

Leadership Forum Application

Program Description

The Leadership Forum develops and fosters leadership skills of mid-career AIA Minnesota member architects. The primary areas of focus include:

- Developing and strengthening a participant's understanding of and skills in the following areas: leadership styles and values; self-awareness; intercultural development; communication; motivation and engagement; leadership case studies; future trends and advocacy; and application and implementation
- Creating a network of diverse professionals focused on leadership development

2022 Leadership Forum Graduate Testimonials

"I was excited for the learning opportunities the program was going to provide, but what I did not anticipate was the level of self-reflection that was going to be integral to the program. I learned a lot about both leadership and myself throughout."

"Leadership Forum really made me question what I was doing and challenged me to think about how I could more fully live out my values. It helped me identify how I could be a better leader not only within my firm but also the profession."

"I have a hard time identifying myself as leader, but I hold strong to the identity of architect. Connecting the qualities of a "great architect" to that of a good leader really helped me personally start to see how I embody some of those qualities."

2023 Forum Session Schedule (TENTATIVE)

January 11: Coffee Talk: Getting to Know Your Cohort

January 18: Defining Leadership and Cultivating Change. Knowing and Using Your Strengths to Lead

February 15: Foundations of Intercultural Development

March 15: Leadership and Communication

April 19: Building Trust and Engagement

May 17: Leadership Stories. Living Our Values

June 21: Leadership and Advocacy: What is Your Story? Motivation to Lead

July 12: Keynote and Reflecting and Charting Your Path Forward

July 18: Touchpoint group share. Celebration Reception

All dates are full day sessions except January 11, July 12 and July 18.

Program Requirements

- Candidates **must be** an AIA Minnesota or MSP NOMA member
- License is **not** required
- Minimum of 10 years' industry experience **is required**

Tuition is \$750 (scholarships are available)

Participation is limited to 16 people

Selected participants are expected to attend all scheduled sessions and complete all homework

Important Dates

December 9, 2022 Applications due

January 20, 2023 \$750 tuition due

Application Requirements

Candidates must submit the following in addition to completing this application:

- **Personal Letter of Interest:** Each candidate must submit a Personal Letter of Interest articulating their interest in and commitment to developing their leadership skills. Please address letters to Leadership Forum Selection Committee.
- **Letter of Recommendation:** Candidates must submit one letter of recommendation describing why the applicant has the potential to be a leader in the architectural profession and how his/her leadership could benefit the community. Please address letters to Leadership Forum Selection Committee.



Entry name

Candidate Information

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Candidate's Name

Enter the full name of the candidate.

Memberships (check all that apply):

I am an AIA member

I am a MSP NOMA member

Candidate's AIA Member Number (if applicable) (optional)

Candidate Address

Candidate's Email Address

Candidate's Phone Number

Work History

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Current Firm Name

Current Firm Address

Business Phone Number

Current Job Title

Date your employment began

Please provide date of BArch or MArch and relevant work history and dates.

10000 words

Accomplishments & Goals

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Organizations and Activities

250 words

Please list architectural, community, civic, professional, business, religious, social, athletic, and other organizations of which you are or have been a member. Provide dates of memberships or involvement and your role or title.

Influential Experiences

250 words

Please identify professional and personal accomplishments, conflicts, loss, struggles, etc. that have helped shape your path to leadership.

What are your leadership goals including specific skills or knowledge you hope to gain from participating in the AIA Minnesota Leadership Forum?

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Applicant Agreement

By checking this box, I certify that I understand the \$750 tuition requirement and the expectation to attend all scheduled sessions from the AIA Minnesota Leadership Forum and agree to fulfill those requirements if selected. I am a current member of AIA Minnesota and/or NOMA and will continue to be a member in good standing for the duration of the program.

Applicant Agreement

By checking this box, I certify that I understand that Leadership Forum content supports AIA Minnesota's core values of Authenticity, Equity, Collaboration, and Integrity. I understand that some content and discussions may be difficult. I agree to participate in discussions with respect for all participating. I understand that Leadership Forum sessions are a safe place and agree to keep all discussions confidential.

Do you need a scholarship in order to participate?

Yes

No

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Personal Letter of Interest



Please submit letter in PDF format.

Letter of Recommendation



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