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Small Moments

Mary-Margaret Zindren, Hon. AIAMN, EVP/Executive Director



Often within the biggest gatherings it is the small moments that matter most.

At our Summer Awards Celebration last week, nearly 120 people gathered to congratulate individual award winners and to recognize national AIA award-winning projects.

Seeing your project on the big screen, going up to receive a plaque to the applause of a crowd; these are special moments, no doubt.

But I was most struck by the brief moments of individual connection; when mentors and mentees reconnected with hugs and words of gratitude. I was moved by being introduced to family members of volunteer leaders being honored and seeing the pride in their eyes.

Similarly, this year's STEM Day at the Minnesota State Fair involved connecting with hundreds of youth, introducing them to design and designers. But within that volume of engagement it is the small moments that stick with you. Hearing a child tell their parent, "Just two more minutes" with a focused tone that says they are in it; they are solving a design problem; they are being introduced to a new part of themselves that finds joy in the challenge. And the parents who, having stood by for 30 minutes look to the encouraging, patient volunteer and whisper, "Thank you."

We have more big events coming up soon: the [Homes by Architects Tour](#) September 19-20. A special [October 1 gathering](#) to celebrate the release of AIA St. Paul's Mentorship Task Force Report and to introduce students, emerging professionals, and the broader AIA Minnesota membership to our new office complex. The [Annual Conference November 9-12](#). And many other events related to the Next Gen Initiative and our committees and knowledge communities.

Each of these events involves planning for a crowd. But what will make them great – meaningful, memorable, potentially career-shaping – is the small moments of connection.

You can be that moment maker for someone. Your presence matters; and being truly present matters even more.

So come on along! RSVP that you're coming, grab a beverage and a bite, and make it a point to make some new connections. In aiming to make others feel part of this architecture community, you just might experience a deeper feeling of connection, too.

CALL TO ACTION

Call for Leaders in 2027

AIA Minnesota is seeking applications for officer and board leadership positions that will begin January 1, 2027. This is an opportunity to grow your leadership skills, expand the circle of professionals you work with, and raise your profile in the community. Serving on the AIA Minnesota Board offers you opportunity to engage in key decisions as we model the desired culture of the profession and business practices that are sustainable, continue to serve the interests of current members, to shape a profession where all can thrive, make architecture accessible, understandable, and highly valued, and take bold action to address climate change—in our organization, in our profession, and in our communities. **Application deadline is September 18.** [Learn more and apply online »](#)

Open AIA Minnesota Officer/Board Leadership Positions for 2027:

- **President-Elect.** A three-year commitment as President-elect, President, and Past President. Position open to AIA, Associate, or FAIA members in good standing.
- **Treasurer.** Position open to AIA, Associate, or FAIA members in good standing.

Note on Proposed Bylaws Change: The Board is considering a proposed Bylaws amendment to institute staggered, alternating two-year terms for the Treasurer and Secretary positions. If approved by the membership at the annual meeting, the transition plan will establish a two-year term for the Treasurer (while the Secretary will serve a one-year renewable term).

- **Secretary.** A one-year term, with the possibility of re-election for a second term. Position open to AIA, Associate, or FAIA members in good standing.
- **Associate Director.** A one-year term, with the possibility of re-election for a second year. Position exclusively open to Associate AIA members in good standing. If an individual in this role becomes a licensed architect during their tenure, they are permitted to retain their seat on the Board for the remainder of their term.

Honor Awards Submissions Due September 25

Since 1954, AIA Minnesota has recognized outstanding architecture and urban design through its annual Honor Awards Program. We invite firms to submit their best recent work for consideration for an AIA Minnesota Honor Award.

The Honor Awards program celebrates exceptional built projects designed by AIA Minnesota members or by firms owned by AIA Minnesota members. We encourage participation from firms of all sizes and from both emerging and established practitioners.

Submissions for the 2026 Honor Awards will close at **12:00 pm (noon) Central on Friday, September 25.** [Learn more »](#)



Taboo Terminology

Friday, September 11, 12:00 pm

[Virtual Meeting](#)

All AIA Minnesota members are welcome at the Committee on the Environment meeting this month!

Join us for Taboo Terminology presented by Garrett Ferguson and Julie Hendricks with JLL. This will be an interactive session; come ready to play!

People judge you by the words you use. We have all encountered resistance to the terminology of green buildings, where some people see LEED as a four letter word. In today's polarized climate, even the words "sustainability" and "climate change" can spark resistance. Yet, the urgent need to address environmental challenges, enhance building performance, and promote responsible business practices remains. Our challenge is to implement these vital concepts effectively, regardless of the terminology we use.

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experience the skyways differently. How does utilization differ pre- and post-pandemic, and who has disproportionately experienced negative impacts? How does ownership and financial influence over the skyway system shape its design and potential improvements? How much of the skyway experience relates to one's gender, race, sexual orientation, disability status, immigration or resident status, housing vulnerability, etc.?

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The tour route will start at the main lobby of the historic section of the Union Depot building, 214 4th St E, Saint Paul, and make our way through downtown skyways.

[Register »](#)



Homes by Architects Tour

Support your peers in residential architecture and explore the best of home design on this year's [Homes by Architects Tour](#), in person on September 19 and 20 and virtual on September 19–October 4. [Get your tickets »](#)

VOLUNTEER FOR THE TOUR

We still need volunteers for the tour! [Learn more and sign up »](#)

Thank you to the Homes by Architects Tour Gold Sponsor, [Erotas Custom Building](#), and Silver Sponsor, [Synergy Products](#)! [Learn more about event supporters »](#)

Next Gen End of the Summer Celebration

Friday, September 25, 2026 5:00 pm

[CannonDesign, Minneapolis](#)

Join us!

Social Hour: 5:00 pm, CannonDesign

Minnesota Twins Game: 7:00 pm, Target Field, Minneapolis

Are you a Next Gen or Emerging Professional AIA Minnesota member? Are you a member new to Minnesota looking to connect with our community? This event is for you!

Join us for our Next Gen Fall Welcome event on Friday, September 25, 2026. We'll start the evening with networking during a pre-game Social Hour hosted by CannonDesign, followed by an evening at Target Field to cheer on the Minnesota Twins. Whether you're an architecture student, emerging professional, new to the area, or looking to connect with peers across the local architecture community, all are welcome!

CannonDesign has graciously provided 30 tickets for the Twin Game and are available for the first 30 registrations who plan to attend the Twins game.

Flexible attendance: Feel free to join us for the Social Hour, the Twins game, or both!

[Share your intention to attend one or both events »](#)



New Office Welcome Social + Next Gen Mentorship Event

**Thursday, October 1, 4:30 - 6:00 pm
Riverplace**

Join members for an informal evening celebrating the release of AIA St Paul's Mentorship Guide. We'll gather at the recently renovated AIA Minnesota offices in Riverplace Center, with time to meet other

members, connect across experience levels, and talk about mentorship in the profession. Whether you're an emerging professional, a newly licensed architect, or a long-time practitioner, this is a chance to build new connections, share perspectives, and check out AIA Minnesota's refreshed office space.

A collaboration between AIA Minnesota and AIA St. Paul.

[Register to attend »](#)

A'26 MN: THE MINNESOTA CONFERENCE ON ARCHITECTURE



A'26 MN Conference

A'26 MN Conference – November 9 - 11

Conference registration is opening in the next few weeks! Watch your email for your opportunity to sign up for this year's Conference, coming in September!

The Conference CE Committee has been meeting weekly to identify and select continuing education programs that include a keynote presentation each day, tours,

workshops and speakers and panels presenting information on codes, ethics, technology, sustainability, and practice management and innovative design.

This year, make it easy on yourself and consider staying overnight at [The Depot Renaissance Hotel](#) offering a special discounted rate and providing you with a luxury convenience. **Discount room block rates close October 9.**

Sponsor the Conference

Sponsor opportunities include CE programs, tours, keynote speakers, chapter lunches, coffee hours, and our annual Awards Event! Explore details and to register for a sponsorship. [View sponsorship opportunities »](#)

ANNOUNCEMENTS



STEM Day at the Fair: Wolf Duck Debut

This year's youth outreach booth at STEM Day at the State Fair had a new activity designed and produced by **Angela Wolf Scott, FAIA**, and **Kelly Martinez, AIA**: creating a home for a fearsome yet adorable creature, the "wolf duck"! Young people (and some young at heart) enjoyed designing and building a

home for their wolf duck and the first 1,000 participants also got to take one home.

Many thanks to our STEM Day booth volunteers:

Gretchen Camp, AIA
Catherine Groth, Assoc. AIA
Mindy Hart, AIA
Kaitlyn Janisch, AIA
Kelly Martinez, AIA
Joe Miller, AIA
Sara Phillips, AIA
Megan Schires, AIA
Ashley Vanden Bosch, AIA
Kristine Wentworth, AIA
Angela Wolf Scott, FAIA
Pwapedeino Wonosikou, Assoc. AIA
Michelle Wood, Assoc. AIA
Ellie Ziaie, AIA

And an extra special thanks to the volunteers who 3D printed wolf ducks in the days leading up to the fair:

Oliver Bies (*connected through Kelly Martinez, AIA*)
Franco Garcia, Assoc. AIA (*connected through Ellie Ziaie, AIA*)
Erin Moren, Fabrication Manager, Dunwoody School of Design (*connected through Pwapedeino Wonosikou, Assoc. AIA*)

Unlock Your Next Opportunity with the Job Bank

Whether you're seeking a job or looking to hire new employees, the AIA Minnesota Job Bank is your FREE connection to talent and opportunities in Minnesota's architecture and design community.

Firms & Companies: [Start posting your open positions today »](#)

Job Seekers: [Begin your search for your next job now »](#)

MINNESOTA ARCHITECTURAL FOUNDATION



Clarence Wigington Scholars Announced

The Minnesota Architectural Foundation (MAF) awards Clarence Wigington Architectural scholarships to promising architecture students with financial need who honor the legacy of Clarence Wigington—Minnesota's first Black architect—through clear commitment to excellence and inclusion in the profession. After reviewing this year's applicants, the committee selected three recipients, each of whom will receive \$3,500 per semester, contingent upon continued academic standing.

- **Abdullahi Hussein**, a University of Minnesota architecture student with two years remaining in the Masters of Architecture.
- **Bianca Bravo**, a student at Dunwoody College of Technology with one year remaining in her Bachelor of Architecture program.
- **Immanuel Bhonsle**, a Dunwoody College of Technology architecture student headed into his final year of the Architecture program.

Music, Art, and Community: You're Invited to the MAF BHB Fundraising Silent Art Auction

Thursday, October 8, 5:00pm

Riverplace

[Share your intention to attend »](#)

Celebrate 25 years of architectural leadership at the MAF Beverly Hauschild-Baron Fundraising Silent Art Auction at Riverplace in Minneapolis. Join us for an evening of music, community, and art as we honor Beverly's enduring legacy and work to reach our expanded \$37,000 fundraising goal. Place your bid on unique artworks contributed by Minnesota's architecture community to take home a piece for your collection—every bid and donation directly invests in the next generation of leaders. In addition to art and music, there will be beverages and snacks to share in celebration.

MAF Call for Leadership

The Minnesota Architectural Foundation (MAF) is seeking board leadership positions that will begin January 1, 2027. AIA, Assoc. AIA members, and non-members are all

eligible. By joining the leadership team, you will be engaged in key decisions as we continue to implement the Foundation's strategic direction. Anyone interested in being considered for an MAF position should submit a letter of interest no later than **Friday, September 18, 2026** to MAF@MinnesotaArchitecturalFoundation.org.

CONTINUING EDUCATION

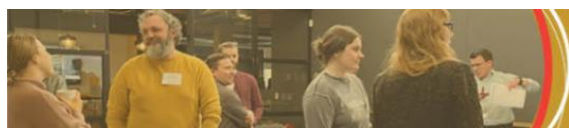


Continuing Education

AIA MINNESOTA ON-DEMAND WEBINARS

Use AIA Minnesota's on-demand webinars to help you meet your continuing education requirements. Eleven on-demand webinars are available and all provide HSW credits, Ethics content, or both. These webinars are recordings from recent AIA Minnesota Conference programs, all of which were highly rated. For more details visit, [AIA Minnesota On-Demand Webinars »](#)

LEADERSHIP FORUM



Leadership Forum

PLANNING FOR 2027

We are looking forward and starting to plan for year 18 of the AIA Minnesota Leadership Forum.

The Leadership Forum develops and fosters leadership skills of mid-career members of AIA Minnesota and MSP NOMA. The content of the curriculum provides insight and tools for growth in the areas of leadership styles, values, self-awareness, intercultural leadership, communication, motivation, and engagement.

Eligibility requirements are:

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

Applications will open in October. 16 applicants will be selected to be a part of the 2027 cohort. Begin to think about whether you or someone else in your firm should consider applying.

Questions? Contact [Deanna Christiansen](#).

NATIONAL & LOCAL CHAPTER UPDATES

14 AIA AWARDS OPEN FOR SUBMISSIONS

Applications are open for 14 AIA Awards, but deadlines are approaching fast. Don't miss this opportunity to elevate your professional reputation to the top of the architecture field, gain premier visibility for your work, and open new doors for growth, networking, and long-term career development.

- Awards with October 1 deadlines: Fellowship, Honorary Fellowship
- Awards with November 3 deadlines: AIA/ALA Library Building Award, Architecture Award, COTE Top Ten Award, Design for Aging Award, Education Facility Design Award, Healthcare Design Award, Housing Award, Interior Architecture Award, Justice Facility Award, Regional & Urban Design Award, Small Project Award, Twenty-Five Year Award

[Learn more and apply »](#)

COTE TOP TEN AWARDS DDx DEMO AND OPEN OFFICE HOURS

Last year, the COTE Top Ten Framework metrics were integrated into AIA's Design Data Exchange (DDx). This year, improvements were made to streamline data collection, further align with 2030 Commitment fields, and overall improve user experience! Whether you are a previous submitter or a first-time applicant, please join us for an upcoming demo and open office hour to see how the online platform helps architects calculate performance metrics across the AIA Framework for Design Excellence Principles for the COTE Top Ten Award submission and as a tool in your design process.

- **Wed, Sep 2 | 3 pm | [Register here »](#)**
- **Tues, Oct 6 | 2 pm | [Register here »](#)**

Please also complete a survey prior to the call, so we know who will be in the audience!
[Complete survey here »](#)

CRAN SYMPOSIUM REGISTRATION OPEN

September 23–26

San Antonio, TX

The annual CRAN Symposium brings together residential architects and allied professionals from across the country. The symposium provides opportunities to network, share ideas, and gain insights into the ever-changing residential markets. Join CRAN for three days of curated seminars, inspiring home tours, special networking events, and an innovative vendor showcase.

[Learn more and register »](#)



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AIA MINNEAPOLIS

OPEN BOARD POSITIONS IN 2027

Seeking AIA Minneapolis members interested in leadership opportunities at the local chapter!

Members are encouraged to express interest by September 18, 2026. A follow-up call or meeting with a current leader will be set up to talk about the various opportunities available and your interest in serving. [Share your interest in leadership »](#)

AIA NORTHERN MINNESOTA



GOLF OUTING SUCCESS

The 2026 golf outing raised nearly \$16,000 for the chapter's architecture scholarships, making it our most successful fundraiser yet. Thank you to all of the golfers, [sponsors](#), and volunteers who contributed to this success! See team photos [here](#). Stay tuned for exciting updates on next year's golf outing at a new location and month: Ridgeview Country Club in September 2027.

CALL FOR TOURS!

Have an under-construction or recently completed project you'd like to share with chapter members? We're looking for project tours! Email board president [Melissa Lefebvre, AIA](#), with your suggestion.

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AIA SAINT PAUL

NEW OFFICE WELCOME SOCIAL + NEXT GEN MENTORSHIP

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Riverplace, Minneapolis

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COMMITTEE AND KNOWLEDGE COMMUNITY UPDATES

ARCHITECT LICENSING ADVISORY COMMITTEE

NO COMMITTEE MEETING IN SEPTEMBER

LATTES AND LICENSURE

Wednesday, September 16, 12:00 pm

[Virtual meeting](#)

Enjoy a mid-day cup of coffee or grab yourself a bite to eat for lunch and be a part of our next virtual Lattes + Licensure. Join up with others in a safe space to share your experiences, exchange knowledge, and celebrate the wins - big and small as you make your way to licensure. No need to sign up in advance for this virtual [Lattes + Licensure](#).

RESCHEDULED: ALA CORE COMPETENCY SESSION #3: BUSINESS AND FINANCE

Wednesday, September 23, 4:00 pm

DJ Heinle, AIA, vice president, architecture division for TKDA will address topics that will include profit and loss accounting, invoicing contract, and utilization rates with a practice management and project management focus. It's free! Plan to attend either virtually or in person at the office of TKDA. [For more details »](#)

BUILDING CODES KNOWLEDGE COMMUNITY

Wednesday, September 9, 12:00 pm

[Virtual Meeting](#)

Topic: Conservation of existing buildings code book and comparing the two approaches for using the book

COMMITTEE ON DESIGN

Thursday, September 10, 12:00 pm

[Virtual Meeting](#)

COMMITTEE ON EQUITY IN THE BUILT ENVIRONMENT (EBE)

COMMITTEE MEETING

Tuesday, September 15, 3:30 pm

[Virtual Meeting](#)



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EMERGING PROFESSIONALS COMMITTEE

Meets quarterly in February, May, September, and December on the second Tuesday of the month, 12:00 pm

Tuesday, September 8, 12:00 pm

[Virtual meeting](#)

COUNCIL OF FIRMS KNOWLEDGE COMMUNITY

Monday, September 14, 12:00 pm

[Virtual Meeting](#)

Discussion topic: Standardization vs. Craft. Efficiency is often framed as the enemy of creativity. This discussion will unpack where systems actually support better design and where they flatten it.

ENTER COMMITTEE

NO COMMITTEE MEETING IN SEPTEMBER

Next Meeting: Friday, October 23.

GOVERNMENT AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

Tuesday, September 15, 12:00 pm
[Virtual Meeting](#)

HEALTH DESIGN KNOWLEDGE COMMUNITY

HAPPY HOUR & PANEL DISCUSSION ON DEMOUNTABLE WALL SYSTEMS

Thursday, September 24, 3:30 pm

[RSP Architects](#)

Panelists to include Contractors, Owners, Demountable Wall Systems Experts
For more details and to register visit [here](#).

HOUSING ADVOCACY COMMITTEE

Wednesday, September 2, 12:00 pm

[Virtual Meeting](#)

LAKE SUPERIOR DESIGN RETREAT COMMITTEE

Monday, September 21, 11:30 am

[Virtual Meeting](#)

MINNESOTA CUSTOM RESIDENTIAL ARCHITECTS NETWORK (CRAN)

Tuesday, September 1, 12:00

[Virtual Meeting](#)

NAME CHANGE

After committee feedback over multiple months, a vote, and AIA Minnesota board approval, the Residential Architecture Committee's name has been officially changed to Minnesota Custom Residential Architects Network (CRAN), to better identify the committee as a CRAN chapter.

COMMITTEE HAPPY HOUR

Wednesday, September 9, 5:00–7:00 pm

[Dual Citizen Brewing Company](#), St. Paul

No need to RSVP, but you can share this event posting [here »](#)

VOLUNTEER FOR THE HOMES BY ARCHITECTS TOUR

Support your peers and contribute to the success of this year's tour! Committee members are eligible for two volunteer roles:

- **Greeter:** Stationed at the check-in table at one tour home. Open to the public. [Learn more and sign up »](#)
- **Committee Ambassador:** Check in with a small group of homes during your shift. Committee members, AIA Minnesota members, and AIA Minnesota staff only. [Learn more and sign up »](#)

CALL FOR BEHIND THE BUILD TOURS

Have a residential project under construction you'd like to share with AIA Minnesota members and students? Submit it for a CRAN Behind the Build Tour! Contact [Ann Mayhew](#) or a [committee co-chair](#) to learn more.

CRAN SYMPOSIUM REGISTRATION OPEN

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Minnesota CRAN is a chapter of AIA CRAN, the Custom Residential Architects Network. [Learn more about CRAN and access its forums and resources »](#)

MINNESOTA DESIGN TEAM COMMITTEE (MDT)

NO COMMITTEE MEETING IN SEPTEMBER

SPOTLIGHT ON HOUSTON, MN VISIT

Big things are ahead for Houston, MN as MDT returns Sept 24–26 for Visit #3! Co-led by Katie Kangas, AIA, Emily Northey, and Amber Egofske, AIA, this visit focuses on downtown main street upgrades, the new International Owl Center facility, housing growth, and youth engagement. We're putting the final touches on our team—apply today to grab one of the few remaining volunteer spots! [Sign up to volunteer today »](#)

TECHNOLOGY IN ARCHITECTURE PRACTICE KNOWLEDGE COMMUNITY

The Technology in Architecture Practice (TAP) Knowledge Community is back!

Andy Wise, Assoc. AIA, from Mortenson and **Timothy Halvorson, Assoc. AIA**, from 7fold, will co-chair the KC, bringing leadership from both the contractor and architecture perspectives. The goal is to foster a safe environment that makes room to explore experimenting with technology, which is vital to modern building practice. We want to hear from you! **Be on the lookout for a survey** that will guide which topics we unpack first.

All are welcome! Whether you're an architect, contractor, educator, lawyer, or manufacturer, we invite you to participate in this collaboration-first focused community. Get on the email list to stay in the loop for all things TAP Minnesota! Simply email [Deanna Christiansen, Hon. AIAMN](#) to express your interest.

WOMEN IN ARCHITECTURE COMMITTEE

Wednesday, September 16, 12:00 pm

[Virtual Meeting](#)

YOUTH IN ARCHITECTURE COMMITTEE

Thursday, September 17, 12:00 pm

[Virtual Meeting](#)

PEOPLE & FIRMS

WELCOME OUR NEWEST MEMBERS!

Anyssa Autenrieb, Assoc. AIA
Maria Berg, Assoc. AIA
Kara Hand, Assoc. AIA

Adam Reynolds, AIA
Jonathon Wold, AIA
Danny Xayachack, Assoc. AIA

AFFILIATED ORGANIZATION NEWS & EVENTS

[UMN CE OPPORTUNITY: RESILIENCE BY DESIGN: CLIMATE ADAPTATION FOR THE BUILT ENVIRONMENT SEPTEMBER 14 »](#)

[THE LUMINARY SOCIETY: FRANK LLOYD WRIGHT'S NIELS HOUSE ON CEDAR LAKE SEPTEMBER 21 »](#)

Mentor an Architecture Student!

Work one-on-one with a UMN undergrad or grad student in architecture to help them grow professionally through career exploration, networking, project and portfolio reviews, skill-building, and more. Applications are preferred by September 30. Mentor meetings can take place in person or virtually. Learn more at design.umn.edu/mentor »

Built Environment Career & Internship Fair

Friday, October 2, 2026, 10 AM - 2 PM

Employer Registration Deadline: September 25, 2026

Recruit students and recent grads from the fields of Construction Management, Facilities Management, Architecture, Building Science, Civil Engineering, Interior Design, and Landscape Architecture. Meet over 300 students from upper midwest schools in these disciplines. [Learn more and register »](#)

Architecture, Landscape Architecture & Interior Design Lecture Series

Mondays, 4:30 PM

100 Rapson Hall, 89 Church Street, Minneapolis (UMN East Bank campus)

Join us for a year-long series of public lectures by industry leaders. The following dates have been confirmed, and more are on the way!

- October 12 - Seth Denizen & Montserrat Bonvehi Rosich, authors of *Thinking through Soil* and faculty at WashU
- November 2 - Yasmin Vobis, Ultramoderne and UC Berkeley
- November 9 - Jeffrey Day, NormalAC
- April 12 - Joyce Hwang, University of Buffalo

Mark your calendar and watch for details at design.umn.edu/events »

UMN ONLINE RESOURCES

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

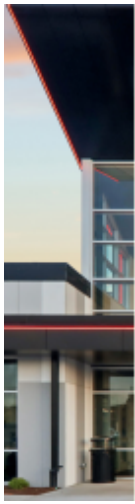
UMN CAREER AND INTERNSHIP RESOURCES

Employers with jobs, internships, or smaller, project-based micro-internships are encouraged to post opportunities for students and recent grads at careerhelp.umn.edu.

UPCOMING EVENTS

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

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