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**NYCxDDesign Event: DSNY Presents “Waste is a Design Flaw”  
A Panel Discussing the Role Designers Play in New York City’s Waste Ecosystem**

**EDITOR’S NOTE: Commissioner Garcia will make a special announcement regarding an upcoming design competition to redesign city litter baskets**

To help highlight how designers can help the City achieve its ambitious goal of sending zero waste to landfills by 2030, the New York City Department of Sanitation will host a panel discussion during the city’s NYCxDDesign event.

**WHAT:**

The panel will discuss the latest creative solutions--from high-fashion textile up-cycling to new guidelines for building design.

**WHO:**

Sanitation Commissioner Kathryn Garcia  
Designer Heron Preston  
NYAIA Member Clare Mifflin  
Van Alen Institute’s Jessica Lax

**WHEN:**

Monday, May 14  
5 p.m.

**WHERE:**

151 West 42nd Street, 21st floor  
Manhattan

**About the New York City Department of Sanitation**

The Department of Sanitation (DSNY) keeps New York City healthy, safe and clean by collecting, recycling and disposing of waste, cleaning streets and vacant lots, and clearing snow and ice. The Department operates 59 district garages and manages a fleet of more than 2,000 rear-loading collection trucks, 450 mechanical brooms and 693 salt/sand spreaders. The Department clears litter, snow and ice from approximately 6,500 miles of City streets and removes debris from vacant lots as well as abandoned vehicles from City streets.