

## **AIA MINNESOTA MATRIX NEWSLETTER**

**May 2024**

### **A Truly Generous Challenge**

**by Mary-Margaret Zidren, EVP/Executive Director**



Whether it be articles in ENTER, continuing education presentations, or letters for legislative advocacy, we write a lot about the big challenges of architecture. Major challenges with A.I. Huge challenges around affordable housing. Immense challenges like climate change.

In all that writing, I don't think we've ever referred to a "generous" challenge. Until now.

The Minnesota Architectural Foundation (MAF) has received a truly generous challenge: **an anonymous donor has committed to donate \$50,000 to the Clarence Wigington Scholarship Fund – if we can raise a matching amount of \$50,000 by one year from now**, the anniversary of "Cap" Wigington's birthday: April 21, 2025.

With this rare and compelling opportunity in hand, the MAF is launching the "Bridge the Gap" campaign. It is called "Bridge the Gap" in reference not just to meeting the \$50,000 match that has been promised, but more importantly the gap between the demographics of the profession of architecture in Minnesota and the public this profession serves.

Thanks to the generosity of this architecture community during the recent Wigington campaign in 2021 the fund has grown from financially supporting 2 scholars per year at the University of Minnesota, to supporting 6 scholars simultaneously at both the University of Minnesota and Dunwoody College – and expanding support beyond the financial; we have been working to create community among Wigington Scholars. This connected cohort approach is making a real difference for students who are of races/ethnicities that are underrepresented in architecture.

Through this new Bridge the Gap campaign, this cohort can grow even bigger and the financial support provided to each student can be more meaningful.

**You are invited to join us as we celebrate Cap Wigington, current and past Minnesota Architectural Foundation Wigington scholars, and kick off the Bridge the Gap matching donation campaign – [May 21, 5-6:30 pm at Holman's Table](#), a Wigington-designed building.**

One family's gift can inspire us all. If each of us donate meaningfully in the context of our unique circumstances, we can quickly meet this generous challenge. [Please give today!](#)

#### CALL TO ACTION

### Call for Committee and Knowledge Community Leaders

If you participated in one of AIA Minnesota's committees or knowledge communities in the past 12 months, thank you! AIA Minnesota is proud to have a vibrant, thriving culture of committees thanks to the energy, time and efforts contributed by volunteers like you.

Please consider serving as a leader of a committee/knowledge community! We invite you to apply for a position. The brief [application can be completed at this link](#). Even if you are relatively new to committee service, we encourage you to consider serving in a leadership position. **Applications are due May 20.**

**Each committee/knowledge community's leadership need can be found in its section below.**

### Next Gen Award Open for Submissions

The Next Gen Award is given to recent graduates of an accredited NAAB architecture program who have demonstrated early leadership potential or exceptional service to the AIA, the architecture profession, or the community at large. AIA Minnesota members and Associate members who have graduated with an architecture degree from an NAAB-accredited program in the last five years (2019 or more recent) are eligible for this award. AIA licensure is not required to be eligible for this award.

Candidate submissions should demonstrate:

- Early leadership potential and exceptional service;
- Substantial involvement in a committee, knowledge community, or initiative of AIA Minnesota;
- Contributions to the profession through academic, professional, or volunteer efforts; and
- Significant contributions to the community through volunteering, activism, or leadership activities.

Submissions are due **Friday, May 31, at 12:00 pm** (noon) CST. [Learn more and submit »](#)

## Young Architects Award Open for Submissions

The AIA Minnesota Young Architects Award is given to individuals who, in an early stage of their architecture career, have shown exceptional leadership and made significant contributions to the profession and the community at large. AIA Minnesota members who have been licensed to practice architecture for less than 10 years and are currently licensed in Minnesota are eligible for this award.

Submissions should demonstrate outstanding architecture accomplishments, leadership qualities, and significant contributions to the community at large with selection criteria including but not limited to:

- Design excellence demonstrated through the creation of buildings and environments that enhance our built communities;
- Practice excellence demonstrated through leadership, management, and/or specialized technical expertise;
- Contributions to education through teaching, publications, and/or research; and
- Service demonstrated through exemplary contributions to the profession and society.

Submissions are due **Friday, May 31, at 12:00 pm** (noon) CST. [Learn more and submit »](#)

## Upcoming Awards Timelines

Visit the [AIA Minnesota Awards](#) page for the submission windows for the 2024 Louis Lundgren Award for Service, Collaborative Achievement Awards, 25 Year Award, Gold Medal, and Honor Awards and Commendations for Design Excellence.

## Home of the Month Volunteer Opportunity

**\*We have an urgent need for two consultants for the 7 pm virtual consultations on Tuesday, May 7.\*** Are you a residential architect or designer? Offered in conjunction with the Home of the Month program, AIA Minnesota's annual home design consultations provide an opportunity for the public to connect with a residential design professional for a 45-minute, one-on-one discussion. **We are looking for volunteers (AIA or Associate AIA members) to be the consultants, in person on Saturday, May 4, or virtual on Tuesday, May 7.** [Learn more & sign up »](#)



## Conference on Architecture November 2024

Call for proposals  
now open!

### Call for Proposals for A'24 MN Now Open

AIA Minnesota is seeking proposals for the A'24 MN Conference on Architecture, taking place on November 11, 12, and 13 at The Minneapolis Renaissance Depot Hotel.

Call for Proposals [PDF](#) for review only  
Call for Proposals Application [here](#)

**The deadline for proposals is Monday, June 3, 2024.**

#### Things to note:

- The CE Conference Committee seeks proposals on a wide variety of topics related to all building types, practice management skills, and of interest to architecture professionals in firms/organizations of all sizes.
- Presentations must be non-proprietary.
- Panels must include a diverse array of voices and perspectives, in particular regarding gender and race/ethnicity.
- In an effort to minimize the climate impact of this conference, we aim for at least 80 percent of our speakers to be within driving distance of the Twin Cities.
- Presenters highlighting a project are asked to share the historical context of the land and built environment related to the project in a manner that takes a long view of history and the people who have called that place home.

Questions? Contact [Deanna Christiansen](#).

### What topics and speakers would you like to see at the A'24 MN Conference?

Use this [link](#) to access a two-question survey where you can share your suggestions.

ANNOUNCEMENTS



## Christopher Strom, AIA, Receives 2024 Residential Architect of Distinction Award

Congratulations to **Christopher Strom, AIA**, recipient of the Residential Architect of Distinction Award for 2024. This award is given every two years to a residential architect, licensed for more than 15 years, who has demonstrated architectural excellence through design, craft, and materials, or who has made significant contributions to the advancement of residential design. [Learn more »](#)



## Carl Gauley, AIA, Receives 2024 Residential Emerging Architect Award

Congratulations to **Carl Gauley, AIA**, recipient of the Residential Emerging Architect Award for 2024. This award is given every two years to an emerging residential architect, licensed 10 or fewer years, who demonstrates the emergence of a strong architectural voice through thoughtful attention to design, craft, and materials, or who has made early contributions to the advancement of residential design. [Learn more »](#)





## Legislative Session Marches On

The 2024 legislative session is expected to wrap up on time in May. Committees in both chambers are moving into conference committee to reconcile budget targets and determine which policy bills will make it across the finish line this year. Given the reduced budget targets, many large policy initiatives stalled this session, but advancements in the residential energy code and other projects are still in play. The legislature is also still planning to complete a bonding bill in 2024, but past precedent tells us that it will be done at the very end of session. If you have questions about AIA Minnesota's policy work, please contact [Sheri Hansen](#).



## Sneak Peek at the 2024 *ENTER* Print Annual

A conversation on AI and architecture. The challenges and opportunities in navigating climate projection data. A Minnesota city with the rare opportunity to reshape its downtown. A state legislator on efforts to advance equity and building performance standards in state bonding and investment. The transformation of a historic building damaged in the civil unrest of 2020.

In addition to these features and others on residential architecture and affordable “missing middle” housing, the 2024 *ENTER* print annual includes galleries of notable new buildings, a special section on the recipients of 2023 AIA Minnesota design awards, and directories of Minnesota architecture firms and other building-project consultants. AIA Minnesota members will receive a copy in the mail in mid-May.

MINNESOTA ARCHITECTURAL FOUNDATION



## Clarence Wigington Architectural Scholarship

### Clarence Wigington Architectural Scholarship Opportunity

The Minnesota Architectural Foundation (MAF) is now accepting applications for the Clarence Wigington Architectural Scholarship! MAF will provide up to two (2) scholarships to students who identify as Black, Indigenous, or person of color who wish to pursue a professional education in architecture and who hold promise for succeeding in such a career pursuit. The scholarship amount provided to each recipient is \$2,500 per semester (\$5,000 per academic year) and is an ongoing scholarship for up to five years (if a full course load of classes is successfully completed each semester). Application deadline is May 24, 2024. [Learn more »](#)

#### CONTINUING EDUCATION



#### CONTINUING EDUCATION REQUIREMENT

**Minnesota architect license renewals are due June 30, 2024.** You must have 24 Professional Development Hours, including 2 hours in ethics, to renew your license.

**Carryover credits.** If you had more than 24 PDH when you renewed your license in 2022, you can carry over up to 12 of those additional hours for this license renewal period. Ethics credits do not carry over. Check [here](#) for more details.

#### **Stewardship of the Built Environment: A Conversation on Ethical, Relational Community Relations**

**Thursday, May 30, Structured CE time: 3:30-4:30 pm. EBE Committee Social to follow 4:30-5:30 pm (all CE attendees are invited).**

[Mary-Margaret Zindren's home](#)

What does it mean to be a steward of the built environment? How might common transactional and advisory-based approaches to community engagement requested by owners shift toward deeper, relationship-based approaches? And what are the ethical implications of embracing a stewardship mindset? Join the conversation on these questions in a casual, comfortable setting. (Designed to meet the requirements for 1 Ethics CE Credit). *Similar conversations may be offered in other regions of Minnesota in the coming months. If you live outside the 7-county metro area and have an idea for a similar location/setting, please contact [Mary-Margaret](#).*

Facilitators will include: Paul Bauknight, Isaac Karley, Assoc. AIA, and Mary-Margaret Zindren Cost is \$30; space limited to 30 attendees. Registrants will receive a follow-up email with more details. [Register »](#)

*Sponsored by the AIA MN Equity in the Built Environment (EBE) Committee; co-sponsored by AIA Minneapolis*

### **Three New On-Demand Webinars Available Mid-April**

AIA Minnesota has on-demand webinars to help you meet your continuing education needs. Three more will be available soon from the A'23 MN Conference presentations, including:

- [Means of Egress: A General Introduction](#) 1.5 HSW LUs
- [Do Designers Know Best? Fighting for the Design Solutions We Believe In](#) 1.25 LUs and Ethics
- [Local Lessons from the COTE Top Ten](#) 1.5 HSW LUs

**AIA Minnesota has on-demand webinars** to help you meet your continuing education needs.

- [\(Sustainable\) Design is in the Details](#) 1.5 HSW LUs
- [The Ethics of Ableism](#) 2.0 HSW LUs and Ethics
- [Ethics: Designing/Constructing Public Projects through an Equity Lens](#) 2.0 LUs and Ethics
- [Code Provisions for Mixed Occupancies](#) 1.5 HSW LU
- [Interrupting Abusive Behavior in the Workplace](#) 1.0 LU and Ethics
- [Fire Service Features of the State Fire Code](#) 1.5 HSW LU
- [Ethical Leadership in Today's Complex Business Environment](#) 2.0 LUs and Ethics
- [Pathways to SB2030: Three Minnesota Case Studies](#) 1.0 HSW LU
- [Ethical Design in the Era of Climate Change](#) 2.0 HSW LUs and Ethics

Questions? Contact [Deanna Christiansen](#).

## **LEADERSHIP FORUM**

The April Leadership Forum session was a full day that focused on communication. Emotional Intelligence was discussed as a model to identify strengths and areas to augment including self-awareness strategies, self-





management strategies, social awareness strategies, and relationship management strategies. Leadership styles were also covered looking at coaching, teaching, delegating, and directing, and exploring when each was appropriate. Much of the day was spent in learning through conversation within the cohort.

Thanks goes to Mary Eisele Slack, a management consultant and clinical faculty member at the University of St. Thomas; to our 2024 advisors, **Steven Wolf, AIA**, and **Stephanie Howe, AIA**; and to Cuningham for the use of their space, and assistance from Elizabeth Foster, CDFA.

### CALL FOR LEADERS

The Leadership Forum Advisory Committee is seeking two volunteer leaders (preference given to past participants of the AIA Minnesota Leadership Forum):

- Co-Chair Elect (serving elect leader June 2024-June 2025, followed by two years as co-chair concluding in June 2026)
- Co-Chair (serving two years as co-chair; through June 2026)

### NATIONAL & LOCAL CHAPTER UPDATES

#### AIA NATIONAL



### AIA24 CONFERENCE ON ARCHITECTURE & DESIGN

June 5-8, 2024

Washington, DC

AIA24 is where the AIA and AEC communities gather for the industry's best continuing education, unparalleled networking, exclusive tours of Washington architecture and firms, and the industry's largest expo. Make a difference in your career at AIA24 in Washington, D.C.

[Explore the schedule »](#)

### AMENDMENTS TO AIA BYLAWS

At the AIA24 Conference in June, delegates representing Minnesota's state and local chapters will vote on behalf of the membership on several proposed changes to the AIA bylaws. AIA Minnesota members are invited to share thoughts on the proposed bylaws changes to inform delegates' votes. The changes under consideration fall into two categories: membership category changes and governance. [View detailed amendments and rationale.](#)

In addition, AIA will host a series of Townhalls for AIA members and delegates to review and discuss the proposed amendments to the AIA Bylaws and resolutions in advance of the 2024 AIA Annual Meeting on Wednesday, June 5, 2024. The purpose of the town hall is to facilitate a dialogue about the amendments, answer member questions and address any concerns prior to the Annual Meeting.

### AIA Townhalls

- May 1, 2024, 2:00 pm CST: AIA Townhall for AIA Members to review and discuss bylaw changes and resolutions. [Register for the townhall.](#)

- May 7, 2024, 11:00 am CST: AIA Townhall for AIA Members to review and discuss membership category bylaw changes. [Register for the townhall.](#)
- May 15, 2024, 9:00 am CST: AIA Townhall for AIA Members to review and discuss membership category bylaw changes. [Register for the townhall.](#)

### DELEGATES NEEDED

If you plan to attend AIA24 in Washington, DC, please consider becoming a delegate. Delegates are official representatives of their chapter and participate in the AIA Annual Business Meeting and election of officers and at-large director. Duties include reviewing summaries of candidates' experience and qualifications, listening to pre-recorded candidate speeches, virtual attendance at the AIA Town Hall, review the information session, and in-person attendance at the AIA Business Meeting and Candidate Caucus during AIA24, and voting. We need delegates from AIA Northern Minnesota, AIA St. Paul, and AIA Minneapolis. If you are interested, please email [Amber Allardyce](mailto:Amber.Allardyce@aia.org) by May 10, 2024.

### Delegates should expect to attend the following:

- May 1, 2:00 pm - AIA Town Hall (virtual)
- May 7, 11:00 am - AIA Town Hall (virtual)
- May 15, 9:00 am - AIA Town Hall (virtual)
- May 29, 12:00 pm – AIA Minnesota delegate information session
- June 5, 1:00 pm - AIA Annual Meeting (Washington, DC)
- June 5, 5:00 pm - Candidate Caucus (Washington, DC)

### AIA NATIONAL PHOTOGRAPHY COMPETITION

The 2024 AIA National Photography Competition is now accepting entries. This competition is open to AIA members, registered architects, and architecture students of accredited universities and the top photographs will receive CASH PRIZES. All recognized photographs of the competition will be promoted by our media sponsor *Architecture Record Magazine* and will also be displayed at the *Architecture Record* booth at the upcoming AIA24 Conference on Architecture & Design in Washington, D.C. [Learn more »](#)

### SAVE THE DATE: WOMEN'S LEADERSHIP SUMMIT 2024

Mark your calendars! AIA Women's Leadership Summit 2024 will be held in Chicago on October 8–10, 2024. The premier event brings together the industry's largest network of women offering an array of opportunities for networking, leadership training, business development, gender equity, and personal empowerment.

### WLS CALL FOR PROPOSALS TIMELINE

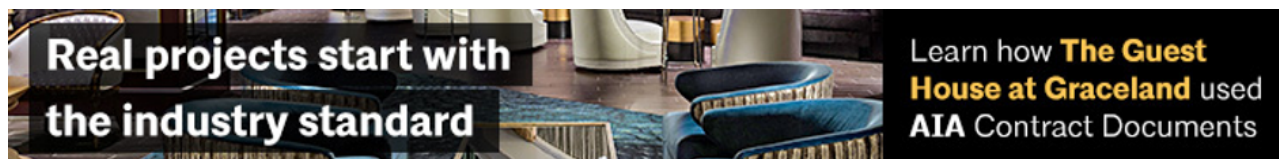
The call for proposals will open **May 6** and close **June 14, 2024**. More information will be available in the coming weeks. In the meantime, questions about WLS 2024 may go to [womeninarch@aia.org](mailto:womeninarch@aia.org).

### YAF NOW YA KNOW

The April edition of the Young Architects Forum newsletter includes upcoming events and information about special programming at AIA24. [Learn more »](#)

### UPDATE YOUR CONTACT INFORMATION

We want to make sure we stay connected! If you've moved, changed companies, or retired, or if your member record contains outdated or incorrect information, this is a perfect time to make those updates. [Log into your profile »](#)



## AIA MINNEAPOLIS

### NO LUNCH PROGRAM IN MAY

### MERIT AWARD CALL FOR ENTRIES

AIA Minneapolis Merit Awards recognize projects by AIA Minneapolis architects that tell a story of excellence beyond design; public interest design; and the variety of forces that shape a building. Submissions are due Friday, May 17. [Learn more and apply »](#)

### DOORS OPEN MINNEAPOLIS

Attend [Doors Open Minneapolis](#) on May 18 & 19!

### JOIN THE SUSTAINABILITY ACCOUNTABILITY GROUP

If you are an AIA Minneapolis member and part of a smaller firm or sole practitioner interested in giving and receiving peer support while working to develop sustainable design capabilities, join the mailing list for the newly formed Sustainability Accountability Group. [Learn more and sign up »](#)



## Register Now for the 2024 AIA Minneapolis Golf Outing!

**Monday, July 29**

**Majestic Oaks Golf Course**

[Registration for golfers »](#) (Golfer registration taken on a first-come basis. Limit 288 golfers.)

[Registration link for sponsors »](#)

Contact [Pam Nelson](#) for more information.

## AIA NORTHERN MINNESOTA





## **AIA NORTHERN MINNESOTA GOLF FUNDRAISER**

**Thursday, July 18**

**Enger Park Golf Course**

Registration is open for the annual AIA Northern Minnesota Golf Fundraiser! Have fun playing 18 holes of golf and raising money for the AIA Northern Minnesota scholarship fund. [Sign up by June 28 »](#)

## **AIA ST. PAUL**

### **FOOD FOR THOUGHT: AI + ARCHITECTURE**

**Wednesday, May 29, 4:00 pm**

**Pope Architects**

[Register »](#)

AI is a hot topic in nearly every industry, and when it comes to Architecture, there is both excitement and fear. Join us as we explore this rapidly expanding and evolving use of technology from both a theoretical and practical approach. We will share examples of available tools and how they can be used in your practice, as well as how AI is being explored in education from both faculty and student perspectives. We will wrap up the discussion with thoughts on the impacts on the profession and a Q&A session with the audience.

Presenters: **Shawn Sullivan, AIA, HGA**; Dingliang Yang, UMN College of Design; Mary-Margaret Zindren; moderator **Ryan Rademacher, AIA, JLG Architects**

This program is graciously being hosted at Pope Architects in St. Paul, who will also be giving a tour of their office. Additionally, a happy hour with beverages and hors d'oeuvres will be provided. We hope to see you there! [Register today »](#)

## **COMMITTEE AND KNOWLEDGE COMMUNITY UPDATES**

### **ARCHITECT LICENSING ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

**Wednesday, May 1, 12:00 pm**

[Virtual Meeting](#)

#### **Updates from NCARB**

- Did you know that NCARB recently updated the [ARE 5.0 Guidelines](#)?

- The updated Guidelines includes a new reference guide that provides candidates with a shorter, more focused list of recommended study resources for each division.
- Additionally, the exam will no longer include quantitative-fill-in-the-blank questions. Only four types of questions will now be used: multiple choice, check-all-that-apply, hotspot, and drag-and-place. Visit NCARB's [YouTube channel](#) for a detailed review.
- Starting February 27, all code-related items on the ARE will reference the 2021 International Code Council (ICC) family of codes and related standards.

### **CALL FOR LEADERS**

The Architect Licensing Advisory Committee is seeking two volunteer leaders:

- Co-Chair Elect (serving elect leader June 2024-June 2025, followed by two years as co-chair concluding in June 2026)
- Co-Chair (serving two years as co-chair; through June 2026)

## **ARCHITECTURE IN THE SCHOOLS COMMITTEE**

**Thursday, May 9, 8:30 am**

[Virtual Meeting](#)

The AIS Committee is still open to new members joining us as we have reconvened and are in the planning stages for our second quarter in 2024! Please reach out to [PaviElle French](#) if you are interested, or feel free to register for the meeting.

### **CALL FOR LEADERS**

The Architecture in the Schools Committee is seeking two volunteer leaders:

- Co-Chair Elect (serving elect leader June 2024-June 2025, followed by two years as co-chair concluding in June 2026)
- Co-Chair (serving two years as co-chair; through June 2026)

## **BUILDING CODES KNOWLEDGE COMMUNITY**

**Wednesday, May 8, 12:00 pm**

[Virtual Meeting](#)

- 1) Legislative update, including an update on the single exit buildings code proposal.
- 2) TAG updates (as applicable).
- 3) Open Forum: Bring your code questions, experiences, and updates to share.

### **CALL FOR LEADERS**

The Building Codes Knowledge Community is seeking two volunteer leaders:

- Co-Chair Elect (serving elect leader June 2024-June 2025, followed by two years as co-chair concluding in June 2026)
- Co-Chair (serving two years as co-chair; through June 2026)

## **COMMITTEE ON DESIGN**

**Thursday, May 9, 12:00 pm**

[Virtual Meeting](#)

### **CALL FOR LEADERS**

The Committee on Design is seeking one volunteer leader:



- Co-Chair Elect (serving elect leader June 2024-June 2025, followed by two years as co-chair concluding in June 2026)

## COMMITTEE ON EQUITY IN THE BUILT ENVIRONMENT (EBE)

**Tuesday, May 21, 3:30 pm**

[Virtual meeting](#)

The EBE Committee is still open to new members joining us and helping actualize our plans to engage in community-based equity events in 2024! Please reach out to [PaviElle French](#) if you are interested, or feel free to register for the meeting.

### CALL FOR LEADERS

The Committee on Equity in the Built Environment is seeking two volunteer leaders:

- Co-Chair Elect (serving elect leader June 2024-June 2025, followed by two years as co-chair concluding in June 2026)
- Co-Chair (serving two years as co-chair; through June 2026)

## COMMITTEE ON THE ENVIRONMENT (COTE)

**Friday, May 10, 12:00 pm**

[Virtual Meeting](#)

**Simona Fischer, AIA**, with **MSR Design** will give an update on a set of tools and resources for implementing reuse and deconstruction on commercial projects. Hennepin County, Minnesota, in partnership with MSR Design, the University of Minnesota Center for Sustainable Building Research (CSBR), and Doors Unhinged of Pittsburgh PA, has been developing a guidance document and suite of specifications that establishes reuse as a legitimate strategy and scope of work, and formalizes a set of language for getting reuse into the contract documents.

Join to learn more about the guide and give feedback before it's formally issued.

### CALL FOR LEADERS

The Committee on the Environment is seeking one volunteer leader:

- Co-Chair Elect (serving elect leader June 2024-June 2025, followed by two years as co-chair concluding in June 2026)

## COUNCIL OF FIRMS KNOWLEDGE COMMUNITY

### ACCOUNTING AND PROJECT MANAGEMENT SOFTWARE

**Monday, May 13, 12:00 pm**

[Virtual Meeting](#)

Join the Council of Firms discussion on lessons and successes using accounting software. From VantagePoint for project planning, to managing business metrics and accounting, learn from peers who are navigating this software transition for professional practice.

**COF members are encouraged to bring their accounting and IT staff.**

### CALL FOR LEADERS

The Council of Firms is seeking two volunteer leaders:

- Co-Chair Elect (serving elect leader June 2024-June 2025, followed by two years as co-

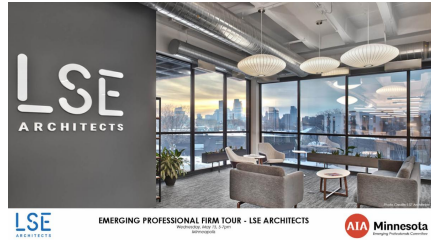
chair concluding in June 2026)

- Co-Chair (serving two years as co-chair; through June 2026)

## EMERGING PROFESSIONALS COMMITTEE

Tuesday, July 9, 12:00 pm (meetings are held quarterly)

[Virtual Meeting](#)



### EMERGING PROFESSIONALS FIRM TOUR AND HAPPY HOUR

Wednesday, May 15, 5:00 - 7:00 pm

[LSE Architects](#) 1401 Glenwood Avenue, Minneapolis

Join the Emerging Professional Committee for a Firm Tour and Happy Hour at LSE's office near downtown Minneapolis.

Lawal Scott Erickson Architects is the 2023-2024 AIA Minnesota Firm Award recipient. LSE Architects is a 55-

person Minneapolis based architecture, interior design, and planning firm specializing in Education, Community & Fitness, Commercial, Hospitality, and Multi-Family Housing. They are the largest black-owned firm in the upper Midwest. [For more details and to register »](#)



### EMERGING PROFESSIONAL FRIENDLY FIRM PROGRAM

Does your firm provide support to emerging professionals? This award program recognizes firms in the Upper Midwest that are committed to supporting early career professionals.

Firms with an office in Wisconsin, Minnesota, North Dakota, or South Dakota are eligible to apply. [Visit the website »](#)

### CALL FOR LEADERS

The Emerging Professionals Committee is seeking two volunteer leaders:

- Co-Chair Elect (serving elect leader June 2024-June 2025, followed by two years as co-chair concluding in June 2026)
- Co-Chair (serving two years as co-chair; through June 2026)

## ENTER COMMITTEE

Friday, May 24, 12:00 pm

[Virtual Meeting](#)

### CALL FOR LEADERS

The ENTER Committee is seeking two volunteer leaders:

- Co-Chair Elect (serving elect leader June 2024-June 2025, followed by two years as co-chair concluding in June 2026)
- Co-Chair (serving two years as co-chair; through June 2026)

## GOVERNMENT AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

Tuesday, May 21, 12:00 pm

[Virtual Meeting](#)

View the AIA Minnesota [2024 Legislative Agenda](#). The Agenda is created by the Government Affairs Committee with input from multiple committees and knowledge communities, and is aligned with AIA's policy platform. Contact [Sheri Hansen](#) for more information.

### **CALL FOR LEADERS**

The Government Affairs Committee is seeking one volunteer leader:

- Co-Chair Elect (serving elect leader June 2024-June 2025, followed by two years as co-chair concluding in June 2026)

## **HEALTH DESIGN KNOWLEDGE COMMUNITY**

This KC will be on hiatus while we explore the best path forward for future meetings.

### **CALL FOR LEADERS**

The Health Design Knowledge Community is seeking three volunteer leaders:

- Co-Chair Elect (serving elect leader June 2024-June 2025, followed by two years as co-chair concluding in June 2026)
- Co-Chair (serving two years as co-chair; through June 2026)
- Co-Chair (serving one year as co-chair; through June 2025)

## **HOUSING ADVOCACY COMMITTEE**

**Wednesday, June 5, 12:00 pm**

[Virtual Meeting](#)

### **CALL FOR LEADERS**

The Housing Advocacy Committee is seeking two volunteer leaders:

- Co-Chair Elect (serving elect leader June 2024-June 2025, followed by two years as co-chair concluding in June 2026)
- Co-Chair (serving two years as co-chair; through June 2026)

## **LAKE SUPERIOR DESIGN RETREAT COMMITTEE**

**Monday, May 20, 11:30 am**

[Virtual Meeting](#)

**Save the dates!** The 37<sup>th</sup> annual LSDR will be on March 7-8, 2025 at Zeitgeist Arts in Duluth!

### **CALL FOR LEADERS**

The Lake Superior Design Retreat Committee is seeking two volunteer leaders:

- Co-Chair Elect (serving elect leader June 2024-June 2025, followed by two years as co-chair concluding in June 2026)
- Co-Chair (serving two years as co-chair; through June 2026)

## **MINNESOTA DESIGN TEAM COMMITTEE (MDT)**

**Wednesday, May 15, 4:30 pm**

[Virtual Meeting](#)

## CALL FOR LEADERS

The Minnesota Design Team Committee is seeking one volunteer leader:

- Co-Chair Elect (serving elect leader June 2024-June 2025, followed by two years as co-chair concluding in June 2026)

## RESIDENTIAL ARCHITECTURE COMMITTEE

**Tuesday, May 7, 12:00 pm**

[Virtual Meeting](#)

### VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR HOME DESIGN CONSULTATIONS

Offered in conjunction with the Home of the Month program, AIA Minnesota's annual home design consultations provide an opportunity for the public to connect with a residential design professional for a 45-minute, one-on-one discussion. **We are looking for volunteers (AIA or Associate AIA members) to be the consultants, in person on Wednesday, May 1 and Saturday, May 4, or virtual on Tuesday, May 9. LOTS of slots are still open! [Learn more & sign up »](#)**

## CALL FOR LEADERS

The Residential Architecture Committee is seeking one volunteer leader:

- Co-Chair Elect (serving elect leader June 2024-June 2025, followed by two years as co-chair concluding in June 2026)

## TECHNOLOGY IN ARCHITECTURE PRACTICE KNOWLEDGE COMMUNITY

### NO COMMITTEE MEETING IN MAY

## CALL FOR LEADERS

The Technology in Architecture Practice Knowledge Community is seeking two volunteer leaders:

- Co-Chair Elect (serving elect leader June 2024-June 2025, followed by two years as co-chair concluding in June 2026)
- Co-Chair (serving two years as co-chair; through June 2026)

## WOMEN IN ARCHITECTURE COMMITTEE

**Wednesday, May 15, 12:00 pm**

[Virtual Meeting](#)

## CALL FOR LEADERS

The Women in Architecture Committee is seeking one volunteer leader:

- Co-Chair Elect (serving elect leader June 2024-June 2025, followed by two years as co-chair concluding in June 2026)

## PEOPLE & FIRMS

## WELCOME OUR NEWEST MEMBERS!

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### BRINGING DESIGN INTO FOCUS

Tuesday, May 14 11:00 am - 3:00 pm

[Blacklist Brewing, Duluth](#)

Join US for an engaging presentation and discussion titled *Buildings + Beyond: Regenerative Architecture*. A presentation will kick off the session focusing on how architecture can connect occupants to light, air, food, nature,

and community while being self-sufficient and creating a positive impact on the surrounding environment.

We will then join local and regional thought-leaders in a panel discussion, learning from each of their perspectives what barriers they have encountered, policy change that is coming or needs to be coming, and inspirational examples of regenerative architecture. [Register »](#)

### 2024 SUMMER ARCHITECTURE PROGRAMS FOR KIDS AND HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS

*Archinect Magazine* compiled a list of national design programs for students. [Learn more »](#)

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### LEED GREEN ASSOCIATE ONLINE TRAINING

Leading Green is offering LEED training and exam prep this spring. Use code "sust" to receive a \$100 discount! Live and self-paced options are available. [Learn more »](#)

### UMN ONLINE RESOURCES

Visit the College of Design's [online calendar](#) for regular updates on activities.

### UMN CAREER AND INTERNSHIP RESOURCES

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