

# ASLA 2024 **INSIGHT**

Conference on Landscape Architecture

OCTOBER 6-9 | Washington, DC

A person wearing a red helmet and a blue shirt is riding a black bicycle on a city street. The sun is low in the sky, casting long shadows and a warm glow. In the background, there are brick buildings and a street sign that says "COMMERCIAL".

## TOUR OF DC'S BIKE INFRASTRUCTURE: PROTECTED BIKEWAYS AND ULTI-USE TRAILS

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**Sunday, October 6, 2024**

**12:30 PM – 3:30 PM**

**MON-B03**

Washington DC has an extensive network of bikeways that has been 20+ years in the making. Join us as we explore the city's diverse bike infrastructure on a 8-mile ride along protected bike lanes and multi-use trails. Learn DC's cycling history, gain implementation insights, and discover important design considerations.





# LEARNING OUTCOMES

- 1. Learn about the history of Washington DC’s bike infrastructure and key development phases
- 2. Learn best practices when designing bicycle facilities, including accessibility, transit access, and maintenance considerations
- 3. Discover first-hand how bikeway facility design affects user experience
- 4. Discover lessons learned in the implementation process and the realities of building bikeways on complex urban streets

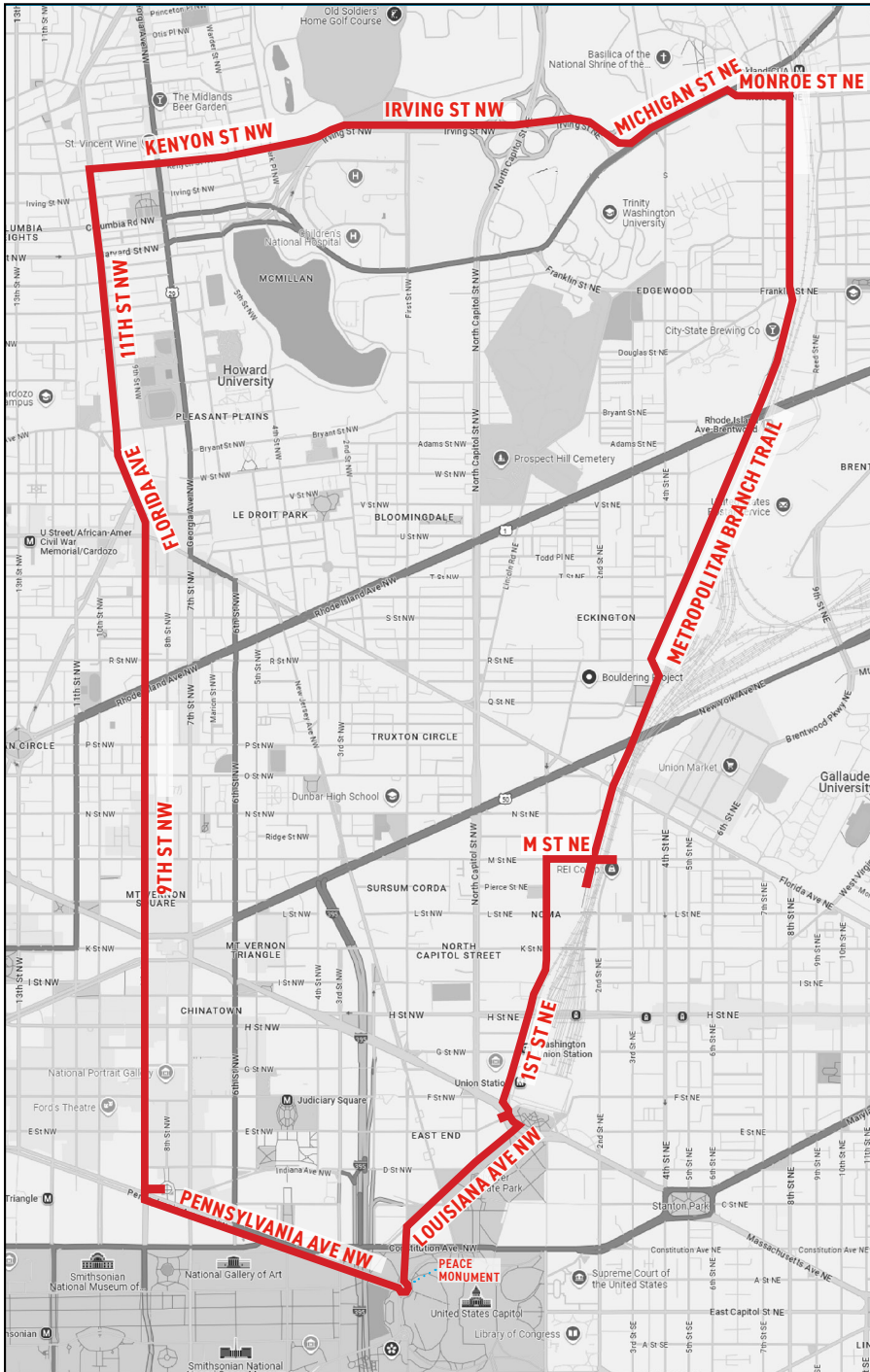
# FIELD SESSION TIMETABLE

12:30 - 1:00 PM	In-class Session at the Convention Center
1:00 – 1:30 PM	Access e-bikes outside Convention Center & conduct Safety Meeting
1:30 PM	Bike tour starts
1:30 – 1:45 PM	Bike first segment
1:45 – 2:05 PM	1st Stop at Pennsylvania Ave
2:05 – 2:20 PM	Bike second segment
2:20 – 2:35 PM	2nd Stop at Metropolitan Branch Trail
2:35 – 2:50 PM	Bike third segment
2:50 – 3:10 PM	3rd Stop
3:10 – 3:30 PM	Return to Convention Center
3:30 PM	Bike tour ends

# SESSION ROUTE

The field session is composed of a bike ride that covers Washington, DC's diverse bicycle infrastructure history, planning, and design and maintenance guidance.

Participants will depart from the Convention Center on e-bikes. Prior to departure, the group will hear an overview of the route we will take, will participate in a safety meeting, and will hear an overview of the history of Washington DC's bike infrastructure.



## MEETING AT CONVENTION CENTER

- History of Washington, DC bicycle infrastructure by Jim Sebastian
- Era of bike routes and bike paths
- Early 2000's – 2010: reallocating pavement space to create bike lanes
- 2010 and beyond: retrofitting streets for separated bike lanes, and significant street reconstruction

## PICK UP BIKES AND CONDUCT THE SAFETY MEETING

- Equipment and helmet check
- Basic rules of riding in a group (obey all signals and stop signs, etc)
- Identify lead rider and sweep
- Identify things to look for during the first segment

**BEGIN ROUTE: THE TOUR WILL BEGIN AT THE CONVENTION CENTER AND HEAD SOUTH ON THE NEW 9TH STREET PROTECTED BIKE LANE**

# SPEAKERS



**JENNIFER TOOLE, FASLA, AICP**

TOOLE DESIGN

Jennifer is the President and founder of Toole Design, a firm specializing in bicycle and pedestrian transportation with 18 offices across the U.S. As a certified urban planner with a degree in Landscape Architecture, she has led numerous national and statewide research and planning initiatives. Jennifer was the Principal Investigator for AASHTO's 2012 Guide for the Development of Bicycle Facilities and is co-authoring its update. She has co-authored several award-winning street design manuals and served three terms as President of the Association of Pedestrian and Bicycle Professionals. In 2023, Jennifer was inducted as a Fellow of the American Society of Landscape Architects.



**JIM SEBASTIAN**

TOOLE DESIGN

Jim is a Senior Planner on Toole Design's Mid-Atlantic Planning team, where he has contributed to important transportation and mobility discussions throughout the DC region, for example on the U.S. Capitol Campus Master Plan Update and DowntownDC BID Pedestrian Safety and Experience Study. He brings deep experience, relationships, and perspective to his work at Toole Design, built through a distinguished career with the District of Columbia Department of Transportation (DDOT) where he most recently served as the Associate Director for Planning and Sustainability.



**MIKE GOODNO**

DISTRICT DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Mike Goodno is a transportation planner in the District Department of Transportation's Active Transportation Branch. In his 20-plus years at the DDOT, he has been planning, designing, and engaging the community in street transformation projects to improve conditions for walking and biking. During this time, he has helped grow the city's bike lane network from 3 miles to over 115.

