



# Christopher Leinberger to speak at Downtown Council Annual Luncheon

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*Christopher Leinberger*

the keynote speaker at the

2017 Annual Luncheon, *Downtown KC: Back in the Game*, on **Friday,**

**January 27, from 11:00 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.** in the Grand Ballroom of the

Kansas City Convention Center.

Leinberger is a nationally recognized expert in emerging experience-based economies. His vision of Downtown's place in a world of accelerating change will inspire us and frame the question how do we position ourselves to understand and realize the opportunities before us. Leinberger is also a land use strategist, professor, developer, researcher and recently the author of the book, *The Option of Urbanism*. He will inspire us to continue creating a vital Downtown Kansas City.

## **Luncheon Highlights:**

- Presentation of the Downtown Council's highest honor, the **J. Philip Kirk, Jr. Award** [<https://www.downtownkc.org/annual-luncheon/awards/>] in Recognition of Community Vision and Downtown Stewardship to **Albert P. Mauro**.
- Announcement of the **2016 Urban Hero Award** [<https://www.downtownkc.org/annual-luncheon/awards/>] recipients, honoring small businesses, entrepreneurs, and individuals who are improving the quality and diversity of life Downtown.



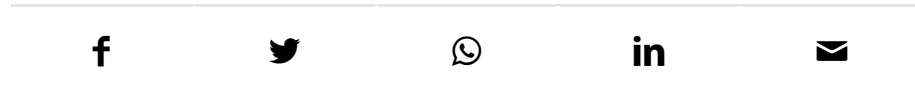
innovative technology-based start-up business grant recipients

- Prior to the luncheon, guests will participate in the **Spirit of Downtown KC Exhibit** [<https://www.downtownkc.org/annual-luncheon/exhibit/>]. More than 50 booth spaces will highlight new developments, creative businesses and the arts of Downtown.

Reserve your seats today at <https://www.downtownkc.org/annual-luncheon/>. Individual tickets start at \$100; sponsored tables of 10 start at \$2,500. Contact Ann Holliday, [ann@downtownkc.org](mailto:ann@downtownkc.org) [<mailto:ann@downtownkc.org>], or Shannen Merrick, [smerrick@everenergy.com](mailto:smerrick@everenergy.com) [<mailto:smerrick@everenergy.com>], with any questions or for additional information.

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