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Jane M Jacobs, Head of Urban Studies, Yale-NUS College and author of *Buildings Must Die: A Perverse View of Architecture*

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AbdouMaliq Simone, author of *City Life from Jakarta to Dakar: Movements at the Crossroads*

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