Housing Strategies and Post-Capitalism

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Come along to discuss and debate how housing struggles and strategies can be critical for revolutionary change. In a time when unaffordable housing and environmental sustainability are great challenges — especially in global cities such as NYC — radical approaches offer possibilities to struggle for both better housing and post-capitalism. Squatting, expanding appropriate public (social) housing, and eco-collaborative models — eco-cohousing, eco-communes and ecovillages — will be discussed with special reference to new book Small is Necessary: Shared Living on a Shared Planet (2018), urban squatters’ movements and leading housing organizations in Washington DC (ONE DC and Empower DC).

PANELISTS


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