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## **2023-2024 SPATIAL JUSTICE STUDIO COMMUNITY FELLOWS ANNOUNCED**



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The Spatial Justice Studio @ CDI is pleased to announce the 2023-2024 Spatial Justice Community Fellows, who will receive funding to explore issues of spatial injustice in the local community. This is the sixth cohort of SJS Community Fellows. In the past, SJS Fellows have explored a wide range of issues including brownfields, access to healthcare, parks and recreational facilities, and green infrastructure within Winston-Salem and Forsyth County.

This year's cohort of SJS Fellows includes Zach Blizard, Research Consultant for the Center for the Study of Economic Mobility at Winston-Salem State University; Dr. Andrew Britt, Assistant Professor of History and Digital Humanities at the University of North Carolina School of the Arts; and a team from Island CultureZ, made up of Michael Banner, Chief Catalyst at Island CultureZ, Marcus Hill, Co-Catalyst at Island CultureZ, and Dylan Turner, Ph.D. Candidate at the University of North Carolina at Charlotte.

Their projects will explore issues related to the built environment and its impact on social capital, the use of immersive technology for memorialization in the Boston-Thurmond neighborhood, and an exploration of community perspectives on collective land ownership. Through these projects, the SJS seeks to expand local knowledge around issues of spatial injustice that impact our community's sustainability and growth potential. More information on each project can be found at <http://cdiwsnc.org/project/spatial-justice-fellows/#20222023>.

Please visit the Spatial Justice Studio's website to learn more about the important work being done at the Studio. [Spatial Justice Studio | Center for Design Innovation \(cdiwsnc.org\)](http://cdiwsnc.org)

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