



## Forum will focus on tax liens, land banking

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An upcoming public forum will focus on the City of Poughkeepsie's tax lien system and opportunities for land banking. The forum will be held from 5:45 p.m. to 8 p.m. on Wednesday Nov. 14 at the Mid-Hudson Heritage Center, 317 Main St., Poughkeepsie.

The panelists will be Joshua Simons, senior research associate, Benjamin Center, SUNY New Paltz; Tarik Abdelazim, associate director of National Technical Assistance, Center for Community Progress; Jennifer Holmes, assistant counsel of the NAACP Legal Defense Fund; and Madeline Fletcher, executive director of the Newburgh Community Land Bank.

John Penney, opinion engagement editor at the Poughkeepsie Journal, will moderate the forum, which will include a chance for the public to ask questions of the panelists.

The Benjamin Center of SUNY New Paltz and the Mid-Hudson Heritage Center are providing assistance to the event.

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