:30pm</b>	<b>Break</b>
<b>3:30pm – 5:00pm</b>	<b>Media Lab Panel</b> Mitchel Resnick, moderator Kent Larson Ryan Chin Neri Oxman
<b>5:00pm</b>	<b>Conclusion</b> George Stiny

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## Keynote Speakers

### Howard Burns

Howard Burns is Professor of the History of Architecture at the Scuola Normale Superiore in Pisa, and is acclaimed internationally for his work on the architectural history of the Renaissance. He is a member of the Accademia Olimpica in Florence, the Consiglio Scientifico of the Centro d'Architettura Andrea Palladio in Florence, and the Consiglio Scientifico of the Centro Giulio Romano in Mantua. Professor Burns received the BA and MA from the University of Cambridge, where he has also been the Slade Professor of Fine Art and a Fellow at King's College.

### Manuel Castells

Manuel Castells is University Professor and the Wallis Annenberg Chair in Communication Technology and Society at the University of Southern California (USC), Los Angeles. He is Professor of Communication at the Annenberg School for Communication & Journalism, and holds joint appointments in the Department of Sociology in the School of Policy, Planning, and Development and in the School of International Relations.

### Sherry Turkle

Sherry Turkle is a professor, author, consultant, researcher, and licensed clinical psychologist who has spent the past 30 years researching the psychology of people's relationships with technology. She is the Abby Rockefeller Mauzé Professor of the Social Studies of Science and Technology in the Program in Science, Technology and Society at MIT. Her most recent book is *Alone Together: Why We Expect More From Technology and Less From Each Other*.

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