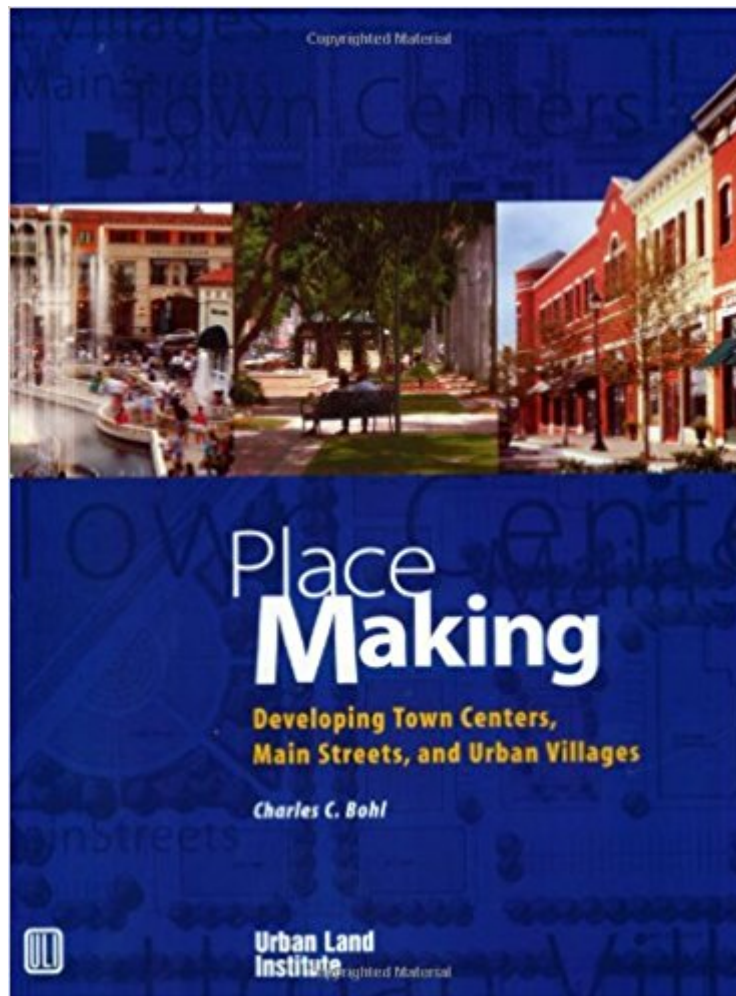




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# Place Making: Developing Town Centers, Main Streets, And Urban Villages



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"Ever try to create a mixed-use development? Do not try it without first reading Place Making: Developing Town Centers, Main Streets and Urban Villages by Charles C. Bohl. This excellently researched book describes the state of the art of mixed-use, place-creating developments. The case studies are particularly valuable...The book seamlessly serves a variety of audiences: developers, planners, designers, and general readers interested in urban places." [Source: Review by Douglas Farr, Journal of the American Planning Association, Winter 2004, Vol 70, No. 1.]

Charles Bohl is an associate professor and director of the Real Estate Development + Urbanism Program at the University of Miami's School of Architecture.

I found this book to be one of the best out on the topic, of which there are too few at present for

such an important topic. The depth and breadth of place-making topics and their coverage makes this a very excellent easy-to-read-and-understand as well as a long-term reference tool. The graphics are very well done. Having recently attended a Harvard program on retail for cities and new towns and urban center given by Bob Gibbs and Terry Shook, I especially found the book right on target. I want to see more of these types of books.

An excellent source of well researched information. Bohl has used excellent case studies used to illustrate the issues. Certainly a valuable read.

In my opinion, this is a fine book which details basic current planning principles. There are many photos and many references to built projects. Case studies are a strong point of this fine book.

I was put on to this book by a professor at USF School of Architecture. It contains not only the history of placemaking but real examples of placemaking and tools in how to achieve the notion of "place." Not only is this a great resource, but it is easy to read and follow along. Highly recommended!

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