

## Design Like You Give A Damn: Live! Opening Reception

JEWISH CONTEMPORARY MUSEUM

Thursday, November 7 7:30pm



Natural disasters are intensifying, displacing 26 millions of people worldwide each year. Leading environmental groups predict that by 2050 the number of climate change refugees will increase fivefold. Coupled with population shocks from increasing migration, urbanization and conflict as well as changing health patterns, the result is a silent but dangerous threat to the stability of cities. The design decisions that inform our built environment – from micro to macro – must tackle these issues in a proactive manner.

But how? What is the role of the designer in stewarding the built environment? And, how can

we make citizens more aware of the steps they can take to protect their lives and livelihoods?

During the three day forum, design experts and enthusiasts, industry leaders across disciplines and corporate sponsors, donors and more come together to address the challenges and lessons learned in humanitarian design and community development. Panel topics address cutting-edge topics and small-group workshops allow participants to gain hands-on knowledge from expert panelists.

To kick off the conference, Architecture for Humanity has partnered with Curry Stone Design Prize for Opening Night. The Curry Stone Design Prize will announce its 2013 Winners and present the inaugural Vision Award. The awards ceremony will include introductory remarks from John Cary, awards presentation to each of the winners, and premiere of short documentary films on the work surrounding the winners and honoree.