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## AIA MINNESOTA MATRIX NEWSLETTER

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### ISSUE HIGHLIGHTS

Louis Lundgren Award for Service  
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25 Year Award

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## What is Minnesota Architecture's Character?

By Nathan Johnson, AIA, NOMA, AIA Minnesota President



I was recently asked the question "what is Minnesota architecture's character?"

I took a long pause and admitted I did not know, responding that the buildings in this state are as diverse as the people designing them. After a little reflection, I think my initial assessment was right; buildings, like people, are diverse and they should be. Part of the beauty of practicing architecture is that there are always multiple great solutions to a design problem, and that buildings can be designed in many styles

and in multiple eras and still be great.

After thinking about the question for a few days, I think the question could be phrased in a slightly different way: "what is the character of the Minnesota architect?"

When I think of the wide variety of architectural professionals I have practiced with or otherwise worked with in Minnesota, there is an ethos that I think is consistent: Hard work and passion. Everywhere I have practiced, individuals have been willing to put in the extra effort to make a project successful. There is a great cohort of volunteer leaders within AIA Minnesota that make our committees and programs recognized throughout the nation. [Read more »](#)

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS



*Left to right: John Dwyer, AIA; Chelsea Woods Development; Victoria Young; Chris Lee*

### AIA Minnesota Selects 25 Year Award, Louis Lundgren Award for Service, and Special Award Recipients

**John Dwyer, AIA**, is the 2018 Louis Lundgren Award for Service recipient. The award recognizes one Minnesota architect for their outstanding contributions in the area of community and professional service. [Read more »](#)

The Chelsea Woods Development, located in Plymouth, Minnesota and designed by **Cunningham Group Architecture**, is the recipient of this year's 25 Year Award. [Read more »](#)

Dr. Victoria M. Young and Chris Lee were honored with 2018 Special Awards. The award seeks to encourage, stimulate and recognize exceptional contributions made by individuals and organizations that improve the quality of our physical environment. [Read more »](#)

### AIA Minnesota 2018 Honor Awards Call for Entries Closes Friday, September 28

Since 1954, AIA Minnesota has celebrated outstanding architecture through its annual Honor Awards Program. Our Honor Awards acknowledge built projects designed by AIA Minnesota members, or by firms that are owned by AIA Minnesota members, that practice professionally in Minnesota. We encourage broad

participation from established and new practitioners of firms of all sizes.

**Submissions for the 2018 AIA Minnesota Honor Awards are due Friday, September 28.** For more information about the AIA Minnesota Honor Awards, and a link to Award Force to submit your entry, [visit the website »](#)

## Leadership Positions for 2019

AIA Minnesota is currently seeking applications for officer and board leadership positions that will begin January 1, 2019. [Learn more and apply online »](#)

### Open AIA Minnesota Officer/Board Leadership Positions for 2019:

- **President-Elect** (three-year commitment as President-Elect, President, and Past President; FAIA, AIA and Assoc. AIA members eligible)
- **Secretary** (one-year term, renewable; FAIA, AIA and Assoc. AIA members eligible)
- **Treasurer** (one-year term, renewable; FAIA, AIA and Assoc. AIA members eligible)
- **Associate Director** (one-year term, renewable; only Assoc. AIA members eligible)

## 2019 Leadership Forum

AIA Minnesota is seeking applications for the tenth annual Leadership Forum. Attend the Open House to learn how the Forum is good for the individual, good for the firm, and good for the profession. The Open House will also provide you with the opportunity to talk to past Forum participants. [Learn more »](#)

### Open House

**Tuesday, September 11**

**4:30 - 6:00 pm**

**AIA Minnesota**

**Applications due Friday, October 5, 5:00 pm** [Learn more »](#)

## Save the Date! 31st Annual Lake Superior Design Retreat

**March 1-2, 2019**

**Duluth**

The Lake Superior Design Retreat is an annual, winter weekend extravaganza in Duluth, Minnesota. Architects and others interested in design gather together at

Fitger's Inn to explore the corners of design with six invited design professionals who share their passion for their art and/or craft and discuss their creative stories.

We are at the six-month countdown to the Retreat! Check out two of our speakers who are already confirmed!

[Ansley Barnard](#) - industrial designer; Indy car designer; inhabitant of the HI-SEAS Mars Simulation Habitat in Hawaii

[Joanna Hurme](#) founding partner, 5468796 Architecture, Winnipeg, Manitoba

## Online Member Profile

Update your contact preferences, education, licenses, career, and contact information online. [Update today »](#)

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### CONTINUING EDUCATION

#### A'18 MN CONFERENCE

Continuing education credits will be available for nearly every session of the A'18 MN Conference in November. Plan to attend and have access to multiple programs providing HSW credits and GBCI credits, and two programs providing ethics credits. Additionally, a handful of these sessions will be recorded and become a part of our growing number of on-demand webinars.

#### ON-DEMAND WEBINARS

Take advantage of AIA Minnesota's on-demand webinars to meet your learning and continuing education credit needs. Convenient access, quality content. Visit AIA Minnesota Current CE Opportunities [for more details »](#)

- *New!* Revised and New AIA Contract Documents: Owner-Architect Agreements & Sustainable Design and Construction -- 1.5 HSW LUs
  - Minnesota Conservation Code for Existing Buildings -- 2.75 HSW LUs
  - MN Accessibility Code (presented October 2017) -- 2.75 HW LUs
  - Ethics Past, Present and Future: Tales from the Grey Zone (presented November 2017) -- 2.0 HSW LUs and 2.0 hours of ethics credit
  - Weather Barriers, Continuous Insulation and NFPA-285 (presented November 2017) -- 1.5 HSW LUs
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## PEOPLE & FIRMS

**Cunningham Group Architecture** promoted **Nina Broadhurst, AIA; Shaun Jennings, AIA; Thomas Kylo, AIA; Paulo Lovagnini, AIA; and Adam Wilbrecht, AIA** to partnership in its Minneapolis office.

### **Damaris Hollingsworth, AIA**

presented a TEDx talk on the importance of creating holistic, inclusive spaces in August in Minneapolis.

**LHB, Inc.** hired **Bailey Hansen, AIA** as architectural designer.



### **Mary-Margaret Zindren, AIA Minnesota EVP, receives CACE Emerging Leader Award**

The award is given out annually by the AIA Council of Architectural Component Executives (CACE) to an emerging leader who has been with AIA for 2-5 years and "exemplifies the highest qualities of leadership and who has demonstrated an unparalleled commitment to their AIA component."

## WELCOME OUR NEWEST MEMBERS!

Jaime Anderson, Assoc. AIA

Michelle Benoit, AIA Minnesota Allied

Kathleen Bond, Assoc. AIA

David Brandon, AIA Minnesota Allied

Nancy Britt, Assoc. AIA

Andrew Dahlquist, AIA

Chuck Geisler, AIA Minnesota Allied

Jonathan Hegseth, Assoc. AIA

Thomas Jefferson, AIA Minnesota Allied

Zijie Lin, Assoc. AIA

Zach Pate, AIA Minnesota Allied

Madeline Peters, Assoc. AIA

Andrew Schick, Assoc. AIA

Bradley Wicks, Assoc. AIA

Drew Wolf, Assoc. AIA

Jacob Woll, Assoc. AIA

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## NATIONAL & LOCAL CHAPTER UPDATES

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### BUSINESS MODELS SURVEY FOR SMALL ARCHITECTURE FIRMS

The Small Firm Exchange (SFx) is conducting the [2018 Small Firms Business Models Survey](#) to identify and measure the variety and commonalities in small firm business models with the goal of providing meaningful insight and analysis. The survey is intended for sole practitioners and for firms with a maximum of 10 total staff members.

### UPDATED STATE ECONOMIC PROFILES NOW AVAILABLE

AIA's state economic profiles—a collection of economic indicators that can be used to help make better business decisions—have been updated for mid-2018. This important research showcases the impact of the architecture industry on society including employment and gross domestic product. [Learn more »](#)

### WHERE WE STAND: SCHOOL DESIGN

As architects, we believe innovative design solutions can keep learners and learning central to the decision-making process in designing safe schools. Architects can improve school safety through the power of design. [Read more »](#)

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## AIA MINNEAPOLIS

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### AIA MINNEAPOLIS LUNCHEON

Thursday, September 20, 11:45 am

International Market Square, Suite 185

Hear from three professionals with backgrounds in architecture who have followed career paths leading to new avenues, including art, mathematics and real estate. Panelists include **John Klockeman, FAIA**, **Jeanine Christiansen**, and **Randy Walker**. [Register today »](#)

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## AIA NORTHERN MINNESOTA

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### CALL FOR NOMINATIONS: 2019 OFFICERS AND BOARD OF DIRECTORS

If you are interested in exploring leadership opportunities at the local chapter level, please [express interest](#) by September 12. [Learn more »](#)

### IMPACTING THE ECONOMY: ARCHITECTURE, ENGINEERING, AND THE CONSTRUCTION INDUSTRY

Thursday, September 27, 12:00-5:30 pm

Greysolon Ballroom, Duluth

Hosted by the AIA Northern Minnesota chapter, join this exciting afternoon exploring the impact of our industry on today's and tomorrow's economy with [Tom Fisher, Assoc. AIA](#) and [Rolf Weberg](#). 3 CEUs are available. [Learn more »](#)

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## AIA ST. PAUL

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## AFFORDABILITY, ACCESSIBILITY, AND THE "MISSING MIDDLE"

Wednesday, September 26

St. Paul, MN

Curious about "Missing Middle" housing options that sensitively add density to existing neighborhoods? Or options for older adults who want to age in their communities? Or affordability in our neighborhoods?

AIA St. Paul and AARP are teaming up to bring Dan Parolek of Opticos Design to St. Paul to discuss Missing Middle housing and neighborhoods for all. Dan will present design options for diverse housing along a spectrum of affordability, including duplexes, fourplexes, and bungalow courts, to support walkable communities, locally-serving retail, and public transportation options. Missing Middle Housing provides a solution to the mismatch between the available U.S. housing stock and shifting demographics combined with the growing demand for walkability. [Register »](#)



**2018 ST PAUL PRIZE COMPETITION**

**Open October 5 - October 22, 2018**

AIA St. Paul is pleased to sponsor The 2018 St. Paul Prize, a design competition open to emerging architectural professionals that have graduated with an accredited professional architecture degree within the last ten years. The purpose of this competition is to focus on developing innovative ideas for programming, design, and occupation of public space. This year's site will be located along University Ave - northeast of the Marion/University intersection and adjacent to the League of Minnesota Cities. Prize winner receives \$1,500. [Learn more >](#)

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## COMMITTEE AND KNOWLEDGE COMMUNITY UPDATES

### ARCHITECT LICENSING ADVISORY COMMITTEE

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#### REGISTER TO ATTEND ARE 5.0 REVIEWS

AIA Minnesota will launch our ARE 5.0 review sessions this fall. Each session will be taught by a content expert as well as someone who has recently taken and passed that section of the exam.

\*All sessions will take place at the AIA Minnesota office unless otherwise noted.

Visit the [website](#) for details and to register.

#### PROJECT PLANNING & DESIGN AND PROJECT DEVELOPMENT & DOCUMENTATION

Thursday, September 20, 5:30 - 9:00 pm

\*Thursday, October 4, 5:30 - 9:00 pm (at Gausman & Moore)

#### PRACTICE MANAGEMENT AND PROJECT MANAGEMENT

Thursday, October 11, 5:30 - 9:00 pm

#### PROGRAMMING & ANALYSIS

Thursday, October 25, 6:00 - 8:00 pm

#### CONSTRUCTION & EVALUATION

\*Wednesday, November 14, 8:00 -10:00 am (at the Minneapolis Convention Center)

#### RESOURCES TO HELP

[ARE 5.0 Handbook](#)

[ARE 5.0 Demonstration Exam](#)

Join the [ARE 5.0 Community](#) to connect with NCARB's exam experts and your fellow candidates.

#### LENDING LIBRARY

Associate AIA members are welcome to use the [AIA Minnesota lending library](#) to help them in preparing for the exams.

### BUILDING CODES KNOWLEDGE COMMUNITY

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**GENDER-NEUTRAL BATHROOMS****Wednesday, September 12, 12:00 pm****AIA Minnesota office****KNOWLEDGE COMMUNITY ON THE ENVIRONMENT (KCOTE)**

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**STORMWATER SOLUTIONS: CASE STUDIES AND BEST PRACTICES FOR STORMWATER INFILTRATION, FILTRATION, AND REUSE****Thursday, September 13, 7:30 - 9:00 am****AIA Minnesota Boardroom**

Can your next project reuse Stormwater? Can stormwater systems be beautiful? How can designers be proactive with stormwater practices?

Join us for these answers and more as the Mississippi Watershed Management Organization (MWMO) presents case studies from their work with cities, private developers and park boards for the design and construction of stormwater practices including infiltration, filtration and reuse. They will also discuss emerging issues such as stormwater management and regulatory control, water quality standards for reuse, and local comprehensive land use planning and city code. Guest speakers will be Marcy Bean, PLA, MWMO Capital Projects and Stewardship Specialist, and Douglas Snyder, MWMO Executive Director.

**EMERGING PROFESSIONALS COMMITTEE (EPC)**

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**EPC DRAUGHTING CLUB GATHERINGS****September 15 & 16**

Before the Homes by Architects Tour, join the EPC for coffee to plan your route and discuss your favorite homes. Saturday: meet at Beanhaven Cafe in Wayzata, 9:00 am; Sunday: meet at Uncommon Grounds, 9:00 am. [Learn more »](#)

**2018 EVENTS**

Join the Emerging Professionals Committee for a series of after-work firm tours and other events throughout the year. [See dates and locations of all planned 2018 events here »](#)

**NOW ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS FOR 2019 FIRM TOUR HOSTS**

The Emerging Professionals Committee is planning its Firm Tour schedule for 2019. Is your firm interested in hosting? [Click here to learn more and apply to host »](#)

**GOVERNMENT AFFAIRS COMMITTEE**

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**HOMES FOR ALL GUBERNATORIAL FORUM****Wednesday, September 12, 5:00 pm**

**Duluth, MN**

Join the Homes for All Coalition in Duluth, Minnesota for an opportunity to hear from the gubernatorial candidates about their vision for affordable housing in Minnesota. [Register in advance to submit a question »](#)

AIA Minnesota is a member of the Homes for All Coalition.

**HEALTH DESIGN KNOWLEDGE COMMUNITY**

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**Thursday, September 27, 4:00 pm**

**AIA Minnesota Boardroom**

**RESIDENTIAL ARCHITECTURE COMMITTEE**

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**2018 HOMES BY ARCHITECTS TOUR TICKETS AVAILABLE**

Buy your tour tickets online and save \$5! Tickets are \$15 in advance and includes admission to all 17 tour homes for both days of the tour. Learn more at [www.homesbyarchitects.org](http://www.homesbyarchitects.org).

**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR HOMES BY ARCHITECTS TOUR**

We rely on nearly 100 volunteers to run this annual event smoothly! Can you spare 4 hours to help on September 15 or 16? Each volunteer receives a free ticket to the tour plus a \$10 Target gift card. [Learn more »](#)

**WOMEN IN ARCHITECTURE COMMITTEE**

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**Q3 NETWORKING SOCIAL**

**Thursday, September 6, 4:30 - 6:30 pm**

**Nye's Bar, Minneapolis**

Gather with colleagues to catch up or expand your professional network at this informal social gathering hosted by the AIA Minnesota Women in Architecture Committee. Catch a tour of Nye's Bar at 5:30 pm. [Learn more »](#)



*Left to right: Juliane Wolf, Robert Katchur, Bryan C. Lee, Jr.*

## **A'18 MN: THE MINNESOTA CONFERENCE ON ARCHITECTURE**

**November 13-16, 2018**

**Minneapolis Convention Center**

The four days will be packed with continuing education opportunities including keynotes, panels, interactive workshops, and special program tracks.

### **ATTEND EACH DAY'S KEYNOTE ADDRESS**

Tuesday: Juliane Wolf, Studio Gang, Chicago

Wednesday: Robert Katchur, Diller Scofidio + Renfro, New York City

Thursday: Honor Awards Jury

Friday: Bryan C. Lee, Jr., Assoc. AIA, Colloqate Design, New Orleans

Bonus Keynote Tuesday at 6:00 pm: Mayoral Forum on Affordable Housing

### **CONFERENCE HOTEL**

A block of rooms with a special discounted rate has been reserved for our Conference attendees at The Hilton Minneapolis.

<https://book.passkey.com/go/aiamnconvention> or call 1-888-933-5363

Group code: AIA

Cut-off date: October 23, 2018

### **EXHIBIT HALL INFORMATION**

Exhibit booths are filling up. This is the best place to showcase your product or service in person to our 1,500 attendees! We are featuring a special section in the Nov/Dec edition of Architecture MN magazine where you can promote your product or service to our readers. For more information, [click here »](#)

Watch for details on additional opportunities to sponsor program tracks, tours, lead retrieval and more.

[Click here](#) to find details, sponsorship opportunities, floor plan, and more. [Click here](#) for the direct link to the online registration page. For more information, contact [Pam Nelson](#).

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## AFFILIATED ORGANIZATION NEWS

### CALL FOR MENTORS! MENTOR A UMN DESIGN STUDENT

**Applications preferred by October 1**

**Kickoff event: November 6, 6:30-8:30 PM**

We're seeking mentors to work with juniors, seniors, and graduate students in architecture, landscape architecture, interior design and other design disciplines. [Learn more and apply »](#)

### 2018 MN CLIMATE ADAPTATION AWARD DEADLINE EXTENDED

Architects play a leading role in protecting our communities against the impact of climate change by implementing green building practices. The Minnesota Climate Adaptation Partnership is seeking nominations to recognize achievements in leadership, education, research, policies, or practices that improve resilience and advance climate adaptation in Minnesota. Nominations are due via email by September 12. [Learn more »](#)

## UPCOMING EVENTS

[MSR NEXT DESIGN FORUM: THE ROLE OF PUBLIC BUILDINGS AND SPACES IN CREATING EQUITABLE CITIES SEPTEMBER 20 »](#)

[UMN DAY OF SERVICE | DESIGN FORWARD SEPTEMBER 29 »](#)

[UMN SCHOOL OF ARCHITECTURE LECTURE SERIES | DECENTERED CENTER OCTOBER 1-NOVEMBER 26 »](#)

[BUILT ENVIRONMENT CAREER FAIR OCTOBER 5 »](#)

[RAPSON HALL STUDIO CRAWL AND HOMECOMING PARTY OCTOBER 5 »](#)

[RURAL DESIGN AND URBAN DESIGN: HEALING THE DIVIDE \(DEWEY THORBECK\) OCTOBER 15 »](#)

## OTHER UPCOMING EVENTS

Visit the [AIA Minnesota Events Calendar](#) for more information about upcoming events, including:

- APA 2018 Upper Midwest Regional Planning Conference Sept. 25-28

- Fire Station Design Symposium and Awards Sept. 24-26
- EcoDistricts Summit Oct. 17-18
- Architectural LED Lighting Show Oct. 25-26



## CHECK OUT THE LATEST ISSUE OF [ARCHITECTURE MN](#).

The September/October 2018 issue of *Architecture MN* features a preview of the 2018 Homes by Architects Tour, an inside look at use of VR in designing for disability, and the latest trends in urban apartment building design. [See a preview](#).

### ADVERTISING OPPORTUNITIES

The Nov/Dec issue of *Architecture MN* Magazine will feature affordable and supportive housing. There will be a special section showcasing Conference exhibitor products and services. This issue also includes the Directory of General Contractors. [Media kit and directory form »](#)


Deadline is September 7 for ad reservation. Contact [Pam Nelson](#) to reserve your ad or to get in past deadline.

For the media kit with details and deadlines, [click here »](#)

### Stay caught up with AIA Minnesota on Social Media

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

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NOVEMBER Matrix editorial deadline is Friday, October 19.

Please submit content to **[AIA Minnesota](#)**.



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