



Irvine, California

October 8-10th, 2013

In conjunction with the U.S. Department of Energy Solar Decathlon 2013

A ground-breaking summit that will result in "mapping the path to zero" for net-zero energy homes and communities across North America.



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Edward Mazria
Founder and CEO
Architecture 2030

Join us October 9 for

**Pulling Back the Lens:
Requirements for a Net-
Zero Energy Society**

Read more about Ed [here](#).

"The U.S. residential building sector – which accounts for about 70% of our building stock – is critical in curbing greenhouse gas emissions and addressing climate change. This Summit provides a timely opportunity for national leaders to convene, share best practices and coordinate efforts to maximize the effectiveness of our combined actions." - Ed Mazria

More and more corporations, developers, builders, and public organizations across the continent are investing time and money to achieving the goal of net-zero energy. Why? Because they are smart.

Net-Zero Energy (NZE) homes, businesses and communities are comfortable, efficient and resilient. They are the present and future - the latest evolution of green building. Simply put, a net-zero energy home produces as much energy as it uses over the course of a year. NZE buildings are highly efficient and include renewable energy systems (most often, photovoltaics) and multiple benefits: improved indoor air quality and comfort, energy bills that approach or even surpass zero, superior durability, and greater property appreciation.

A movement and market transformation are underway to advance affordable net-zero energy homes and communities across North America. A first-of-its-kind gathering of industry leaders in the growing net-zero energy movement is happening in California in October

At this interactive event, participants will examine and debate the evolving practice of net-zero energy, building the market, and the supporting pillars such as model policies and education, and much more.

Get involved and [attend the event](#) to help map the Path to Zero – be a part of developing a tangible, actionable, and aligned plan for catalyzing the market toward shared NZE goals. Visit netzeroenergysummit.com to register or even align as a sponsor.



Ann V. Edminster, M. Arch., LEED AP,
Design AVenues LLC
NZE Coalition Board Member and Net-
Zero North American Leadership
Summit Chair

"I see the Summit as an incredibly valuable gathering, because we're seeing a tremendous uptick in the interest in net-zero energy initiatives around the globe. This is a critically-needed opportunity for those who are leading this effort across North America to come together, leveraging all the individual efforts into a coherent, coordinated movement."



Sam Rashkin, Chief Architect, DOE
Building Technologies Program and
NZE Coalition Board Member

"The train has left the zero net-energy station with numerous programs, products, and builders laying claim to this important attribute. Now is the time to establish consistent terminology, definitions and criteria for how the housing industry can earn and promote this special distinction. DOE's Building America and Challenge Home programs have been working hard to develop the technical framework and messaging for moving zero net-energy ready homes into the market. The Leadership Summit provides a great opportunity to now engage the essential stakeholders to agree on the fundamental rules of the game so we can effectively deliver on the zero net-energy ready home promise."

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The 3-day **agenda** has been designed to engage participants in an active dialogue, focused on the key issues being faced by the Net-Zero industry today. These Net-Zero Energy issues will be discussed and debated on Day 1 (Big Picture issues) and Day 2 (Implementation Nuts and Bolts) categorized into three tracks: Evolving Practice, Building the Market, and Supporting Pillars. The results of these discussions will be brought to Day 3 when we will collectively map the path to zero.

We have arranged two opportunities for summit attendees to tour the U.S. Department of Energy Solar Decathlon 2013: on the morning of October 10, as an alternative to participating in the Day 3 workshop; or on the morning of October 11, following the close of the summit.

This is a participatory 'problem solving' event. To ensure a successful outcome we would like all participants to be fully engaged in this initiative. Therefore, we ask that you read the **Collective Impact** article. Key excerpts from the article, along with a link to the article online and a downloadable PDF, are available [here](#).

Early Bird Tickets Available Until July 31, 2013!

Included in the ticket price:

- Informal networking on Monday evening
- All plenaries and track sessions on Tuesday and Wednesday
- Leadership Planning Workshop on Thursday
- Reception on Tuesday
- Access to Innovation Hall
- Networking opportunities throughout the event
- Field Trip on either Thursday or Friday to the U.S. Department of Energy Solar Decathlon 2013
- Breakfast and lunch on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday

For ticket prices and to register click [here](#).

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