

NOVEMBER 10-13, 2015
 Minneapolis Convention Center

CREATIVE DISRUPTION

2015 AIA Minnesota Convention & Product Exposition

Celebrating the **81st annual Convention & Exposition**, AIA Minnesota invites you to join us and attend engaging programs and keynote presentations. Explore the free Exhibit Hall packed with products, services, activities, and information. Each year we consistently attract 2,000+ attendees, offering exceptional programs and providing opportunities to network with state-of-the-art exhibiting companies. Minnesota architects and building industry professionals attend the annual Convention and Expo to learn about trends and new technologies in building products and earn continuing education credits by attending seminars.

Convention Keynotes

Tuesday, November 10

MEMBER CONGRESS KEYNOTE ADDRESS

Russell Davidson, FAIA, is AIA First Vice President/2016 AIA President. Davidson is principal/president of KG&D Architects PC in Mount Kisco, New York. He has 20 years of experience in planning educational, religious, and municipal facilities, and an extensive knowledge of architecture markets and trends. He is a past president of AIA New York State and of AIA Westchester Mid-Hudson, and served as AIA National Vice-President.



KICK-OFF KEYNOTE ADDRESS

Evolving Multicultural Modernism

Steven Ehrlich, FAIA, is Founding Partner of Ehrlich Architects in Los Angeles – the 2015 AIA National Firm Award winner. This keynote address will explore Multicultural Modernism, the marriage of the particular with the universal, and the hallmark of Ehrlich Architects' design approach. The approach interweaves the connections between culture, climate, people, and place, and advances these notions with sustainable innovations, advanced computer technologies, and alternative delivery approaches. <http://www.ehrlicharchitects.com>



Wednesday, November 11

Architectural Consequences of the 20th Century City

Preston Scott Cohen is the Gerald M. McCue Professor at Harvard University Graduate School of Design, and Principal of Preston Scott Cohen, Inc. of Cambridge, MA. This keynote address will assess the architectural effects of 20th century gridiron urbanization. In contrast to the city's growth horizontally, architectural space developed vertically. Canonic precedents and new projects by Preston Scott Cohen, Inc. will be presented as exemplars. <http://www.pscohen.com>



Thursday, November 12

JURORS SHOW AND TELL

Co-sponsored by the AIA Minnesota Committee on Design

This keynote address features three architects, serving as this year's AIA Minnesota Honor Award jurors, who will each speak of their practice and unique projects through a presentation of their work.

Paul Mankins, FAIA, Principal at substance architecture in Des Moines, is widely regarded as one of the leading design practitioners in the Midwest. During the last three decades, he has directed the design of significant corporate, residential, civic, and higher education facilities that have been recognized with more than 90 design awards.



Edward A. Vance, FAIA, is the Founder and Design Principal of EV&A Architects, a specialty design firm serving the hospitality, commercial, and health care industries. For 32 years Vance has served his clients, his community, and the profession of architecture. Design excellence has led to numerous design awards and significant commissions.



Our third juror will be named shortly. Information will be provided on the AIA Minnesota website when acceptance of our invitation is confirmed.

Friday, November 13

CLOSING KEYNOTE ADDRESS

Telling Tales: Creative Change and Disruptive Leadership

Kaywin Feldman has been the Duncan and Nivin MacMillan Director and President of the Minneapolis Institute of Art (Mia) since 2008. Drawing on more than 20 years of experience in leading institutional change, Feldman will discuss the leadership challenges and opportunities occurring in today's dynamic world. She will lead us on the creative and often disruptive journey of change management and describe the plot twists, humor, and robust characters that often help shape a successful leadership story.



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