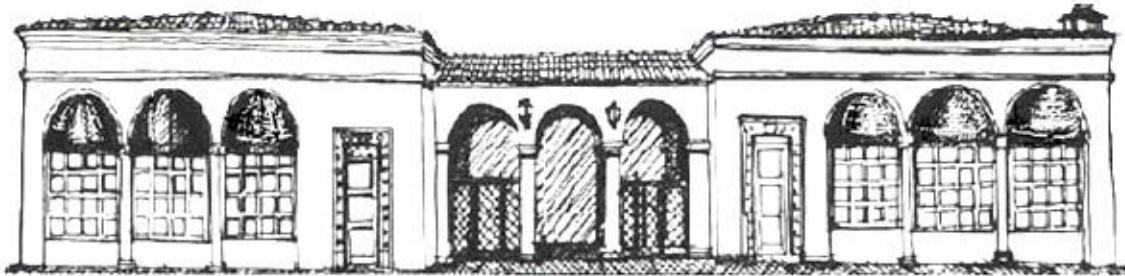


**The University of Miami School of Architecture and its  
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***Our Cities, Our Retailers:  
Mitchell Kaplan and Stacy Mitchell Talk with Carol  
Coletta, host of the public radio show Smart City***

**Thursday, October 25, 8 p.m.**

**Books & Books**

**Coral Gables, 265 Aragon Ave., Coral Gables, FL**

Carol Coletta, host and producer of the nationally syndicated public radio show *Smart City* and president and CEO of CEOs for Cities, interviews Mitchell Kaplan, owner of Books & Books, and Stacy Mitchell, author of *Big-Box Swindle: The True Cost of Mega-Retailers and the Fight for America's Independent Businesses* (Beacon Press, 2006). The three discuss independent retail: What is its value to a community? How can independent retailers contribute to a community's distinctiveness? What do we lose by living in a world with fewer independent retailers? What can we do about it?

After the discussion, we'll open the floor for questions. The event will be taped and later broadcast on *Smart City*. The evening is co-sponsored by the University of Miami School of Architecture and its Knight Program in Community Building in honor of Books & Books' 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary, and held in partnership with Union Radio (1210 AM), which is taping the event.