DETROIT, MI — On Thursday, the Congress for the New Urbanism inducted nine outstanding urbanists as its 2016 class of CNU fellows—long-time members who have made significant contributions to the movement. As fellows, these nine New Urbanist luminaries join the ranks of architects, planners, urban designers, writers, public officials, and developers who have made an impact across the US and the world.

“The nine amazing New Urbanists that make up this year’s class of fellows represent more than just the history of CNU,” said CNU Founder Elizabeth Plater-Zyberk, “they are the bedrock on which the future of our movement will be built. We’re proud to honor their contributions to the legacy of New Urbanism and their ongoing role in the fight to build better places.”

The nine CNU fellows officially inducted Thursday were Todd Zimmerman, Norman Garrick, Jacky Grimshaw, Ray Gindroz, Jim Kuntsler, John Norquist, Robert Davis, Daryl Davis, and Mayor Joe Riley. In order to honor their legacy, each fellow was pinned by a current CNU board member. Robert Davis and Daryl Davis were honored in absentia, while Mayor Joe Riley was honored at an earlier ceremony in Detroit.

The 2016 class of CNU Fellows were unveiled on Thursday night in Detroit, MI as part of CNU’s 24th annual Congress, a four-day international conference focused on walkable neighborhoods, sustainable cities, and downtown revitalization. Each year, CNU honors a new class of Fellows as part of the Congress, which convenes 1500+ national leaders in architecture, design, planning, and development. Following this year’s Congress in Detroit, the 25th Congress for the New Urbanism will be hosted in Seattle, May 3-6, 2017. For more information, visit cnu.org.

Through 23 years of advocacy, the Congress for the New Urbanism has changed the national conversation from a debate over sprawl to a discussion on how to reinvest in our cities and towns. As Americans both young and old demand walkable lifestyles, the market for unique and green places is growing in every region. Through our projects, innovative tools, events, membership and programs, we empower people to deliver those places. CNU is a 501(c)3 with offices in Chicago, IL and Washington, DC.
The full list of 2016 CNU Fellows follows:

**Todd Zimmerman** (Michaele Pride)
**Norman Garrick** (Eliza Harris Juliano)
**Jacky Grimshaw** (Marcy McInelly)
**Ray Gindroz** (John Torti)
**Jim Kuntsler** (Dan Slone)
**John Norquist** (Ken Voigt)
**Robert Davis** (absentia)
**Daryl Davis** (absentia)
**Joe Riley** (absentia)

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