Writing the final column of the year is always daunting - this year, especially so. As I said to those assembled at the Member Congress in November, we knew going into 2019 that it would be a "live through this" kind of year; we had so many special projects lined up that just getting it all done, much less to the high standards we always strive toward, was going to be a feat. It was a tremendously successful year - we lived to tell the tale, and we can feel really good about the difference we've made for this great architecture community and for the broader public.

I'm tempted to call 2019 the "year of the volunteer" because of the many, many ways we asked members of the architecture community to get involved, and the many, many individuals who said "yes." 2020 also promises to be a year where AIA Minnesota member engagement will make the difference in whether our long list of projects is workable and in the quality of our execution. So, thank you - thank you for stepping up in 2019, and in advance for doing so in 2020.
If I tried to describe and do justice to each and every effort of the past year, and those that are planned for the year ahead, it would be far too long a document - I would lose the vast majority of you who are reading this. Instead, we'll keep it simple. Know that for every one of the projects, efforts and events listed, there is an amazing staff team and a core group of AIA Minnesota members making it happen. Read more »

CALL TO ACTION

Last Day to Get Your Tickets for the 2019 Awards Celebration

Friday, December 6, 6:00 pm
International Market Square

Join us to celebrate the best of Minnesota architecture in 2019, including recipients of the Firm Award, Honor Awards, Young Architect Awards, Special Awards, Louis Lundgren Award for Service, and more!

This year's event continues the updated format debuted in 2018 where we'll focus on celebrating our vibrant local design community throughout the evening. An hors d'oeuvre and dessert buffet will be offered along with beverages of all kinds. Tickets are $45 per person. Last day of ticket sales is Monday, December 2. Purchase tickets »

St. Paul Heritage Preservation Commission Guidelines Feedback Requested

The Saint Paul Heritage Preservation Commission (HPC) seeks feedback from AIA Minnesota members on their draft New Construction Guidelines for locally designated historic districts and sites in Saint Paul.
In 2018 and early 2019, the HPC held several public listening sessions regarding its preservation program. Some of the biggest issues raised included the lack of clear guidelines for local historic districts and sites, consideration of modern materials and energy efficiency measures, and requests for more dynamic and creative new construction. From these sessions, the HPC has adopted a workplan to address these issues starting with New Construction Guidelines. The HPC's goals are to create or update guidelines that are equitable for all residents, encourage sustainable opportunities, are easy to understand, and simple to use.

The HPC's draft New Construction Guidelines apply to both commercial and residential properties subject to Heritage Preservation Commission review within the City of Saint Paul. AIA Minnesota members will be one of the most affected and influential stakeholders in the implementation of these New Construction Guidelines.

The HPC invites AIA members to comment on the draft New Construction Guidelines language. Please direct comments and questions to George Gause, Historic Preservation Supervisor with the City of St. Paul Planning & Economic Development Department, by Monday, December 2, 2019. He can be reached by phone at 651-266-6714.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

2019 Honor Awards

Left to right: Goose Creek Safety Rest Area, Foraged Boathouse, KNOCK, Inc., Derby Line I-91 Land Port of Entry, Minnehaha Academy Upper Campus, Macalester College Janet Wallace Fine Arts Center, Rothe Amundson

2019 Honor Awards Announced at A'19MN

AIA Minnesota honored seven projects with 2019 AIA Minnesota Honor Awards. The awards were announced at the A'19 MN Minnesota Conference on Architecture. The Honor Awards recognize outstanding architecture and urban design by AIA Minnesota members and Minnesota member firms. Read more »
CONGRATULATIONS TO NEWLY LICENSED ARCHITECTS

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2020 LAKE SUPERIOR DESIGN RETREAT

Find inspiration at the 32nd Annual Lake Superior Design Retreat February 28-29, 2020 at Fitger's Inn in Duluth. Have you marked your calendar yet?

Registration opens soon; keep an eye on AIA Minnesota emails and social media for registration details.

Confirmed Speakers to Date:

- Kathy McTavish, Duluth-based composer, coder, and media artist (newly confirmed)
- Francis D.K. Chig, architect, author, and University of Washington professor emeritus (newly confirmed)
- Matt Jenkins and Karen "Rudy" Rudolph, the artisan blacksmiths behind Winnipeg's Cloverdale Forge
- Lucia Watson, award-winning chef and owner of the former Lucia's Restaurant, Wine Bar, and To Go restaurants in Minneapolis

LSDR 2020 sponsorship opportunities available. Read more »

A’19 MN CONFERENCE ON ARCHITECTURE

CONFERENCE ATTENDANCE VERIFICATION FORMS
Did you forget to complete your Attendance Verification Form at A’19 MN? You still can. Visit A’19 Attendance Verification for links to the online or PDF options for reporting.

CONFERENCE CREDITS RECORDED BY YEAR END
Staff are preparing spreadsheets of credits from A’19 MN for electronic upload to AIA member transcripts. Our goal is to complete the upload by December 31, 2019.

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS ONLINE
AIA Minnesota has invited A’19 MN speakers to post their presentations, notes, and handouts on our website. As we receive them from those who are willing to share their materials we will post them here.

THANKS TO OUR EXHIBITORS!
Thank you! Your contributions helped us make this conference one of our best ever. See the complete list of sponsors on page 7 and the directory of exhibitors starting on page 50 in the conference program to connect for products and services.

MINNESOTA ARCHITECTURAL FOUNDATION RAFFLE
The Minnesota Architectural Foundation would like to thank all who participated in this year’s raffle, purchased art in the silent auction, or made contributions in support of our scholarships. We successfully raised more than $18,500 to support these much-needed funds. MAF is grateful for your contributions. Congratulations to our 2019 raffle winners!

PEOPLE & FIRMS
Daniel Abeln, AIA, was appointed to lead the healthcare team at LEO A DALY's Minneapolis studio.

Stephen Bellairs, AIA, joined DLR Group in the architecture group.

Steve Berg, AIA, has been made principal and part of the leadership team at BWBR.

Carly Coulson, AIA, of COULSON, was honored with a BUILDINGS OF EXCELLENCE award by NYSERDA for her zero-energy, zero-water multifamily project The Seventy-Six in Albany, New York. Read more »

Alan Howell, AIA, of the Metropolitan Airports Commission, was recognized as a "Disruptor" by AARP and Pollen in the 50 over 50 program, honoring Minnesotans for their impact on the world. Read more »

Nathan Kaye, Assoc. AIA, joined DLR Group in the architecture group.

Nate Miller, AIA, was named architecture principal at DLR Group.

Heather Novak-Peterson, Assoc. AIA, joined HGA Architects and Engineers as senior environmental graphic designer and associate vice president in Minneapolis.

Matt Streed, AIA, was named architecture principal at DLR Group.

Jens Vange, AIA, of Alliiance, was recognized as a "Disruptor" by AARP and Pollen in the 50 over 50 program, honoring Minnesotans for their impact on the world. Read more »

Ed Wilms, AIA, has been named global hospitality studio leader at DLR Group.

WELCOME OUR NEWEST MEMBERS!

Adam Barnstorff, Assoc. AIA
Brooke Jacobson, AIA
Gauri Kelkar, Assoc. AIA

Ricky Tejeda, Assoc. AIA
Jihyoon Yoon, Assoc. AIA

NATIONAL & LOCAL CHAPTER UPDATES

AIA NATIONAL
PREVIEW NEW AIA CONSTRUCTION MANAGER AS ADVISER DOCUMENTS
Tuesday, December 3
Webinar (register) »
Join a free webinar to explore the newly revised 2019 AIA Construction Manager as Adviser (CMa) documents. Learn about the contractual relationships set forth in these agreements and how to properly allocate risks and responsibilities to benefit all project participants, building inhabitants and the general public. 1 LU provided.

2019 COMPENSATION REPORT AVAILABLE
The 2019 AIA Compensation Report was released. Members can get more information, purchase the entire report and use the updated salary calculator on the compensation survey landing page. Stop by the AIA Minnesota office to view the West North Central Region portion of the report.

MEMBER PROFILE
Update your contact preferences, education, licenses, career, and contact information online. Visit myprofile.aia.org.

AIA MINNEAPOLIS

FELLOWSHIP RECOGNITION LUNCH AND VOTING OF OFFICERS
Thursday, December 19, 11:45 am
Parallel Cafe, Holden Room
Enjoy a festive lunch with colleagues and hear from the AIA Minnesota members inducted into Fellowship in 2019: Kim Bretheim, FAIA; Tom Hoskins, FAIA; Tom Hysell, FAIA; and Jack Poling, FAIA. Members will also vote to approve the 2020 slate of Board of Directors candidates. Register today »

MINNEAPOLIS HERITAGE PRESERVATION AWARDS
The Minneapolis Heritage Preservation Award call for entries will be issued in early January 2020. The Awards Celebration will be on Thursday, February 27, 2020. Award categories will include projects involving preservation, restoration, adaptive reuse, new construction in historical districts, advocacy, education, career achievement for an individual, and the coveted Preservation Gem Award, which recognizes a single masterfully completed small project or detail. Watch for more details »

HELP PLAN DOORS OPEN MINNEAPOLIS 2020 (MAY 16-17)
Doors Open Minneapolis is happening again in 2020! The venue committee is looking for volunteers to help plan the selection of buildings and organize categories to tell the stories of selected buildings, as well as develop a workforce feature within the building groups. We are also recruiting subject matter experts and program committee volunteers. Interested in getting more involved in Doors Open? Contact Jill Winkler, AIA, by Friday, December 6 for the venue
committee, and Ann Mayhew for all other volunteer opportunities (no deadline).

AIA NORTHERN MINNESOTA

AELSLAGID UPDATE
Tuesday, December 3
LHB Corp. Duluth
Join AELSLAGID executive director Doreen Johnson for an update on what's new with the licensing board. The presentation will include changes to the Code of Conduct, Continuing Education Audit Results, and laws related to architects and licensure. Remote participation available. Register »

2019 COMMUNITY BUILDER AWARD
Congratulations to Tony Mancuso, Director of Property Management for St. Louis County, selected as the 2019 recipient of the AIA Northern Community Builder Award. Read more »

AIA ST. PAUL

2019 ST. PAUL PRIZE DESIGN COMPETITION WINNERS ANNOUNCED
AIA St. Paul is pleased to announce that the team of Adam Lapacz, Assoc. AIA, and Chirag Khurana, both of Pope Architects, was awarded first place and $1,500 for the 2020 St. Paul Prize Design Competition. Honorable mention was awarded to Zach Kern, Assoc. AIA. Learn more »

CONTINUING EDUCATION

MINNESOTA LICENSE RENEWALS ARE DUE JUNE 30, 2020
Architects must have 24 Professional Development Hours (PDHs) earned between July 1, 2018 and June 30, 2020 to renew their license to practice architecture in Minnesota. Two of those 24 PDHs must focus on professional ethics. Visit the AELSLAGID website for details on managing your license.

UPCOMING CE PROGRAMMING
AIA Minnesota is scheduling additional face-to-face HSW programs in the first six months of 2020 to help you get the 24 hours you need to renew your license by June 30. Programs under consideration include:
- The Accessible Restroom
- Existing Building Projects
- 2012 IBC to the 2018 IBC
- Minnesota Amendments to the 2018 IBC
- Minnesota Amendments to the Minnesota Accessibility Code
- Ethics

NEW ON-DEMAND WEBINARS
Four new on-demand webinars from the A’19 MN Conference will be available soon. Webinars from recent conferences are already available. Learn more »

COMMITTEE AND KNOWLEDGE COMMUNITY UPDATES

ARCHITECT LICENSING ADVISORY COMMITTEE

AIA MINNESOTA 2020 ARE SCHOLARSHIP
Applications are due at 5:00 pm on Friday, January 17, 2020
The AIA Minnesota Architect Licensing Advisory Committee coordinates awarding a scholarship to an AIA Minnesota Associate member to cover the costs of all sections of the Architect Registration Exam, within the parameters defined in the application. Test fees for all 6 sections of the 5.0 exam are $1,470. Learn more »

ARCHITECTURE IN THE SCHOOLS COMMITTEE

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY: GIRL SCOUTS
Saturday, December 14, 9:00 am - 12:00 pm
Reede Gray Elementary School, Redwood Falls
Calling all former Girl Scouts! Volunteers are needed to provide guidance to K-1 aged girls who will learn how to design and build a model house or business for an imaginary client during a morning workshop. Learn more »

BUILDING CODES KNOWLEDGE COMMUNITY

STRATEGIC PLANNING FOR 2020 and OPEN FORUM DISCUSSION
Wednesday, December 11, 12:00
AIA Minnesota Meeting Room

COMMITTEE ON EQUITY, DIVERSITY, AND INCLUSION

GUIDES TO EQUITABLE PRACTICE LIVE DISCUSSION
Friday, December 13, 8:30 am
Mill City Museum
Want to dig into the AIA Guides to Equitable Practice but aren't sure how to begin? Join a discussion about Chapter 1 of the Guides, addressing intercultural competence and unconscious bias. Free to attend; refreshments provided. Space is limited! Sign up »

COUNCIL OF FIRMS KNOWLEDGE COMMUNITY

MAPAC OVERVIEW
Wednesday December 4, 11:30 am
Mead & Hunt, Inc.
Join us for an overview of the Minnesota Architects Political Action Committee (MAPAC) goals and discussion of how this work impacts you and the profession of architecture.

EMERGING PROFESSIONALS COMMITTEE

LICENSURE LUAU AND EPC FIRM TOUR
Thursday, December 19, 5:30 pm
RSP Architects
Join other young professionals at the final firm tour of the year and celebrate the accomplishments of those who earned licensure in 2019 and the winners of the St. Paul Prize Design Competition. Refreshments provided. RSVP »

ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS FOR 2020 FIRM TOUR HOSTS
The Emerging Professionals Committee is planning its Firm Tour schedule for 2020. Is your firm interested in hosting? Learn more and apply »

GOVERNMENT AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

Tuesday, December 17, 12:00 pm
AIA Minnesota Meeting Room
Have you ever considered advocating on behalf of the profession, but aren't sure how to get involved? Are you experienced in advocacy, and want to share your skills? The AIA Minnesota Government Affairs Committee is establishing an advocacy mentorship program to expand our base of citizen architects. If you are interested in serving as a mentor, or receiving mentorship, please contact Sheri Hansen.

HEALTH DESIGN KNOWLEDGE COMMUNITY

NO MEETINGS UNTIL JANUARY 2020.

HOUSING ADVOCACY COMMITTEE
Wednesday, December 4, 12:00 pm
AIA Minnesota Meeting Room
Join us for an in-depth planning discussion of Search for Shelter 2020.

SAVE THE DATE: SEARCH FOR SHELTER 2020
Friday, February 7 - Sunday, February 9
Rapson Hall, University of Minnesota
Search for Shelter helps local and regional affordable housing organizations envision beautiful, innovative design solutions for projects that previously existed only in written form.

Each year at Search for Shelter, nearly 50 volunteer architects, landscape architects, interior designers, and students, spend a weekend creating pro bono solutions for up to ten design projects submitted by Minnesota affordable housing and/or homeless non-profit organizations. Design volunteers work in teams to create viable, graphic solutions and plans, to serve as visual tools for agencies to use in obtaining further project funding, to promote their organization, and to serve as preliminary development/building plans.

Volunteer for Search for Shelter »

Know of an organization that needs free design support? Encourage them to apply for Search for Shelter!

KNOWLEDGE COMMUNITY ON THE ENVIRONMENT (kCOTE)

MATERIALS PANEL DISCUSSION
Thursday, December 12, 7:30 am
AIA Minnesota Meeting Room
This meeting will continue the materials discussion started at our March meeting. Pat Smith and Billy Weber will be joined by Simona Fischer, AIA, who will introduce the Sustainable and Healthy Materials Action Packet.

MINNESOTA DESIGN TEAM (MDT)

HOLIDAY SOCIAL
Thursday, December 12, 6:00 pm
Bauhaus Brew Labs
Join the Minnesota Design Team for their annual holiday celebration! Details »

2020 MDT RETREAT
Saturday, January 18, 8:30 am
ADM Room, Mill City Museum
Join us for a discussion of renewable energy in Greater Minnesota communities, which will include breakfast and lunch. Watch your email for information about speakers. Register »
MDT is looking for a leader-in-training for next summer's visit to Gary, Minnesota. If you are interested, please contact Ann Mayhew.

TECHNOLOGY IN ARCHITECTURE PRACTICE KNOWLEDGE COMMUNITY (TAP)

THE YEAR IN REVIEW: BREW PUB SOCIAL
Thursday, December 19, 5:30 pm
Bauhaus Brew Labs

WOMEN IN ARCHITECTURE COMMITTEE

HOLIDAY SOCIAL
Thursday, December 5, 4:30 pm
Umbra, Canopy Hotel
Catch up with colleagues and expand your professional network at this holiday gathering hosted by the Women in Architecture Committee. No RSVP necessary.

AFFILIATED ORGANIZATION NEWS & EVENTS

UPCOMING EVENTS

EXHIBITION | CREATIVITY OCTOBER 19 - JANUARY 5, 2020 »
LEED FOR HOMES WORKSHOP DECEMBER 10 »
STRONG TOWNS LECTURE & BOOK SIGNING DULUTH DECEMBER 11 »
STRONG TOWNS LECTURE & BOOK SIGNING TWIN CITIES DECEMBER 12 »

Visit the AIA Minnesota Events Calendar for more information about upcoming events.
CHECK OUT THE LATEST ISSUE OF ARCHITECTURE MN.

The November/December 2019 issue of Architecture MN features a healthcare innovation center and two new clinics that embrace and reflect their communities. It also includes a new residence hall at the Minnesota State Academy for the Deaf -- the first building on the Faribault campus to empty DeafSpace design concepts. Plus: A tour of an innovative Children's Hospital clinic for pediatric pain and an in-depth interview with M Physicians Mill City Clinic medical director Jon Hallberg, MD, on the clinic's recent expansion. Read more »

ADVERTISING OPPORTUNITIES
Include Architecture MN in your 2020 marketing plans to reach a highly sought-after targeted audience of architects, project partners, and decision-makers! Click here for the 2020 media kit and directory form.

We are currently working on the March/April issue, which features the AIA Minnesota 2019 Honor Awards and landscape architecture. It also includes the directory of landscape architects. Directory deadline is Friday, December 20; ad deadline is Friday, January 10.

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Sheri Hansen

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FEBRUARY Matrix editorial deadline is Friday, January 17.
Please submit content to AIA Minnesota.

Get updates on events, activities and the latest architectural news from AIA Minnesota and its chapters on social media. Don't forget to tag us on your news to share!

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