The Jane Jacobs Lecture will feature Michael Tubbs is the Mayor of Stockton, California. He was elected as mayor in 2016 at age 26, and is Stockton's youngest mayor and its first African-American mayor.

Tubbs is a graduate of Stanford University graduating with a Bachelor's degree in Comparative Studies in Race and Ethnicity and a Master's degree in Policy, Leadership and Organization Studies. As an undergraduate, he received a Truman Scholarship, and was the joint winner of the university's Lloyd W. Dinkelspiel award for "distinctive and exceptional contributions to...the quality of student life." During his time at Stanford, he served as President of the school's NAACP, and interned at the White House.

Tubbs has championed reforms to improve police community relations, increased investment in the underserved areas of Stockton, increased opportunity for youth, and created coalitions with local, statewide and national interests to address very pressing issues.