New York City’s
**World Class Streets**

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Lecture at 12:30 pm

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Abstract

New York City is in the midst of an unprecedented effort to redevelop the City’s public realm. NYCDOT has instituted new design standards and moved forward to implement street projects in its multi-faceted World Class Streets initiative. Mr. Andy Wiley-Schwartz will give an overview of bicycle, pedestrian, transit and mobility improvements (both policy and practice) that we have enacted at NYC DOT over the last 20 months under the leadership of Mayor Bloomberg and Commissioner Sadik-Khan.

Biography

Andy Wiley-Schwartz is an Assistant Commissioner for Planning and Sustainability at New York City Department of Transportation. Andy was hired by Commissioner Janette Sadik-Kahn in 2007 to develop a public space program at DOT and develop livable streets initiatives for the department. In this capacity he developed and launched the NYC Plaza Program, an initiative of Mayor Bloomberg’s PlaNYC2030 to develop new public spaces out of existing streets in communities across New York City. He is also spearheading an effort to streamline and standardize streetscape improvements with a specific aim toward improving the walkability and livability of New York City’s streets. In addition, Andy supervises several special projects for the DOT Commissioner including a contract with Danish Architect Jan Gehl to measure,
evaluate and promote public life in New York.

Prior to working at NYCDOT, Andy was a Vice President at Project for Public Spaces, Inc. where he directed their Transportation Program. He supervised and coordinated PPS’s key transportation projects, including DOT training programs, corridor management projects, main street and downtown street enhancement, traffic calming and bicycle/pedestrian projects. In addition to his training and project work, Andy has conducted in-depth research into park partnerships, transportation facility development, public space programming and downtown and neighborhood revitalization programs. Prior to working at PPS, Andy was a political analyst for Washington Analysis Corporation, an investment research firm, where he wrote and commented on political affairs and the impact of trade, monetary, and domestic policy on the financial markets.