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**Member Spotlight
Deborah Bergin, AIA**



MEMBER SPOTLIGHT DEBORAH BERGIN, AIA

I am a member of AIA because... AIA is the leading professional membership organization for architects and the design community. I appreciate the professional support, advocacy, and collegial community both nationally and locally.

I am an architect and senior project manager, with over thirty years of experience in the fields of architecture and construction. My passion and skills are in management of process and concept design that I then can shepherd through subsequent phases of design and construction. My focus in the last 15 years has been in development of culturally transformational projects to realize owner goals. My work on three major Visitor Center projects were focused on visitor experience to immerse, educate and transform the guest experience. I believe a collaborative design process will produce projects that are not only on-time and on-budget, but more importantly on-purpose. I enjoy management of large complex consultant teams. I am versed in all phases of architectural services and believe the key to successful project management is understanding and orchestrating the varied skills and knowledge that individual teams and participants hold.

What is the most important thing you've learned?

Continue learning and honing your craft. Become versed in all aspects of architecture and learn from your internal and consultant teams. Learn about construction and the methodology of how buildings and projects are created. Listen, always listen. It's what allows us to be knowledgeable and insightful. Be creative, we are problem solvers at our core. Enjoy the journey and have fun, it's not just a career it's your life.

What is your favorite piece of architecture? Why?

I'm a huge fan of buildings that forever enhance a skyline. One of my favorite classic examples would be the Empire State Building, an American cultural Icon. Drawings were produced in 2 weeks, construction from excavation to building opening was realized in a record breaking 14 months and still to date it's one of the tallest and most elegant buildings in the world.

What person, living or dead, would you most like to talk with?

Richard Branson would have to be on the list. I've been inspired by his entrepreneurship, persistence, reinvention, philanthropy and his exceptional lifestyle. He has created an environment of mentorship within his companies, realizing the importance of guidance to encourage entrepreneurial opportunities. He seems to have mastered my philosophy of balancing hard work with an elegantly crafted personal life.

How can architects provide "value add" to their clients?

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Think beyond traditional architectural phases of service. My most rewarding projects included collaboration with experts beyond traditional architecture and engineering. I've been blessed to have been involved in projects working with economic analysts and business planners. I've worked with The Biomimicry Guild who taught my team to study flora and fauna as examples of how to thrive in an environment. I've worked with biologists, ecologists, artists, cultural anthropologists and interpretive planners. Don't ever be limited in your offer and surround yourself with experts who will help you add value.

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GARDEN CLASSROOM PARTNERSHIP

Kids, you gotta love'em. If you want to have a smile on your face for a few days, I have the perfect recommendation; spend a few hours with Landscape Architect Anna Peltier of Aria Landscape Architecture and the AIA Las Vegas COTE Committee at one of the elementary schools they visit a few times a month.

When was the last time you stepped into a 4th grade classroom in a challenged neighborhood?.....never, well I never did before either, and boy, what a fun experience it is. Working with the students, I think I learned as much as these inquisitive, well-behaved and diverse group of 8 year olds did. I was also amazed at how much these young kids know about google earth, sun orientation and compass directions. Anna is not only a leader of the 'Garden Classroom Partnership', her company, Aria Landscape Architecture has made it their mission to support this program with passion, manpower, drawings and even funds when necessary.....superstars in our community.

The Garden Classroom Partnership is a program that was created in 2016 when The AIA Las Vegas Committee on the Environment (AIA LV COTE) joined with Green our Planet. For nearly four years, Green Our Planet has been helping Clark County Schools find funding and resources to build vegetable gardens at existing elementary schools. AIA LV COTE joined the effort by providing two additional benefits to the process.

First, the children are introduced to the design professions through design charrettes and interactive activities. Members of the AIA LV COTE Committee met with the students on two separate occasions to teach the students about the importance of planning and site assessment.

The first visit to the school by Anna and a group of volunteer architects, landscape architects and engineers is to talk about the process of design and understanding what their building site will be. They teach the children about measuring, talk about feet and inches on tape measures, and even measure the children feet so they can measure a space using their feet walking across a space. Of course, converting how many steps their feet take needs to be converted to feet and inches, so another great learning experience. The group goes out to the space on the school grounds where the garden will be and then the children all get to measure the space and help do a drawing. These dimensions and drawings are taken by Anna back to her office and put into the computer. The simplified site plans will then be used on the second visit to the school.

On the second visit, the students are taught about the professions of Architecture, Landscape Architecture, and Engineering, about the design process, and then do a design charrette that allows the students to think like an Architect and design their own garden. Each child is given a site plan of where the garden is to be placed and they get to design their perfect garden. The discussion included such design concepts and program elements as sun orientation, scales, legends and what types of plants can be planted and such elements as birdhouses, scarecrows, tool sheds, benches, outdoor classroom with white boards, fountains, fencing, gates and more. It is really fun to walk around the classroom and help the children dream and design, and it is surprising some of the fun things that are suggested including snack refrigerators and taco shacks. They are amazing!

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The second benefit provided by AIA LV COTE is a usable design for the garden classroom. After meeting with the students, teachers, and other staff from the schools, AIA LV COTE, through Aria Landscape, creates a garden classroom plan, incorporating the needs of the specific school and providing some guidance for the constructions. At the end of the process, the school is provided with a garden layout plan and some simple construction details to assist with the build out. To date, AIA LV COTE has worked with eight elementary schools in the Las Vegas valley. Anna shared an email she recently received from a very excited teacher and class and both Anna and the teacher have given me permission to include in this message. Thank you Rachelle at Marc Kahre Elementary School. I know you and the class will enjoy the entire experience:

Hi Anna,
I would be lying if I was to say it's a pleasure to work with you in a few weeks. I am thrilled, excited, ready to leap and jump and shout excited. My students are going to be over the moon for the upcoming challenge. My class is AMAZING and they will be so enthusiastic about all the activities that we will be doing. I am so excited... have I said this yet?

Thank you for your time and dedicated to children and teachers all around, this is an amazing opportunity and an incredible way to teach children about some things that are just so difficult to teach in the classroom. This is a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity that these kids will be talking about this forever.

Please feel free to contact me or Paula with any questions.

Have an incredible day,
Rachelle

This year's focus on Igniting Interest, Education & Passion for Architecture in The Next Generation of Architects is important and ongoing. As I meet and talk with students from elementary grades to high school seniors, I am encouraged more than ever about the future of architecture. The interest in architecture is there. We in the architectural community can help ignite the passion and aide in the education of the students, all we need to do is reach out and talk, show and share.

There are so many opportunities to share your passion of architecture that will help ignite the same passion in a young person. Please consider volunteering with Anna on this amazing project. You can reach out to www.AIALV.org to learn more of what you can do to help. They are our future and the future looks amazing!



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Did you know that AIA Las Vegas is hosting the A19' Conference on Architecture? **2019!!!** It will be here before we know it.

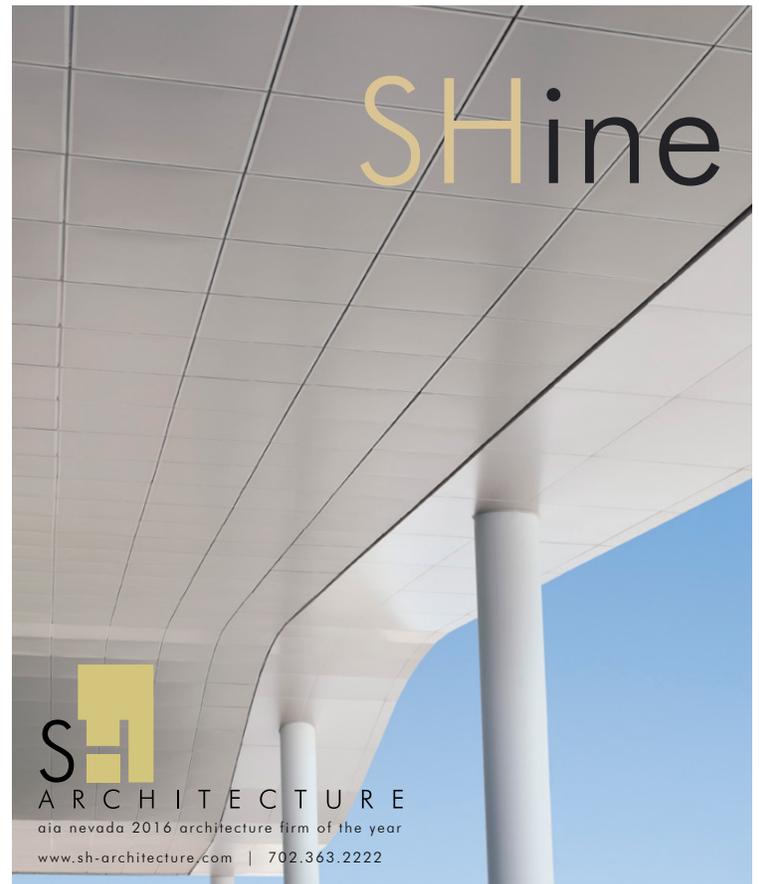
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The AIA FORUM is your newsletter.

It is provided as a member benefit and to help you stay informed on Chapter happenings, meetings, ideas and activities. We invite your participation in the form of articles and editorials.

If you have information you'd like to share or if you'd like to comment on an article, or provide new information or a point of view, please let us know via email to Randy Lavigne, Hon. AIA Executive Director, AIA Nevada/AIA Las Vegas rlavigne@aianeveda.org

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THE AIA MAY MEETING WILL NOW BE HELD ON WEDNESDAY, MAY 10TH INSTEAD OF WEDNESDAY, MAY 17TH.....

**THE EVENT WILL BE A RECEPTION AT THE "TILTING THE BASIN" EXHIBIT... ON DISPLAY IN AN ARTS DISTRICT WAREHOUSE
920 S. Commerce Street**

The "Tilting the Basin" exhibit was on display at the Nevada Museum of Art last fall, and has been brought to Las Vegas as a special event to encourage and support the plans for the Las Vegas Art Museum. Curated by NMA's JoAnne Northrup and Las Vegas based Michele C. Quinn of MCQ Fine Art, "Tilting the Basin" reflects the unique voices and approaches of artists working in Nevada. The exhibit highlights the work of six artists in depth, showing several examples from each in a variety of media.

Featured artists include Galen Brown, Justin Favela, Katie Lewis, David Ryan, Brent Sommerhouser and Rachel Stiff. The remaining artists' work gives visitors a wide-ranging picture of the art being created across Nevada today. Including painting, sculpture, drawing, photography, mixed media, street art, installation, sound performance, fiber arts and new media. Some work will live exclusively on social media, others, exclusively as street mural.

The exhibit closes on May 14th so don't miss this chance to see these extraordinary works of contemporary art. Join us on Wednesday, May 10th. Enjoy the exhibit and learn more about the plans for establishing the Las Vegas Museum of Art.

Please Note: South Commerce Street is under construction but is open for business. The road is accessible from Main Street. If you are driving on Main St., turn at Gambler's General Store. Drive forward, past the "Road Closed" Sign and over the large gravel and rocks in the street and look for the colorful "Tilting the Basin" graphics on the building to the right. Parking is available in front of 920 Commerce St or in the other open parking lots along that street. If you have RSVP'd, you will be sent a map of available parking via e-mail the night before the event.

Reception and Exhibit opens at 5:30PM. No charge to attend but you must RSVP.
(Without RSVP there will be a \$30.00 charge at the door. RSVP No-Shows Will Be Invoiced)

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"1956-1971 -THE WAY WE WERE" FEBRUARY MEETING

"MID CENTURY MODERN ARCHITECTURE" MARCH MEETING

"1971-1986 - A CITY GROWING UP" JUNE MEETING

"1986 - 2001 - THE FASTEST GROWING CITY IN THE COUNTRY"

NOVEMBER MEETING

JUNE MEMBERSHIP MEETING WHAT ARE YOU SAYING?



When you speak to a group...or an individual...or when you write a response to a communication... do you know what you are saying? Do you consider your tone, attitude, message and how you want the listener to respond? Communicating professionally, passionately and understandably is a requirement in today's business environment. Style and presence affects how an audience perceives a message and while there is great respect for architects, there's a lack of understanding about what we do and how our work affects others.

Caitlin Reagan, manager of public affairs at the American Institute of Architects' national office in Washington, DC. will present the research, methods and conclusions that led to publishing the AIA Message Book, an important tool in bridging the gap between the public and architects. She will talk about crafting a well-designed message, advancing the profession, and identify key words to convey points that your listener will remember and be able to repeat. The AIA Message Book provides statistics and anecdotes that can easily be customized to formulate individual talking points and examples with your clients. Caitlin's primary focus is the public awareness campaign efforts to help raise the profile of architects in their communities.



*Caitlin Reagan
Manager of Public Affairs
AIA National*

Join us on Wednesday, June 21st when we explore "What Are You Saying?".
Reception begins at 5:30PM, Program starts at 6:30PM.
Historic 5th Street School Auditorium
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Thank you to our Jurors who gave generously of their time. John Courtney, Director for the Smith Hospitality Group
Joyen Vakil, AIA, Exec. Director of Architecture at MGM Resorts International and Ron Frye, V.P. of Design & Construction for Boyd Gaming

Thank you to our Committee Members,
Maggie Allred,
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Randy Lavigne, Hon. AIA

And last but not least,
Thank you to our Committee Chair,
Travis Allen, Assoc. AIA for
a job very well done!



Above
"Don't Roll The Dice With Hunger" was entered by The Korte Company and was awarded "Best Meal" and "Most Cans"

To The Right
"Sweet Relief for Hunger" was entered by RWA



Above
"Game Time" was entered by SH Architecture

To The Left
"Home Grown" was entered by Klai Juba Wald Architects and was awarded "Best Original Design"

Bottom
"Viva Las Vegas" was entered by Tate Snyder Kimsey Architects and was awarded "Structural Integrity" and "People's Choice"

Bottom
"Welcome" was entered by TJK Consulting Engineers and was awarded "Best Use of Lables"



A very special Thank You to Dominic Armendariz, Assoc. AIA, Rafael Armendariz, Assoc. AIA and Cameron Tate, Assoc. AIA for going above and beyond in helping to take it all down. We couldn't have done it without you!



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This year's High School Design Awards Challenge was to Design a museum to showcase the local history of the city, on a site once occupied by one of the strip's original resorts: The Riviera Hotel and Casino. The work presented by over 84 students in 5 schools was truly exceptional! Our AIA Las Vegas President Jon Sparer, AIA served as Master of Ceremonies. We congratulate our 2017 High School Design Award Winners.

Below

The Elton Dale Scheideman, AIA Masterplan Award was awarded to Las Vegas High School. Teacher Sabrina Woodruff



Below

The Honor Award for Visual Arts was presented to Renae Sebastian of Southeast Career & Technical Academy



Below

A Citation Award for Monette Filipe, An Honorable Mention Award for Trevor J. Rackley and a Merit Award for Blaise Madayag was accepted by their teacher, Richard Knoepfel from Advanced Technologies Academy



Above

The Honor Award was presented to Trevor A. Wegel from Advanced Technologies Academy



Below

Teacher Steve Oranchak from Northwest Career & Technical Academy accepted a Citation Award on behalf of Jacob Sturm.



Below

Teacher Rosemary Czar from Southeast Career & Technical Academy stood with Antonio Valencia while he accepted his Citation Award



Above

Teacher Sabrina Woodruff from Las Vegas High School stood with Dillon Miller while he accepted his Citation Award



Below

Teacher Alisa Sirat from Southwest Career & Technical Academy stood with Molly L. Cuddihy while she accepted her Citation Award



To the Right

President of AIA Las Vegas, Jon Sparer, AIA Thanks and Congratulates High School Design Awards Chair, Ryan Sisti, Assoc. AIA on a job very well done!

We would also like to Thank all the Jurors and the Mentors who worked with the High Schools and gave generously of their time and energy!

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8:00AM to 5:00PM

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7:00 am – 8:00 am – Registration & Coffee

8:00AM – 10:00AM – Next Gen Worker and Workplace

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10:15AM – 12:15PM – The Virtuous Supervisor: Awareness = Profit

Presented by Harry M. Falconer, Jr., AIA, NCARB

Director, Examinations of Experience + Education, NCARB

Ethics in daily life...you live it though you might not recognize it. It is your ethical commitment as a registered professional in Nevada to guide the development of your team members and prepare them for practice. Errors cost you money; knowledge makes you money. This session focuses on the knowledge, skill, and tasks that your teams need to know and, how ethics and conduct underwrite success in your practice.

12:15AM – 1:15PM – Lunch (Provided)

1:15PM – 3:15PM – Building and Fire Code Updates

Presented by Sam Palmer

Acting Director, Clark County Department of Building & Fire Prevention

An in-depth discussion of the most recent updates to the currently adopted ICC Building and Fire Codes as well as Clark County local amendments. In addition, we will discuss the detailed process that Clark County and all local Authorities Having Jurisdiction (AHJ's) will be performing towards the upcoming 2018 ICC Building and Fire Code adoption cycle.

3:15PM – 5:15PM – Avoiding Conflicts: Architects & Code Officials

Presented by Ron Lynn

Director of Operations, Nevada State Contractors Board

This session identifies best practices to minimize code errors and ensure complete plan submittals. Identifying key partnerships, cultivating relationships and cooperation as methods of effective communication with approving agencies and building officials are important components of the architect's role in protecting health, safety and welfare.

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AIA LAS VEGAS CONTINUING EDUCATION LUNCHEON SCHEDULE

AIA Las Vegas continues to provide Continuing Education Luncheons without charge as a benefit of membership,

However, there is a charge of \$20.00 for non-members. All (including members) who wish to attend an AIA Continuing Education Luncheon MUST RSVP prior to the luncheon.



If you are interested in providing or hosting an AIA Las Vegas Continuing Education Lunch

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2017 AIA LV Continuing Education Opportunities are as follows:

- Thursday, May 25 - AIA NV/NSBAIDRD Seminar - LV
- Thursday, June 8 - OPEN
- Thursday, June 22 - AIA LV COTE Committee
COTE's Sustainable Design Series via AIAU
- Thursday, August 10 - OPEN
- Wednesday, September 20 - AIA LV Product Show CE
- Thursday, September 28 - AIA LV COTE Committee
COTE's Sustainable Design Series via AIAU
- October 11 - 14 - WMR Conference
- Thursday, November 9 - OPEN
- Wednesday, December 6- AIA LV COTE Committee
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- Thursday, December 7 - AIA NV/NSBAIDRD - Reno



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June 22nd - 7:30 am - 9:00 am, 1.00 LU, \$10/person
Net Zero Energy Buildings (NZEB) in 7 Climate Zones:
An Analysis of How to Design NZEB's in Varied Climates

Presented by John Andary Bioclimatic Design Leader at Integral Group, David Kaneda, Managing Principal at Integral Group and John Weale, an Engineer Fellow and Associate Principal at Integral Group
Case studies of Net Zero Energy buildings in 7 distinctly different climates compare techniques to effectively drive energy use down to reach net-zero energy.

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September 28th - 7:30 am - 9:00 am, 1.50 LU, \$10/person
Manipulating the Microclimate: Creating Comfortable Outdoor Spaces for People and Energy Efficient Communities

Presented by Duncan A. Phillips, Principal Architect, RWDI
Engage with the tools to include manipulation of the microclimate in design work to influence the internal conditions and energy demand of buildings.

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December 6th - 7:30 am - 9:00 am, 1.00 LU, \$10/person
Designing to an Energy Budget: Focus on Small Firms and Projects

Presented by Chris J. Green, FAIA, Founding Principal Ago Studios, Inc., Heather Gayle Holdridge, LEED AP BD+C, EIT, Assoc. AIA, Kim E. Shinn, P.E., Principal, TLC Engineering for Architecture
Case studies of the Performance Design Process and using Design Performance Modeling to integrate energy modeling into the design process.

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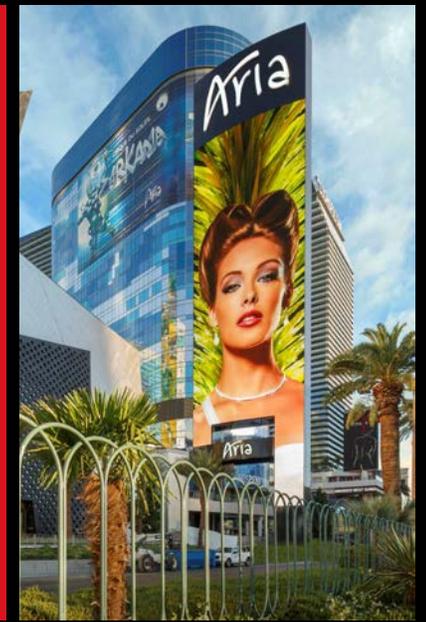
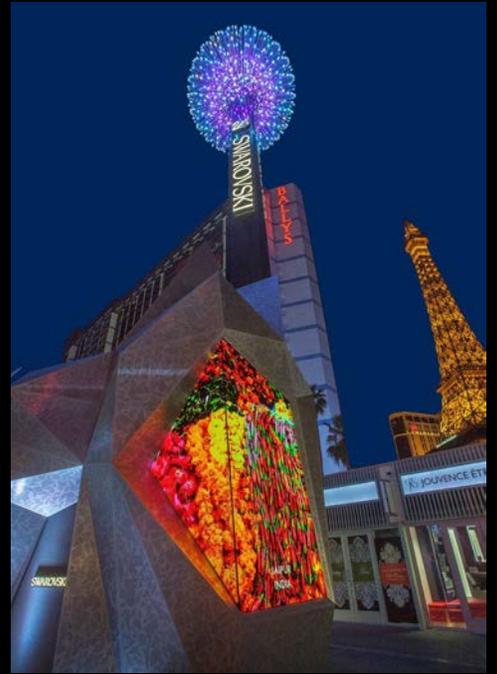
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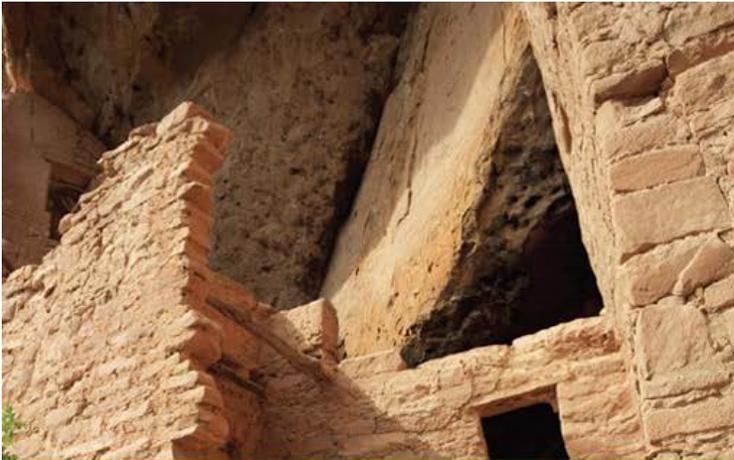


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EPYAF NEWS
TRAVIS ALLEN, ASSOC. AIA
EPYAF DIRECTOR

The EPYAF was busy last month!

Craig Palacios, AIA & Tina Wichmann, AIA of BUNNYFiSH Studio provided one of the



best discussions so far for the Memoir Monday events. Thank you to them for taking the time to discuss their unique insights to licensure/starting their firm, working with Tony Hsieh to redevelop Downtown Las Vegas, and then gaining the 2015 AIA Nevada Firm of the Year Award.



CANstruction was also a huge success! With 6 teams creating sculptures, we raised over 9,000 cans, enough to fill up an entire box truck. Thank you to the teams that participated: SH Architecture, TJK Consulting Engineers, The Korte Company, TSK Architects, Klai Juba Wald Architects, and Richardson Wetzell Architects. Look for photos from the event on page 9 of this newsletter and select winners in the upcoming Architecture Las Vegas magazine.



Pictured: "Gametime" by SH Architecture and Sweet Relief" by RWA

Since the Clark County School District has ramped up building efforts yet again, we're putting together options to tour some of the new schools under construction for this month's Hard Hat Tour. Be on the look out for the announcements!

If you are interested in helping out with the planning and promoting of these events, have some ideas of your own, or would like to be part of the Emerging Professionals committee in any way - please email me: tallen@csdarchitecture.com

Thanks!



COTE CLOSET
ESTHER GARCIA, ASSOC. AIA
CHAIR, COTE COMMITTEE

Summer Conservation

It's that time of the year again! Summer brings warmer temperatures suitable for outdoor activities, but also water and energy conservation challenges.

It is important to recognize that Southern Nevada has done a tremendous job of conserving water. Over the past decade, the city of Las Vegas has reduced its water consumption by 23 percent, despite adding half a million new residents. However, we must continue that path, to make sure there is enough water for future generations of Las Vegans. Here are some tips and tricks that we can implement to stay on track.

Get rid of grass

Did you know about the "Cash for Grass" rebate? With this program, Southern Nevada Water Authority pays homeowners \$1.50 for each square foot of grass that's replaced with water-efficient desert landscaping. So far, 172 million square feet of grass has being removed, which translated into 9.6 billion gallons of water saved every year.

Everything counts

Even the most modest measures can add up to big savings.

- Make sure your home is leak-free, read your water meter before and after a two-hour period when no water is being used. If the meter does not read exactly the same, there is a leak.
- Repair dripping faucets by replacing washers. If your faucet is dripping at the rate of one drop per second, you can waste up to 2,700 gallons per year.
- Avoid flushing the toilet unnecessarily.
- Don't let water run while shaving or washing your face.
- Take shorter showers. Replace you shower head with an ultra-low-flow version.
- Do not use running water to defrost food.
- Kitchen sink disposals require lots of water to operate properly. A composting pile could be a great way of disposing food waste instead.
- If you have a swimming pool, consider installing pool covers to reduce evaporation.
- Install water-efficient sprinklers and make sure that the water lands on lawn and shrubs and not on paved areas.
- Use Mulch to retain moisture in the soil.
- Plant native grasses, ground covers, shrubs and trees.

GREENING THE WMR

AIA Las Vegas is hosting the Western Mountain Region conference in October 2017 and we want to make the conference as sustainable as possible. Our committee has the following ideas but would love to hear from the membership on creative ways ideas to green our convention.

- Recycling paper
- Electronic versus printed materials
- Transportation options (like a bike share between the hotel and the 5th Street School)
- Refillable water bottles instead of bottled water

If you are interested in helping Green the WMR please contact Jennifer at Jennifer@codagroupinc.com with your ideas!



Urban Sketchers

The Urban Sketchers next meeting will be on **Saturday, May 20th, from 8:00am to 4:00pm.** (Don't be late!)

They will be meeting at the Lowe's near Farm and Durango (7551 N. El Capitan Way, Las Vegas, NV. 89143) at 8am to carpool to the Rhyolite Ghost Town in Beatty, NV. They plan to be back at the Lowe's by 4:00pm (702-498-3658 Eric's Cell)

PLEASE RSVP TO ATTEND

RSVP today to eroberts@sh-architecture.com

You should bring your own sketch supplies, some water and your water colors (if you'd like). Don't forget some water (to drink), something to sit on (you'll be glad you did!)

A Hat and Sunscreen is a must!!

See you May 20th



Rhyolite Ghost Town



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2017 Western Mountain Region Conference

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AIA National will hold the annual SPEAK UP Advocacy Training in Denver, Colorado on July 19-21.

SPEAK UP is a three day advocacy skills training, with interactive discussions and hands-on learning opportunities to each architects how they can better engage in the legislative and political arenas at the federal, state and local levels. It will bring together AIA members from across the Institute to share winning strategies, learn from political professionals and find new ways to mobilize members to advocate in their communities

IF you have an interest in Legislative Advocacy and protecting the profession then we need to talk to you. Now more than ever, the profession needs AIA members who will SPEAK UP in the political arena and do it effectively. The purpose of this conference is to teach architects how to take action with regard to important legislative issues and how to be an advocate for the profession and your fellow architects.

Attendance is limited. We're looking for individuals who want to make a difference in the world through engaging in the electoral and legislative process.

If you are interested in attending, please contact R. Lavigne, Hon. AIA at rlavigne@aianeveda.org or 702-895-0936



UNLV SCHOOL OF ARCHITECTURE REPORT

GLENN NOWAK, AIA
Graduate Coordinator
Associate Professor of Architecture

The UNLV School of Architecture is wrapping up an incredibly productive year and would like to celebrate the achievements of its students, faculty, staff and extended design community with an end-of-semester event Friday May 5 with afternoon reviews of some of the best student work, followed by an awards ceremony including AIA Scholarship announcements followed by a reception.

Please join us at the School of Architecture on the main campus! Among the highlights for the 2016-2017 academic year, the SoA experienced very positive accreditation visits for both the Landscape and Architecture programs, the launch of the new Masters of Healthcare Interior Design, two major design-build projects are simultaneously underway (The Solar Decathlon and the Mesa Artist Retreat), the SoA hosted a vibrant lecture series and Mayor's Symposium, faculty have advanced their research through publications, presentations, and funded research, and many students have been recognized in national/international competitions and have admirably represented the School at various venues across the country.

Thank you for joining us in recognizing the accomplishments and continued successes of the UNLV School of Architecture!

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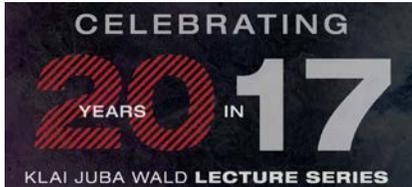
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