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David Burney is co-founder and director of the Urban Placemaking and Management program at the Pratt Institute School of Architecture. The graduate MS program is the first in the country to focus on the emerging field of “placemaking” as an approach to urban and community design.

David Burney Chairs the Board of the Center for Active Design.

The Center supports public health by increasing opportunities for physical activity and healthy eating through the design of the built environment. The Center was established in 2012 as one of the key initiatives to emerge from New York City Mayor Bloomberg’s Obesity Taskforce.

David Burney was Commissioner of the New York City Department of Design and Construction (“DDC”) from 2004 to 2014 where he launched a City-wide “Design and Construction Excellence Initiative” with the goal of raising the quality of design and construction of public works throughout New York City.

David Burney holds a Diploma in Architecture from Edinburgh College of Art, a Diploma in Architecture from Kingston University, and a MSc in Advanced Architectural Studies from University College, London.