

## Kaye Bock Student Paper Award

The Kaye Bock Student Paper Award is given to the author of a paper that is an outstanding example of scholarship and that exemplifies Kaye's commitment to underrepresented issues or peoples. The award is named in loving memory of Kaye Bock-DCRP's Student Affairs Officer for over 20 years-to honor her unbounded concern for and commitment to graduate students in this department. It is also intended as an expression of gratitude from the Berkeley Planning Journal to Kaye for her critical and caring support during our first two decades of publication. The winner is chosen by the editorial board of each volume of the Berkeley Planning Journal. The Kaye Bock Student Award Paper Award is accompanied by a \$250 cash gift.

This years we have selected Evan Casper-Futterman for his paper, "Back to (Non)Basics: Worker Cooperatives as Economic Development," which is included in the special Just Metropolis section of this issue. Casper-Futterman's piece discusses the Evergreen cooperative model in Cleveland, proposing it as a viable model of economic development that can be applied in other cities experiencing post-industrial economic decline. Casper-Futterman reviews the literature on economic development, providing the reader with a critical analysis of common paradigms and not-so-common theories, making a clear distinction between economic development and economic growth, and focusing on the benefits of Local Economic Alternative Development Strategies. The essay argues that economic development models based on large-scale worker cooperatives, although difficult to establish, have the potential to generate equitable and sustainable growth, especially when compared with "creative class" and amenity-based redevelopment efforts.

Casper-Futterman, currently studying for his Masters Degree in Urban and Regional Planning at the University of New Orleans, presents an interesting case study that answers the Berkeley Planning Journal editorial board's goal of publishing works on radical approaches to planning based on social, economic, and environmental sustainability. Moreover, the board is glad to include an essay that illuminates existing alternative modes of development, especially one that proposes worker cooperatives as a viable economic growth strategy rather than just a small-scale business model, known to many of us in the Bay Area only in the form of small boutique shops.