**Atlantic Planners Institute**
**Newfoundland and Labrador Branch**

# PLANNER'S PLATE

## The Origins of Suburbia in 19th Century London

Speaker:
**Kate Scarth**

Date: ***Wednesday, August 17, 2011. 12:00 noon to 2:00 p.m.***

Place: ***Foran Greene Room, St. John's City Hall, 10 New Gower Street, 4th floor***

Today suburban sprawl shapes cities throughout the United Kingdom and North America. Kate's PhD thesis locates the origins of suburbia in nineteenth-century London through novels of the time alongside planning history, historical geography, and nineteenth-century documents on architecture and landscape gardening.

London expanded rapidly during this period, as landlords became amateur urban planners as they transformed their country estates near London into estates of terraced townhouses, while the expanding middle class bought up and built villas from which they could commute back and forth to London's financial district. Kate will discuss types of early suburbia as addressed in her thesis, including such forms as the townhouses on affluent West End estates, the noble/gentry country estate as a suburban model, and the merchant's villa.

Price: $20.00 for API members; $25.00 for non-members. Grilled panini sandwich or wrap, plus salad, plus a dessert square. Includes tea, coffee, or soft drink. Please advise in advance if you prefer vegetarian. Please pay our Treasurer at the door; receipts are available.

**A reservation is required. Please contact Lindsay Lyghtle Brushett, phone 576-8285 or e-mail llyghtle@stjohns.ca by Tuesday morning August 16, 2011. Those who register but do not attend will be responsible for any cost incurred.**

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