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## I AM AIA LAS VEGAS MEMBER SPOTLIGHT

**I am a member of the American Institute of Architects (AIA) because...** Of the outreach and support the AIA provides to both its members and the community at large. As a student in High School I remember our Architectural drafting class participating in the AIA design awards. It was always a goal to win one of the awards or scholarships that the AIA provided. Although I didn't win an award at the time, the fact that the AIA got involved with students at such a young age made a large impact to my thoughts about the organization. Now as a professional, the AIA national and especially our local chapter has proven invaluable with the career center support, AIA documents, CEU opportunities and the local events that help benefit the community such as St. Baldrick's, CANstruction and the AIA Golf Tournament.

I was born and raised in Southwest lower Michigan and moved to Las Vegas in 1994 and I've been here ever since. I attended Cannon Middle School, Silverado High School and completed my undergrad at UNLV. It was while I was attending High School that I met my wife Tessa. Together we have two beautiful daughters, Harper 4, and Reese 2. In my personal time I enjoy a wide range of hobbies from teaching scuba diving, brewing craft beer and customizing vehicles to coaching my daughters U4 soccer team. In my professional life, I started my career in Architecture in 2000 as a runner for Welles-Pugsley Architects. In 2010, after working for three local architectural firms, I joined DWA. While at DWA I was able to complete my Master's degree at Lawrence Technological University in Southfield, Michigan in 2015. Soon after graduation, I started the ARE process in late 2015. During the process both of my daughters were born and the transition from 4.0 to 5.0 took a little longer than I had hoped. Even with all the crazy adventures called life, I was finally able to complete my goal of registration in August 2019. Now a partner at DWA, the hard work has paid off, and as a team we were able to grow the once small firm of only three people to just over twenty of the best staff you could ask for.



RYAN KRONBETER, AIA

**What is the most important thing you've learned?** There are two things that I feel are equally important. The first was how important it was for my professional development as an intern to work for a firm while I was attending school. While college is important in developing design skills, you simply cannot replace the experience a firm offers while working on construction documents and real-world projects firsthand. The second important thing that I have learned that has proven invaluable in my professional career is teamwork and building relationships. Not just teamwork and relationships within the office or design team, but with owners, building officials, and the Contractors. Far too often Architects and Contractors don't have the best relationship with one another, leading to finger pointing at one time or another during the development of a project. Working together as a team hand in hand has been the key to many of my project's successes.

**What is your favorite piece of architecture? Why?** The Kimbell Art Museum by Louis Kahn. Kahn's use of natural lighting, sounds and materials to change the guest experience every time they visit the building is incredible to me. It encourages the guest to visit repeatedly and almost brings the exhibits to life. With sustainability and experiential architecture in the forefront on modern design, Kahn's vision was ahead of its time and still very relevant today.

**Where will you be in 20 years?** In 20 or maybe 25 years.... I plan to be running my own practice and just starting to settle down enough to enjoy spending time with my future grandchildren. With two amazing young daughters, currently two and four and a smart and beautiful wife you quickly realize that there is a need for a healthy work-life balance.

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**If you were to change one thing about our profession today what would it be?** As much as I hate to say it, I would say technology. In this age, we have access to instant information and answers at the tips of our fingers with cell phones, tablets and computers. While this is a great and powerful tool it also has its disadvantages. Clients expect instant answers and often this leads to conclusions and decisions without fully understanding the consequences. Sometimes the best answers are the ones that take time and thought to fully develop. With that being said, if I could change one thing about our profession it would be slowing things down just a little bit.

### SHARE YOUR PROJECT IMAGES ON OUR SOCIAL MEDIA

AIA Architects in Las Vegas are producing some of the most beautiful and innovative architecture in the world. We'd like to highlight and feature these projects on our Social Media platforms. All we need is for you to send us a photo(s) that we can use on Facebook, Twitter, Instagram and Linked In.....to recognize your firm's work. Give us the name of the project....the location....and the name of the firm.

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## AIA LAS VEGAS PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

I wish I could be writing my President's Message under better circumstance. Unfortunately, COVID-19 is changing our world on a daily basis. Many, if not all of us, have been uprooted from or day-to-day lives and well-being to living with social distancing, working from home, washing our hands or using hand sanitizer obsessively, and trying really hard not to constantly touch our face. Recent estimates tell us the average person touches their face 23 times per hour.

As of the end of March, there has been a sharp jump in owners cancelling or delaying construction projects across the country. Moreover, a recent survey found two thirds of architecture firms report slowing or stoppage of projects as a result of COVID-19. Our local AEC industry has been affected in a major way by the pandemic. How deep of an economic slowdown is unknown at this time. Our members are beginning to make challenging business decisions, and many are rightfully concerned for our local economy.

Fortunately, last week President Trump signed into law H.R. 748, the Coronavirus Aid, Relief and Economic Security (CARES) Act bill. This historic legislation provides \$2 trillion of relief to help the millions of workers and businesses impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic. In addition to the direct financial aid for individuals, the legislation provides expansive relief for small and large businesses, including payroll and operational support for small businesses, and loan assistance.

Part of the CARES Act bill allocated \$350 billion to help small businesses keep workers employed during the pandemic and economic decline. An excellent resource for business in southern Nevada is the Vegas Chamber. They have an up-to-date resource webpage with webinars, guides and links to local resources.

AIA National has been working diligently for members as well. Early on, AIA was advocating to Congress on relief for business owners and employees, and infrastructure investment.

In Nevada, AIA Nevada and the Executive Committee wrote a letter to Governor Sisolak and thanked him for his leadership and the tireless work of his administration throughout this COVID-19 crisis. We offered several specific ways in which architects can be of assistance and requested the Governor to designate architecture as an essential business under certain limited circumstances. Feel confident AIA Nevada and AIA Las Vegas are advocating for you and working with local business leaders to provide resources to all our members.

AIA Las Vegas is in the process of creating a webpage for members with local, state and national resources to help all of us caught up in this unprecedented economic downturn. We are working to create online programming and events and will be sharing content for CEU learning. As we hear daily from the media and know all too well now, keep yourselves home as much as possible, wash your hands and/or use hand sanitizer, and limit your contact with groups. The health and well-being of our members and local firms are critically important to AIA Las Vegas. We will make it through this public health crisis and become stronger, more agile and thriving again like it was February 2020. The long history of our organization has taught us we are a strong and resilient group.



LANCE KIRK, AIA

Stay healthy and watch out for your colleagues, neighbors, friends, and family.

Sincerely,

Lance J. Kirk, AIA, LEED AP

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### SHARE YOUR INSIGHTS. BUILD ON THE DATA. TAKE THE SURVEY!

Bias interrupters are tweaks to basic business systems (hiring, performance evaluations, assignments, promotions, compensation, etc.) that interrupt implicit bias in the workplace, often without ever talking about bias. Please take a moment to take this survey and help build the data that is being used to address specific biases in the profession based on research completed by The Center for WorkLife Laws. Click below to take the survey!

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Randy Lavigne, Hon. AIA  
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## WE ARE IN THIS TOGETHER!

AIA Las Vegas has a sixty-four year history of weathering good times and bad. We've enjoyed the high times of a booming economy and we've also suffered anguish when having to make the hard choices of closing firms and letting friends and staff members go during the bad times. Through it all we do what we must do and we persist. AIA architects and design professionals faithfully serve their clients and their communities no matter the circumstance. And so we are here, facing a totally new kind of challenge. What we know about COVID-19 changes daily... almost hourly. It has impacted each of us on many different levels, not only in practice but as family members, friends and community members. We have not faced a national crisis like this before and it has brought changes in how we communicate and transact business.

The AIA Nevada and AIA Las Vegas Chapters are continuing to work to find new ways to keep our members informed, safe and to provide distance learning and virtual meetings and events that will provide value and benefits to you all. Please check the **AIA LV COVID-19 UPDATE** page on the [www.aialasvegas.org](http://www.aialasvegas.org) website. News from AIA National and from the CDC and on the State and Federal levels is happening almost too quickly to keep up. But AIA LV will be posting daily to the website and sending constant contact notices

to keep you informed.

We welcome your suggestions and ideas and hope that you will contact us if we can provide guidance and information to assist through this unusual time. We will continue to reschedule those meetings we've had to postpone, and will keep you advised through our weekly **AIALV THIS WEEK, the FORUM newsletter, the AIA Las Vegas website, and our social media ports. If you haven't already, please "like" and "follow" us on Facebook, Twitter, Linked In, and Instagram.**

Remember that AIA National also offers an abundance of information on the [www.aia.org](http://www.aia.org) site, and AIAU offers online learning programs that provide excellent information as well as C.E. credits.

AIA Architects are entrusted with the responsibility to protect the health, safety and welfare of the public and through rigorous education and experience they acquire the skills to do this effectively. On our members behalf AIA Nevada and AIA Las Vegas have reached out to local, state and federal leaders to offer our collective knowledge and experience as a resource and a tool to combat this pandemic. **Click Here To See the Letter to Governor Sisolak.** There are numerous areas in which architects can provide solutions to these current problems.

- Evaluate vacant or underutilized property for temporary hospitals.
- Design and Deploy quick temporary emergency structures for hospitals and healthcare facilities. (Prefabricated industrial tent structures)
- Assist with planning and feasibility studies
- Serve as a resource advisor
- Identify additional specific opportunities for architects to be of service

AIA Las Vegas and our members stand ready to work together and with others to see us safely through this uncertain time. We're all in this together, and together we can get through it safely.



### WHAT DO YOU HAVE TO SAY?

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, [rlavigne@aianeveda.org](mailto:rlavigne@aianeveda.org)



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## AIA LAS VEGAS MEMBERSHIP MEETINGS

### THE JUNE MEMBERSHIP MEETING IS "GETTING TO ZERO" FEATURING VINCENT MARTINEZ

Continuing with our 2020 focus on "Climate Change: Taking Action to Transform the Practice of Architecture" the special guest speaker for our June Member Meeting is Vincent Martinez, Chief Operating Officer for Architecture 2030. In this presentation, Vincent will guide us through the methods and techniques to reach zero-net-carbon buildings.

Through his 13-year tenure at Architecture 2030, Vincent Martinez has been working to solve the climate crisis by catalyzing global building de-carbonization efforts through the development and activation of robust networks focused on private sector commitments, education, training, and public policies. As COO, Vincent executes Architecture 2030's goals by coordinating their exceptional staff on strategic, impactful projects and programs. Vincent also helps set the organization's vision and currently leads Architecture 2030's work on urban zero-net-carbon buildings and public policy, including the ZERO Code, Achieving Zero framework, and Zero Cities Project with 11 leading US cities.

Vincent was the 2018 Chair of the American Institute of Architects' Energy Leaders Group and is a member of the AIA 2030 Commitment Working Group. He is an honorary member of AIA Seattle and was named an Emerging Leader by the Design Futures Council in 2015.

We are planning for the June Member Meeting to be an IN-PERSON meeting, held at the Springs Preserve, DLC Upper Level Conference Room, on Wednesday, June 17, 2020 at 5:30PM. Welcome reception and networking begin at 5:30PM, and the program will begin at 6:30PM. There is no charge to attend the meeting but we do ask the courtesy of an RSVP so we can plan accordingly. RSVP No-shows will be invoiced \$35. This program will be registered for 1.5 AIA CE HSW's.

Should it be necessary to continue with the No In-Person meetings and social distancing, we will plan to offer this important program through Zoom, and will advise RSVP'd attendees in advance.



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**The AIA Las Vegas February Membership Meeting**

"AIA Framework For Design Excellence" was recorded and is available online at [https://www.youtube.com/watch?time\\_continue=5&v=w7waj9ur53E&feature=emb\\_logo](https://www.youtube.com/watch?time_continue=5&v=w7waj9ur53E&feature=emb_logo)

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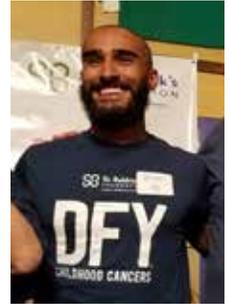


The event was held on March 7, 2020 at McMullan's Irish Pub.

We are very proud that this is the 9th year that Bald By Design has been shaving as a team. This year we had 30 team members that included, Windom, Kimsey, FAIA; Mark Dowell, AIA; Roy Nakamura; Kian Habashi; Mark Hobaica, AIA; Steven Kimsey; Dan Dziedziak; Alex Raffi; Adam Wood; Ralph Trushaw; Joe Schmidt; Gail Sammons; Bill Goodale, Assoc. AIA; Richard Mills; Chirstopher Lujan, AIA; Chirs Connors; Andrew Sheets; Jeffrey St, John; Riana Buckner; Shawn Billings; Clay Rodriguez; Glenn NP Nowak, AIA; Javid Butler; Todd Brautigam, AIA; Ryan Roberts; Steve Travis; Michael Steele-Perkins and Jay Ebersole.

We have raised \$85,000 so far, with more to come from cash raised at the event, and additional commitments, not to mention the funds that will be raised at Clays For A Cause in June. We expect to be close to \$90,000! This will bring the team's total history amount to over \$900,000! Next year, We're shooting for 1 Million!! **We can't do what we do without your support.**

Thank you for all the support and encouragement that the AIA Las Vegas Chapter has provided. See you in 2021!  
Best regards, Phil Ralston,  
Bald By Design Team Captain  
Honorary AIA Las Vegas Allied Member



Before, During and After for Bald By Design Team Member Kian Habashi.



Mark Dowell, AIA; Joe Schmidt and Ralph Trushaw are made Knights Commanders for their 10 years of shaving for St. Baldrick's

Phil Ralston receives an award for being the top fundraiser for 2020



Chris Lujan, AIA identifies the team.



Phil Ralston, Chris Connors, Windom Kimsey, FAIA and Steve Kimsey post shave!



The Bald By Design Team Rocks!



# CLAYS FOR A CAUSE

Presented by Bald By Design

First Annual Sporting Clay tournament  
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NEW DATE

**June 12, 2020**

Registration and breakfast 8am  
Tournament 9am • Lunch to follow



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All proceeds will be going towards the Bald by Design St. Baldrick's team to fund cancer research.  
The St. Baldrick's Foundation is a non-profit 501 (c)3 organization.

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## ART, ARCHITECTURE & DESIGN MONTH

# Art, Architecture & Design Month

## APRIL IS ART, ARCHITECTURE & DESIGN MONTH

Art Architecture & Design Month is a chance to celebrate the art, architecture and design of Las Vegas and those who create it throughout the whole month of April. Las Vegas is a unique city with some of the most interesting and inspiring architecture in the country. AIA Las Vegas, UNLV, AIAS and other community organizations had

scheduled a number of programs and events to celebrate. Unfortunately, due to the COVID-19 outbreak, the events had to be cancelled or postponed. Here is the status of each of the events as of this month.

**April 1-31 – SAY IT LOUD EXHIBIT** – The exhibition features projects by diverse design professionals, as well as quotes and video interviews on their experiences in architecture and design professions. SAY IT LOUD is the activation of a national movement of sharing, protecting and celebrating the journey of the underrepresented to inspire the next generation. On display daily in the UNLV Architecture Studies Library. Opening Reception and program on Monday, April 20 – 6:00PM. **POSTPONED TILL 2021**

**April 1 – InCONVERSATION with UNLV School of Architecture – TR Witcher, assemblageSTUDIO** – Led by Eric Strain, FAIA, an associate professor at the UNLV School of Architecture and Juhl LV's current artist in residence, the inCONVERSATION series brings students and the community at large together to explore the creative arts and it's impact on building community. These events are FREE and open to the public. They will all be held at Juhl Las Vegas (353 E. Bonneville Ave., Las Vegas, NV. 89101) Events begin at 6 p.m. **POSTPONED – NO DATE YET**

**April 3 – AIA First Friday Open House & AIAS Napkin Sketch Exhibit & Silent Auction** – **CANCELLED**

**April 6 – Klai Juba Wald Lecture Series – James Trahan, AIA** – James Trahan, AIA is principal of 180 Degrees, a Phoenix-based design-build firm. He graduated with multiple honors from Louisiana State University and is a past recipient of the AIA Young Architects Award. Since establishing his firm twelve years ago the firm's design-build projects have been published worldwide showcasing the design and construction of unique architecture and space. Meet James and learn more about his unique practice at the UNLV Arch. Studies Library on April 6, at 6:00PM. **POSTPONED TILL 2021**

**April 8 – InCONVERSATION with UNLV School of Architecture – D. Baird, AIA, J. Vermillion, Assoc. AIA, E. Weber, G. Nowak, AIA, and A. de Salvatierra – UNLV School of Architecture** – Led by Eric Strain, FAIA, an associate professor at the UNLV School of Architecture and Juhl LV's current artist in residence, the inCONVERSATION series brings students and the community at large together to explore the creative arts and it's impact on building community. These events are FREE and open to the public. They will all be held at Juhl Las Vegas (353 E. Bonneville Ave., Las Vegas, NV. 89101) Events begin at 6 p.m. **POSTPONED – NO DATE YET**

**April 15 – AIA Las Vegas High School Design Awards** – **CANCELLED**

**April 17 – Clays For A Cause** – AIA Las Vegas Bald By Design presents the First Annual Sporting Clay Tournament benefiting St. Baldrick's and their quest to cure childhood cancer. Get your team together and prove your eagle-eye and steady hand. Sponsorships available. **POSTPONED TILL JUNE**  
[CLICK HERE FOR MORE INFORMATION](#)

**April 19 – Good Deed Spring Brunch** – The Good Deed Project is a nonprofit organization committed to community development. Celebrating five years this year, the spring brunch provides funding for homes and renovations for families in need. Do a good deed by attending and enjoying a beautiful brunch while you browse through the wonderful silent auction items. **POSTPONED NO DATE YET**

**April 20 – Klai Juba Wald Lecture Series – Farahi and Sablan "Emerging Voices" Lectures + "Say It Loud" Exhibition**  
Behnaz Farahi is an LA based designer, who explores the relationship between the human body and the space around it. Her work addresses such issues as emotion, bodily perception and social interaction.  
Pascale Sablan, AIA, is a senior associate at S9architecture in New York and founder and executive director of *Beyond The Built Environment*.  
UNLV Architecture Studies Library at 6:00PM. **POSTPONED TILL 2021**

**April 22 – Women In Architecture Meeting** – Enjoy meeting, networking and getting to know the diverse women who are the Women in Architecture in Las Vegas. This is a special informal meeting for those who are involved in the design, architecture and construction industries, or who just have a passion for design. Noted guest speakers and shared ideas and inspirations. AIA Las Vegas Chapter Office 1131 S. Casino Center Blvd., LVNV 5:30PM – **POSTPONED – NO DATE YET**

**April 24 – AIAS Spaghetti Dinner** – **CANCELLED**

**April 27 – Klai Juba Wald Lecture Series – Michelle Delk, ASLA – Snohetta** – Michelle Delk, is partner, Discipline Director of Landscape at Snohetta. (Landscape) Snohetta began as a collaborative architectural and landscape workshop, and has remained true to its trans-disciplinary way of thinking since its inception. Human interaction shapes the spaces the firm designs and how they operate. Learn more about this acclaimed international firm and specific approach to Landscape design. On April 27 at the UNLV Architecture Studies Library at 6:00PM. **POSTPONED TILL 2021**



# AIA LAS VEGAS GOLF TOURNAMENT

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# AIA LAS VEGAS PRODUCT SHOW



## ANNOUNCING THE 2020 AIA Las Vegas “LEARN ABOUT / TURN ABOUT” PRODUCT SHOW

Sponsored by SunStone Building Specialties / Modernfold

Wednesday, September 2nd at the Westgate Hotel & Casino

### EXHIBITORS

#### Got Something To Show Us?

Exhibit space is Available - \$800 ea

Exhibit Space is 10' wide by 10" deep

Pipe and drape construction, comes with a table and two chairs

Electricity is \$150

#### Got Something To Teach Us?

Continuing Education Class Slots are still available

\$400 ea

#### Got Something To Tell Us?

Turn About Luncheon Slots are still available too!

\$200 ea

### ATTENDEES

#### In The CE Classes

Continuing Education HSW Credits

Includes Lunch!

(registration open August 1st)

#### At The Product Show

Free Attendance - No Need to RSVP

Bring your friends & Lots of Business Cards

Goodie Bag

Lots of terrific door prizes, including cold, hard cash (!)

Hors d' oeuvres

Drinks

Mixing and Mingling with the Architectural Community!

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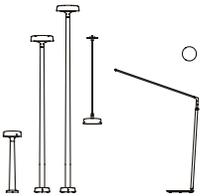
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On March 13, we held the 9th Annual SoA Career Fair event at the School of Architecture. We would like to thank our local partners for their participation and time speaking with our students and future graduates who will soon join the profession. This year, 14 architectural practices participated and made this a very successful event (see photo). Thank you!

I believe it's important to inspire and communicate a positive future of our profession to these young graduates, and show that there is a place for them to contribute in their own way to the future of Southern Nevada's architecture and rapid urbanization.

Architecture is a discipline that brings people together. Once the current pandemic is over and life goes back to "normal", we will be able to enjoy again our public spaces for gathering and outdoor activities.

Architecture also helps us become citizens, not just consumers. The role of architecture in society is immense if we think about what it can achieve in terms of positive impact if done well. At the end of the day, the identity of a society lies also in the quality of the projects it formulates for its future.

The theme of the 27th World Congress of Architects UIA 2021 to be held in July 2021 in Rio de Janeiro (Brazil), is: "All the Worlds. Just one World. Architecture 21" (postponed from July 2020). The theme highlights the urban reality of the contemporary world and the potential role of Architecture. It also expresses the diversity and multiplicity of urban forms and modes of production of cities and buildings.

The organizers of the UIA World Congress note:

*"There are many urban worlds requiring specific attention, for which Architecture, in its large dimension, has responsibility, never too exaggerated. Our actions of planning, design and construction are of interest to all these worlds and to each one have repercussions. We all live in one era. Just one world. In this context, architecture enriches its experience without dogmas. It stimulates the diversity of modes of intervention, the symbiosis between popular culture and that of the architects, the production of the new city of tolerance and recognition of countless contributions and preexistences."* -- See you at UIA 2021 in Rio de Janeiro!



The rapid spread of the Covid-19 virus has created unprecedented circumstances. Promoting the health and safety of our students, faculty, staff and community, UNLV made the decision to enact online teaching to greatly reduce the gathering of people on campus.

Unfortunately it was necessary to cancel the remaining lectures of our Spring 2020 KJW Lecture Series.

On March 12, 2020, UNLV Interim President Marta Meana decided in the abundance of caution to move classes online. With UNLV deciding to move to digital instruction, the remote delivery of courses was a new experience for all of us, and we framed this as an opportunity to explore new learning experiences and ways of sharing. Faculty have found innovative ways to customize and fine-tune

technologies such as Zoom, WebEx, and others to their own specific course needs, ensuring the delivery of high-quality teaching and learning, reflecting their individual pedagogic philosophies.

I hope you and your family are well during these challenging times!

More information on the School of Architecture can be found here: [www.unlv.edu/architecture](http://www.unlv.edu/architecture)

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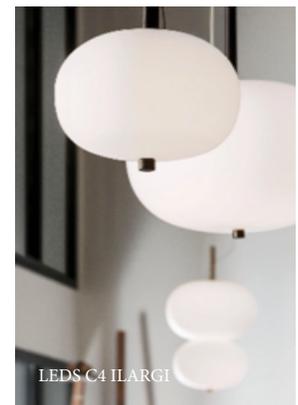
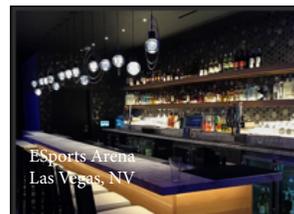
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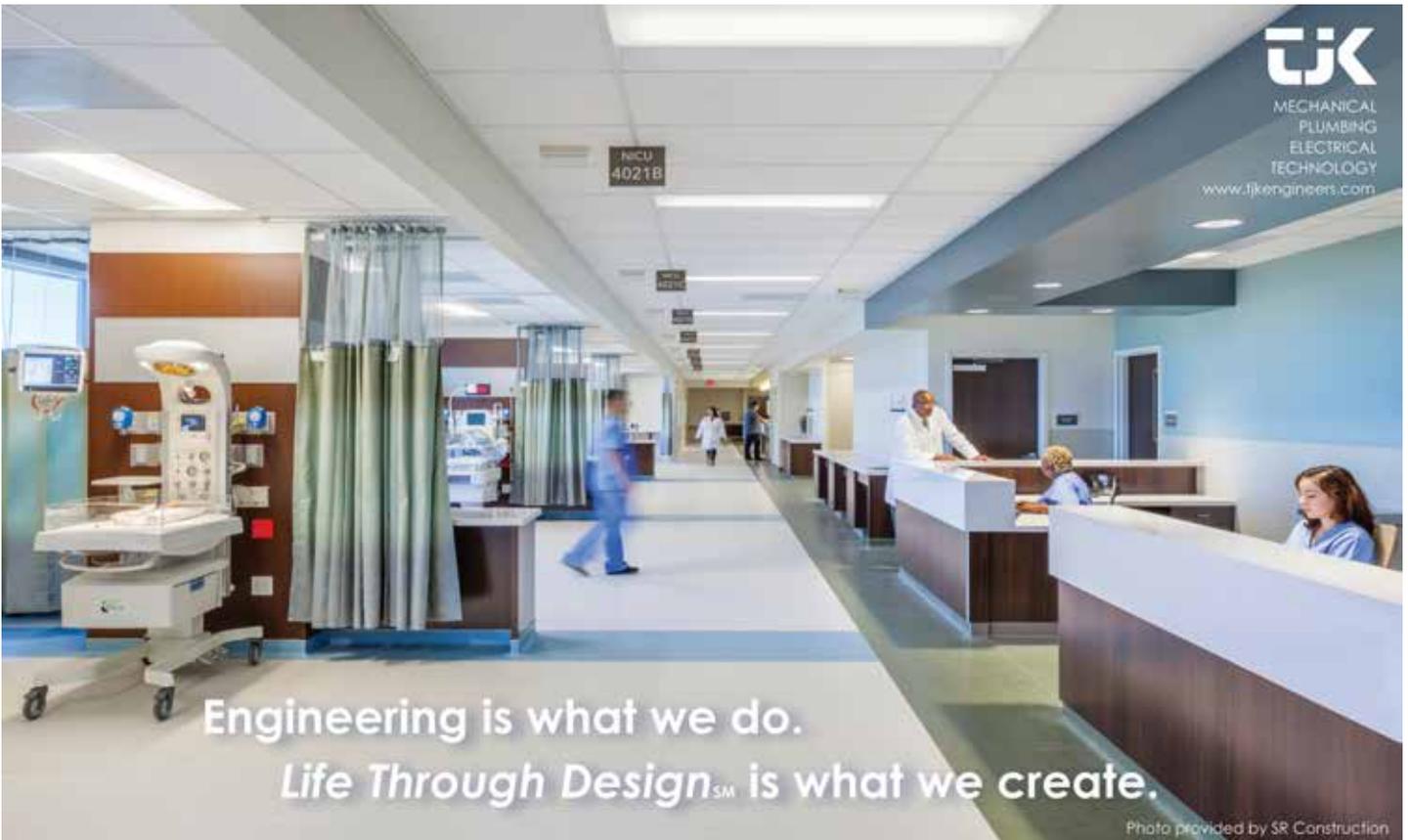
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You should bring your own sketch supplies, some water and your water colors (if you'd like). Don't forget some money for coffee, something to sit on (you'll be glad you did)! A jacket and hat would be handy and sunscreen is still a must!!

**See you On Saturday, May 9th!**



Nevada State Railroad Museum by AIA LV Urban Sketcher Barbara Weisenburg



### URBAN SKETCHERS PAT SOUTHERN-PEARCE WORKSHOP SCHEDULED FOR MAY 17TH AND 18TH

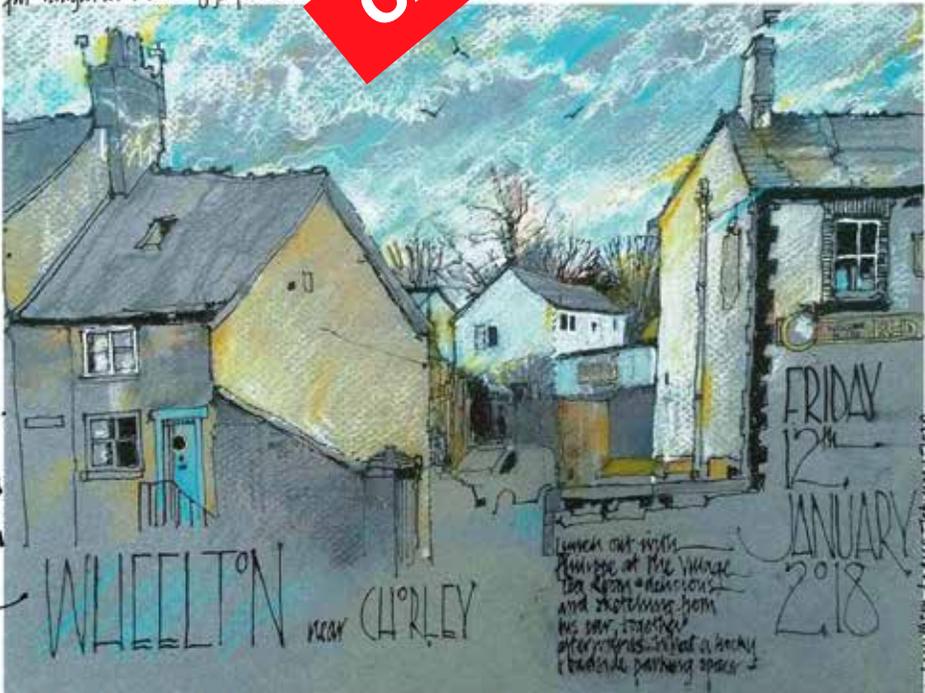
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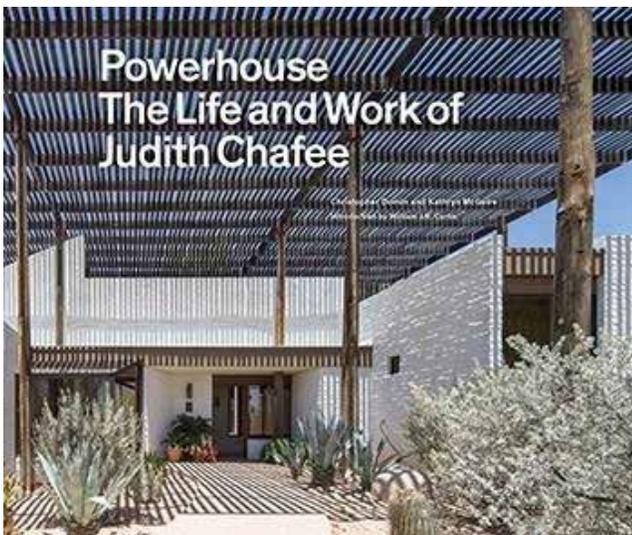
## NOTABLE APRIL READS!

The current unprecedented professional challenges brought on by the coronavirus outbreak only highlight the need to grow and nurture our community of women leaders. It is our goal to yield reverberating positive results for the individual women in our group and the

entire Las Vegas design and construction industry community as a whole.

We regret not being in a position to lock in on the date for the next Women in Architecture group meeting, in the meantime I would like to suggest notable books, current articles, websites, blogs and links to inspiration and insight on the historical accomplishments of women in architecture plus impressive news and articles on woman currently exhibiting leadership in the design and construction industry.

- Our National AIA Website ( <https://www.aia.org/> ) currently hosts two links of utmost relevance. An Architect's Guide to Virtual Practice <https://www.theaiatrust.com/an-architects-guide-to-virtual-practice/> and COVID-19 Member resources <https://www.aia.org/pages/6280670-covid-19-member-resources->
- As we see Women's History Month come to a close, we can celebrate and learn more about the life of Tucson, AZ architect Judith Chafee (1932-1998) and her career long focus on Desert Modernism. Her incredible work has direct relevance to our Las Vegas and Nevada climate and conditions. You may be interested in the links to Architect magazine article and book below ( [https://www.architectmagazine.com/design/exhibits-books-etc/pioneering-architect-judith-chafee-and-her-unique-desert-modernism-are-the-subject-of-a-new-book\\_o](https://www.architectmagazine.com/design/exhibits-books-etc/pioneering-architect-judith-chafee-and-her-unique-desert-modernism-are-the-subject-of-a-new-book_o) ) and the new book:
- Powerhouse: The Life and Work of Architect Judith Chafee (Princeton Architectural Press), by Christopher Domin and Kathryn McGuire



- The Madame Architect Website by Julia Gamolina is both a treat and an invaluable resource ( <https://www.madamearchitect.org/> ) I continue to highly recommend this website's content. It is not only filled with numerous examples of female exemplars in architecture and related industries and their inspiring stories, the website itself is a example of an extremely high quality website with stunning photography and engaging stories. Julia is a young woman already making a notable contribution to the architectural community in her own unique and invaluable way.
- This month in Madame Architect learn more about these four of groundbreaking women:
  - \* [Tools & Tiaras: Judaline Cassidy on Working in Construction, Starting a Non-Profit, and Building Confidence in Girls](#)
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  - \* [A Broader Vision: MVRDV's Nathalie de Vries on Running a Business, Reinventing Practice, and Leading by Example](#)
  - \* [Power to Move Forward: Frances Halsband on Giving Back, Staying in Touch, and Ethical Behavior.](#) *Awesome photo included in this article of Frances at 1990 dinner honoring Philp Johnson:*



- Seriously consider 'bookmarking' this NY Times regular section on Womens' interests called **In her words:** <https://www.nytimes.com/series/in-her-words>
  - \* This current link includes an article on the additional new roles and challenges women are facing during the Coronavirus outbreak written By Francesca Donner and Corinne Purtill. <https://www.nytimes.com/2020/03/19/us/work-from-home-mothers-coronavirus-covid19.html>

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### AIA LAS VEGAS EDUCATIONAL OUTREACH COMMITTEE

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As with many other responses to this COVID-19 virus our committee's planned activities have been disrupted. Clark County School Districts decision to close their schools for an unspecified length of time has postponed or cancelled scheduled school

presentations, the architectural bus tour, and school career fairs that had been schedule for this school year.

I want to thank those who volunteered to participate in these events and hope to continue when the schools are back on line. The planned activities that have been cancelled until further notice are:

3/23/2020- Architectural presentation to students at Valley High School. Thank you Mike Del Gatto, AIA and Wade Simpson, AIA for agreeing to participate. Hopefully your schedules will allow you to reschedule this when the school re-opens and allows visitors back on campus.

4/22/2020- Career Day at Foothill High School. This career fair was to offer 1500 Junior and Senior students a chance to visit and discuss future alternatives to their futures. Thank you Stacey Hatfield for agreeing to participate with me. Lisa Mendez, Career Center Specialist, will keep our contact information and let us know if and when the next opportunity becomes available.

4/30/2020- Architectural Bus Tour with Valley High School. As this tour was taking shape and Randy made contact with the four site's representatives it became more and more exciting. Thank you Glenn Nowak, AIA for volunteering to provide commentary along the drive along the Las Vegas Strip. Thank you also to Meggan Holzer (Clark County Government Center), the Docents (Cleveland Clinic Lou Ruvo Center for Brain Health), Cain Brodie, Director of Marketing (World Market Center) and Claudia Newberry, docent (Smith Center for Performing Arts).

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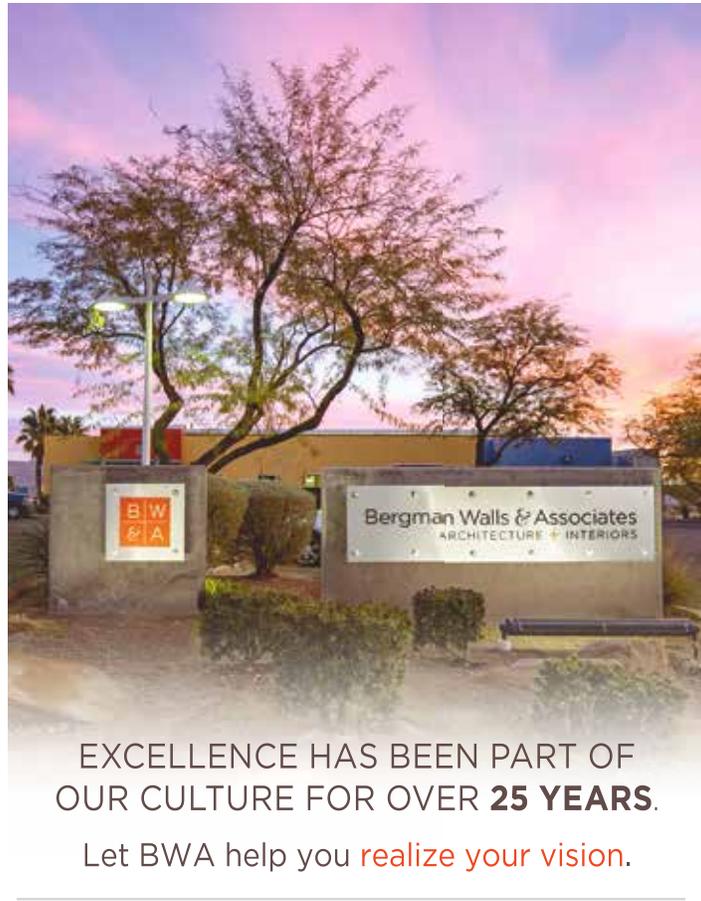
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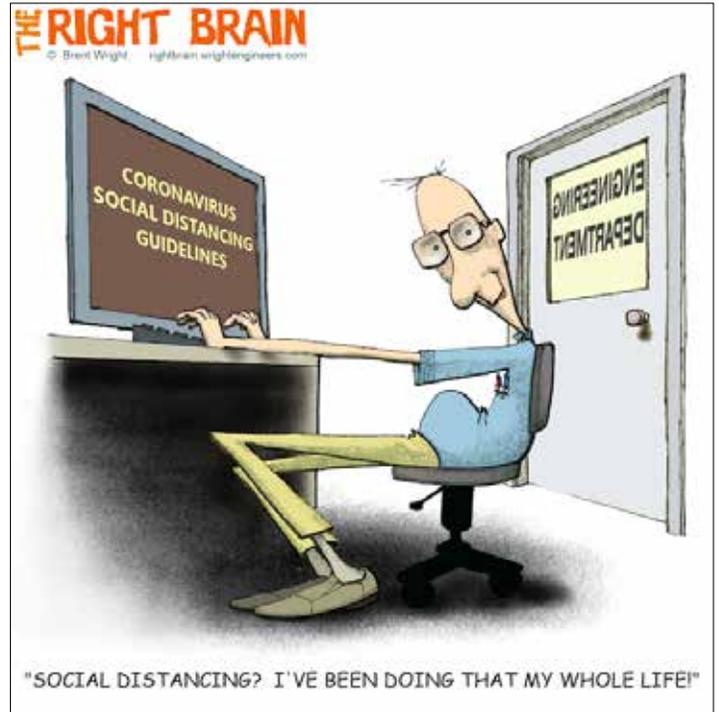
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Due to COVID-19  
All public events scheduled for  
April and May 2020 have been  
postponed or cancelled.

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Social Media Outlets to keep up  
on the latest information about  
The Chapter.

16  
AIA NV ExCom Meeting  
via Conference Call or ZOOM

21  
AIA LV Board Meeting  
via Conference Call or ZOOM

# MAY

9  
Urban Sketchers

10  
Mother's Day

11  
AIA Las Vegas Golf Tournament  
*Postponed till Sept. 14th 2020*

19  
AIA LV Board Meeting  
via Conference Call or ZOOM

21  
AIA NV ExCom Meeting  
via Conference Call or ZOOM

28  
AIA NV / NSBAIDRD Seminar  
Reno, NV  
*Postponed till July 2020*

# JUN

12  
Clays For A Cause  
benefitting St. Baldrick's

13  
Urban Sketchers

16  
AIA LV Board Meeting

17  
AIA LV Membership Meeting

18  
AIA NV ExCom Meeting

21  
Father's Day