

AIA MINNESOTA MATRIX NEWSLETTER

March 2023

COLLECTIVE LEADERSHIP

By Sam Olbekson, AIA, NOMA, AIA Minnesota President



As a community of design professionals we learn every day, often when we least expect it. The curiosity that drives us to be designers and problem solvers offers endless opportunities to gain valuable knowledge and insight into how we can grow individually and as a profession to better serve our communities. Our collective knowledge comes from a vast range of experiences from working on projects in our own neighborhoods throughout Minnesota, to projects of

all types and sizes throughout the world. We serve a wide range of clients from small non-profit organizations excited about the seed of an idea but with no idea where to begin, to experienced developers with a clear set of expectations for process and results. Our varied professional and personal experiences create an important and valuable knowledge base.

The real value of this collective wisdom is when it is shared and when that knowledge directly impacts and inspires our actions. Lessons learned through our success and failures offer an important opportunity for our profession to have meaningful conversations about how we can better serve our communities, build stronger firms, and create a more connected professional community. How do we create more effective opportunities to share this knowledge and learn from each other? What resources can AIA Minnesota offer to create space for important conversations and meaningful dialogue that can help us leverage our knowledge?

I invite all of you to be part of this conversation through active participation in our professional community. As AIA Minnesota president I have had the opportunity to engage more deeply in the work of the organization and have seen that our strength depends on the commitment, participation, and collective leadership of our members. Coming together as a community of design professionals and turning individual experiences into shared knowledge through important committee work, community events, conferences, and other service-based work is critical to the success of the organization. We are all related as design professionals, and there are many opportunities to share, teach, listen, and collectively lead to better serve our communities.



Five Minnesota Architects Elevated to Fellowship

Congratulations to the five Minnesota architects elevated to Fellowship in 2023: **Abi Asojo, FAIA; James Garrett, Jr., FAIA, NOMA; Richard Graves, FAIA; Todd Grover, FAIA; and Nathan Johnson, FAIA, NOMA.** These newly elevated Fellows will be celebrated at the AIA National Conference and with a special reception in Minnesota in April. [Learn more »](#)

CALL TO ACTION



NILP 2023 Begins in April: Reserve Your Seat Now

AIA Minnesota is pleased to host this cutting-edge skill-building program for leaders, change-makers, and professionals in the architecture industry who wish to practice inclusive leadership and create lasting culture change among their firms and organizations.

Over nine virtual sessions, the NILP helps individuals expand their abilities to lead inclusively and develop greater intercultural competence. The program also strengthens participants' effectiveness at creating a culture of equity, belonging, and authenticity. [Register now as space is limited »](#)

Apply Today for FY2024 NCARB Committees

The National Council of Architectural Registration Boards (NCARB) is now accepting applications for volunteers to serve on committees for the upcoming fiscal year of July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2024.

Service on an NCARB committee is a rewarding opportunity to contribute to the development of policies that impact the licensure process and help strengthen the

protection of the public. In addition, volunteers gain a deeper understanding of the work the Council conducts on behalf of licensing boards and the public, while learning best practices from their peers around the country.

Whether a returning volunteer, recently licensed architect, or new to the NCARB community, AIA Minnesota members' diverse background and experience will greatly contribute to the evolution of sound programs and policies. AIA Minnesota members are encouraged to consider taking part in this opportunity to work together to develop national model programs and standards that protect the health, safety, and welfare of the public.

The topics and time commitments vary by committee, allowing plenty of flexible options to consider. Meeting locations and in-person or virtual attendance options will vary. [View a description of each committee's work »](#)

Those interested in serving on an NCARB committee must complete the online Committee Application by March 10, 2023. Applicants will be notified in April regarding the status of their application and will be asked at that time to confirm their interest and availability for the committee to which they have been appointed. [Apply today »](#)

Call for Fellowship Candidates

Have you made a significant contribution to the architecture and design profession? You can become a member of the [AIA College of Fellows](#). AIA Fellows are recognized with the AIA's highest membership honor for their exceptional work and contributions to architecture and design. The honor of FAIA after your name is unparalleled and the judging is rigorous. If you want to learn more about the process and receive advice throughout the nomination process, let the AIA Minnesota Fellows Advisory Group help. Notify [Amber Allardyce](#) of your interest and be included on the upcoming meeting announcements.

Minneapolis Preservation Awards Celebration

Wednesday, March 15, 5:00 – 8:00 pm

[Capri Theater](#)

You are invited to join AIA Minneapolis, Minneapolis Heritage Preservation Commission, and Preserve Minneapolis as we celebrate history for the annual Minneapolis Preservation Awards recognition party! [Register to attend »](#)

Residential Architect of Distinction Award Call for Nominations

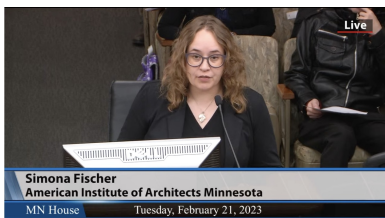
Are you a residential architect, or do you know a residential architect, who deserves recognition for their achievements? The Residential Architect of Distinction Award (previously the annual Architect of Distinction Award) is given every two years to a residential architect, licensed for more than 15 years, who has demonstrated a mastery of architecture through design, craft, and materials, and who has made significant contributions to the advancement of residential design. **Entries for the award close on Friday, March 17, at 12:00 pm CT.** [Learn more and submit now »](#)



Government Affairs Updates

Climate Action Prominent in Legislative Priorities

The 2023 legislative session has had a heavy emphasis on climate action, with bills related to resilience, expanded support for renewables, acceleration of the commercial energy code adoption process, and tax incentives for energy efficient residential and commercial energy upgrades.



Accelerated Energy Code Advances

Tate Walker, AIA, and **Simona Fischer, AIA**, testified in support of accelerating the commercial energy code review process in House committees in February. Senate action on the companion bill is expected in March.

Capital Investment Outlook

Capital investment bills are moving rapidly through the House and Senate, and the House plans to hear their bill on the floor in early March. Both bills include projects that were submitted in the 2022 session. Watch for more information as the session continues to unfold.



Historic Preservation Tax Credit Update

The reinstatement of the Historic Preservation Tax Credit is also making its way through the legislative process. **Michelle Baltus Pridbyl, AIA**, testified on behalf of AIA Minnesota in the House Tax Committee, noting the many affordable housing projects that included the tax credit in their funding. More action is expected on this provision as session progresses.

There is always need for architects to share their knowledge and experience with legislators during the session; if you are interested in participating in our advocacy efforts, please join us for a Government Affairs Committee meeting (details below) or contact [Sheri Hansen](#).



a partnership benefitting members

Free Subscription to BuildingGreen Sustainable Design Resources

AIA Minneapolis – in collaboration with AIA Northern Minnesota and AIA St. Paul – is excited to announce that all AIA Minnesota members can now enjoy a FREE one-year subscription to the online content of [BuildingGreen](#), a company that provides a robust online repository of reports, articles, and webinars on all sustainable design topics. [Learn more and begin your subscription »](#)

Hennepin County Offers Building Reuse Grants

Hennepin County has grants available to developers and property owners for deconstruction and [used building materials installation](#). Grants are available for [residential](#) and [commercial](#) deconstruction. [Learn more »](#)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Search for Shelter



Search for Shelter 2023 Provides Design for Five Nonprofit Housing Agencies

40 volunteers completed design projects for five nonprofit housing agencies in February. Projects ranged from infill redevelopment planning to facility renovation. Participating agencies:

- Hamline Midway Coalition
- Interfaith Action of Greater St. Paul
- Lyndale Neighborhood Association
- Solid Ground
- Stepping On Up

[See the final boards »](#)



Lake Superior Design Retreat

Thank you to the attendees, speakers, committee members, and sponsors who made this year's LSDR a success! On February 24–25 in Duluth, approximately 80 people attended six presentations on topics ranging from Indigenous architecture to sustainable material consumption and repair to theater. Activities also included a visit to the Tweed Museum of Art, a sock-darning workshop, a group dinner at CF Design, and reception.

Did you attend the Retreat?

[Share your experience here »](#)

[Fill out the CE Attendance Verification Form here »](#)



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2023 ENTER Print Annual Publication — Reach community leaders & influencers!

Reserve your ad now in this once-a-year print publication featuring thought-provoking articles, inspiring community profiles and a showcase of the 2022 Honor Awards projects. The AIA Minnesota Firm Directory and Consultants Directory are

also included. Contact [Pam Nelson](#) to reserve your space for the 2023 issue now.

Great place for firms to advertise!

MINNESOTA ARCHITECTURAL FOUNDATION



Ralph Rapson Traveling Study Fellowship

2023 Ralph Rapson Traveling Study Award

The Minnesota Architectural Foundation is pleased to announce the 2023 Ralph Rapson Traveling Study Award (RRTSA) competition details!

- Application period: March 9 - April 20, 2023
- **Competition dates: Thursday, April 27 - Tuesday, May 9, 2023**
- Initial jury: Thursday, May 18, 2023
- Final jury: Thursday, June 1, 2023

As the result of a board appointed task force comprehensive review of the RRTSA program, MAF is announcing the program with changes that aim at strengthening the program for the future.

This year's RRTSA changes include a shift in calendar dates, expanded timeframe, and finalist stipends. Additional adopted recommendations that will be phased in over 2023 and 2024 relate to advance notice of competition dates, jury composition, development of the brief, selection process, and broadly sharing the competition submittals.

[Learn more](#) about the competition and apply starting March 9!

LEADERSHIP FORUM

Leadership Forum Focuses on Intercultural Development

The February session of the 2023 Leadership Forum focused on Intercultural Development with Angie McKinley, a certified administrator of the Intercultural Development Inventory (IDI) Assessment and the Intercultural Conflict Style Inventory (ICS). It was a full day of learning and small and full group discussions. The session included building self-awareness of our cultural identities, exploring dominant vs. non-dominant culture, cultural values at work and in our profession, and navigating conflict and knowing your conflict style.

Many thanks to Angie for sharing her time and expertise, as well as to our 2023 Leadership Forum advisor, **Damaris Hollingsworth, AIA, NOMA**, and co-advisor, **Steven Wolf, AIA**. And much appreciation to **RSP** for the use of their space and assistance from their staff.

Upcoming CE Opportunities

Details and links will be posted [online](#) as they become available.

Questions? Contact [Deanna Christiansen](#)

Community-Led Urbanism as a Foundation for Equitable and Regenerative Cities

Wednesday, March 8, 4:00 pm to 5:30 pm

1.5 HSW Learning Units, Virtual Meeting

[Details and registration »](#)

This presentation was scheduled to be the closing keynote address at the A'22 MN Conference. Due to illness, the presentation was canceled and is now being rescheduled to take place in March.

From urban cohousing in Vienna and cooperative precincts in Zurich to community land trusts in London and architect-led housing in Melbourne, [Jason Twill, LEED Fellow](#), will take us on a journey around the world's cities with examples of how these community-led models are changing urban landscapes and setting new exemplars for architectural design excellence. The talk will be followed by a one-on-one conversation between Jason and Paul D. Bauknight, Jr., an urbanist, advocate, community builder, and architectural designer.

Minnesota Conservation Code Overview

Thursday, March 23, 8:30 am to 10:30 am

2.0 HSW Learning Units, Virtual Meeting

[More details and to register »](#)

This seminar will be presented by architect Greg Metz, Minnesota Department of Labor and Industry, Construction Codes and Licensing Division.

Topics covered include:

- Code tracking basics to make sure you're on the right path
- What is required for all projects
- When to use the prescriptive compliance method
- When to use the work area compliance method
- Some little known or misunderstood sections of the work area method that can save you time and money.

Financial Decision Making: Reading, Validating & Interpreting Financial Statements

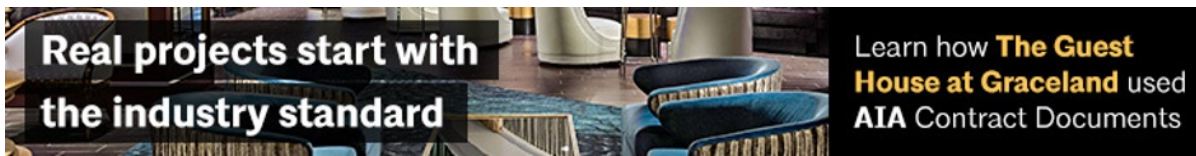
Thursday, April 26, 11:30 am - 1:30 pm

2.0 Learning Units, Virtual Meeting

[More details and to register »](#)

This presentation and expert panel discussion will focus on the main aspects of running a business, with a primary focus on the architecture firm. This course will help attendees become more comfortable reviewing and understanding the accounting and business aspects of both projects and firm finances. The information will be aimed at supporting firm owners, project managers, and existing accounting teams who want to connect the dots between financial statements and firm health.

AIA NATIONAL

**AIA CONFERENCE ON ARCHITECTURE****June 7-10****San Francisco, CA**

The architecture and design event of the year is heading to the beautiful Bay Area June 7-10, 2023. Registration opens soon. [Learn more »](#)

ARCHITECTURE CAN COMBAT LONELINESS**Monday, March 6, 11:00 am**[Virtual Meeting](#)

In a time of hyper connection and communication, many of us report feeling lonely and detached, and there is strong evidence that this has a toxic effect on our health and happiness. Speakers will share an evidence-based framework to design for social connection, examine scalable strategies — some unexpected — that lead to social environments that promote meaningful connections. Huge opportunities await architects who can leverage this knowledge to build a future marked by connections that boost our collective health. [Register »](#)

NEGOTIATION ESSENTIALS: PREPARING TO NEGOTIATE**Tuesday, March 28, 8:00 am - 12:00 pm**

Webinar sponsored by AIA New York

Every negotiation has its own unique set of challenges. Successful negotiations are based on a solid strategic foundation and a proven tactical process. This simple but hard-hitting format, used in today's business world, is a learnable skill critical to success in any business. In this four-hour online interactive workshop, you will learn how to achieve better outcomes by understanding basic negotiation theory and learning negotiation strategies used in uncertain environments with difficult people and succeeding at managing conflict during the negotiation process. [Learn more »](#)

VOLUNTEER AT AIA

Do you know a few great candidates to participate in accreditation team visits? NAAB and AIA are looking for volunteers with interest in architecture education and developing their leadership skills. [Learn more and apply »](#)

YAF NEWSLETTER

The February 2023 newsletter features key dates events, grant opportunities, and more! [View the newsletter »](#)

AIA FUTURE FORWARD GRANT

A two-year pilot project presented by the Large Firm Round Table (LFRT) and the AIA Young Architects Forum (YAF), this grant supports students, emerging professionals, and early-career architects in the testing of new ideas that disrupt the traditional conception of practice, process, and product in the field of architecture. The primary objective of the Future Forward Grant is to perpetuate innovation in the practice of architecture by empowering students, emerging professionals, and early career architects to do things they would not otherwise have the capital or resources to accomplish. Applicants may submit for grants in practice, process, and product categories. **Deadline is Sunday, April 2 at midnight.** [Learn more »](#)

SUBMISSIONS OPEN FOR AIA AWARD PROGRAMS

AIA recognizes and celebrates the best buildings and spaces, and the people behind them, with some of the most prestigious awards in the built environment. Take a look at many of our awards that are currently open for submission, including the Healthcare Design, Interior, and Regional & Urban Design Awards. [Submit today »](#)

AIA NATIONAL PHOTOGRAPHY COMPETITION

The AIA National Photography Competition was founded to capture and honor architects,

design professionals and architectural students whose amazing talents are showcased in their photographic interpretation of the designed environment. The competition is open to all architects actively registered in the United States, AIA Associates, and architecture students at an accredited architecture school. Licensed architects do not have to be an AIA members to enter. Entries due April 3. [Learn more »](#)

MANAGE YOUR CONTACT INFORMATION

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

AIA MINNEAPOLIS

MINNEAPOLIS PRESERVATION AWARDS CELEBRATION

Wednesday, March 15, 5:00 – 8:00 pm

[Capri Theater](#)

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VOLUNTEER FOR DOORS OPEN MINNEAPOLIS

May 13-14, 2023

The first batch of Doors Open Minneapolis volunteer opportunities is now live. Staff your favorite venue or find other ways to support this exciting event! [Volunteer »](#)

For a list of current Doors Open Minneapolis venues, [visit the website »](#)

AIA NORTHERN MINNESOTA



2023 LAKE SUPERIOR DESIGN RETREAT SCHOLARSHIPS

Isabella Nyseth (North Dakota State University) and Jack Weiler (University of Minnesota) attended the AIA Minnesota Lake Superior Design Retreat (LSDR) in Duluth this past weekend as recipients of the AIA Northern Minnesota LSDR student scholarships.

Both of the architecture students are interested in a career in the northern region upon graduation. As scholarship recipients, they will also be meeting with the AIA Northern Minnesota Board of Directors for further networking and connection!

COMMITTEE AND KNOWLEDGE COMMUNITY UPDATES

ARCHITECT LICENSING ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Thursday, March 2, 12:00 pm

[Virtual Meeting](#)

Spring ARE Reviews

ARE 101 – AN INTRODUCTION TO TAKING THE ARCHITECT REGISTRATION EXAM

Tuesday, March 21, 11:30 am - 1:00 pm

This is a free, virtual presentation. Click [here](#) for more details and to register.

Hear from panelists who have recently taken and passed the AREs. Learn from their personal experiences: how they studied and what study materials they used, their thoughts behind the order in which they took the exams; the process for scheduling and about how long each step of the process took, what the testing center was like, and tips for taking the exam on the computer. Take advantage of this opportunity to ask questions and get answers that will help your process be smooth and less stressful.

Panelists include:

- **Eden Garton, Assoc. AIA**, Mitlyng Design and Architecture

- **Hans-Christian Karlberg, Assoc. AIA**, Self-employed
- **James Matthes, AIA**, NewStudio Architecture
- **Celina Nelson, AIA**, Collage Architects
- **Matt Wingard, Assoc. AIA**, SALA Architects

Construction & Evaluation

Tentatively scheduled for April, in-person at Dunwoody College of Technology. More details soon.

Practice & Project Management

In-person at Dunwoody College of Technology

Part 1 – May 4, 4 pm to 6 pm

Part 2 – May 11, 4 pm to 6 pm

More details soon



2023 ARE Scholarship: Congratulations to Ugyen Sangmo, AIAS, NOMAS

Ugyen Sangmo has been selected to receive AIA Minnesota's 2023 ARE Scholarship. Applicants were required to submit a 300-word essay describing how they hope to bring AIA Minnesota's [core values](#) to bear in their work as a licensed architect.

The thesis for Ugyen's essay is, "Architecture has the power to create change and improve our everyday experience with the utilization of the four AIA Minnesota core values of Authenticity, Equity, Collaboration, and

Integrity. Integrating these four core values in my architectural profession, I will be able to create a positive impact on future clients, teams, and the future of the world." [Read more »](#)

For more information and resources to guide your licensure, visit the AIA Minnesota website pages for [AXP](#) and [ARE](#).



AIA APPLAUDS NCARB FOR ELIMINATING THE ROLLING CLOCK

NCARB announced an exciting change regarding eliminating the 5-year rolling clock for the ARE. AIA fully supports this change and applauds NCARB's leadership for this action. [NCARB's analysis](#) reveals that the 5-year rolling clock requirement has been a barrier for some along the pathway to licensure,

particularly women and people from underrepresented racial and ethnic backgrounds.

AIA is activating a "Stop the Clock" campaign highlighting stories of those whose paths to licensure were affected by the former requirements. AIA will share more about this campaign and their advocacy efforts in the coming weeks. [Read more »](#)

ARCHITECTURE IN THE SCHOOLS COMMITTEE

ON HIATUS

BUILDING CODES KNOWLEDGE COMMUNITY

Wednesday, March 8, 12:00 pm

[Virtual Meeting](#)

Open Forum: bring your code questions, experiences, and updates to share. Also bring ideas for topics you'd like to see covered at future meetings.

COMMITTEE ON DESIGN

Thursday, March 9, 12:00 pm

[Virtual Meeting](#)

COMMITTEE ON EQUITY IN THE BUILT ENVIRONMENT (EBE)

Wednesday, March 15, 8:30 am

[Virtual Meeting](#)

COMMITTEE ON THE ENVIRONMENT (COTE)

Friday, March 10, 12:00 pm

[Virtual Meeting](#)

COUNCIL OF FIRMS KNOWLEDGE COMMUNITY

TECHNOLOGY, AI, AND ARCHITECTURE PRACTICE

Monday, March 13, 12:00 pm

[Virtual Meeting](#)

March will be a joint meeting with the Technology in Architectural Practice (TAP) KC. The discussion will focus on how technology impacts practice, the reach of AI, among other technology issues.

EMERGING PROFESSIONALS COMMITTEE

Tuesday, April 11, 12:00 pm (meetings are held quarterly)

[Virtual Meeting](#)

ENTER COMMITTEE

Friday, March 24, 12:00 pm

[Virtual Meeting](#)

GOVERNMENT AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

Tuesday, March 21, 12:00 pm

[Virtual Meeting](#)

View the [2023 legislative agenda](#).

HEALTH DESIGN KNOWLEDGE COMMUNITY

Thursday, March 30, 4:00 pm

[Virtual Meeting](#)

HOUSING ADVOCACY COMMITTEE

Wednesday, March 1, 12:00 pm

[Virtual Meeting](#)

LAKE SUPERIOR DESIGN RETREAT COMMITTEE

Monday, March 20, 11:30 am

[Virtual Meeting](#)

MINNESOTA DESIGN TEAM COMMITTEE (MDT)

Wednesday, March 15, 4:30 pm

[Virtual Meeting](#)

Join us to hear updates from recent past visits.

The What and Why of Minnesota Design Team

Did you know that the Minnesota Design Team (MDT) is nearly 40 years old? In that time, we've conducted over 140 community visits with hundreds of architects and other professionals volunteering their expertise, and the MDT community engagement process has been adopted and implemented by three other organizations around the country.

And, since our merger in 2019, we are a committee and program of AIA Minnesota. Why is this important? As we all resume normal lives after COVID-19, MDT is also returning to activities benefiting the profession and Minnesota communities. In 2022, we conducted two very successful community visits to Silver Bay and Henderson. This year, we are hoping to have at least one visit, with even more in 2024.

So this is our call to get involved—for the first time, or again, if you participated in the past. [Continue reading to learn more about the MDT process and value and how to get involved »](#)

RESIDENTIAL ARCHITECTURE COMMITTEE

Tuesday, March 7, 12:00 pm
[Virtual Meeting](#)

[Submit now for the Residential Architect of Distinction Award »](#)
Submissions due at 12:00 pm CT March 17, 2023

[Submit now for the Home of the Month program »](#)
Submissions due at 12:00 pm CT March 31, 2023

[Submit now for the 2023 Homes by Architects Tour »](#)
Submissions due at 12:00 pm CT April 21, 2023

TECHNOLOGY IN ARCHITECTURE PRACTICE KNOWLEDGE COMMUNITY

JOINT MEETING WITH COUNCIL OF FIRMS: TECHNOLOGY, AI, AND ARCHITECTURE PRACTICE

Monday, March 13, 12:00 pm
[Virtual Meeting](#)

The TAP KC group will be joining the Council of Firms KC for a joint meeting in March. The discussion will focus on how technology impacts practice, the reach of AI, among other technology issues.

WOMEN IN ARCHITECTURE COMMITTEE

Wednesday, March 15, 12:00 pm (NOTE NEW MEETING DAY AND TIME)
[Virtual Meeting](#)

PROJECT TOUR OF FAMILY TREE CLINIC

Friday, March 10, 3:30 pm
AIA Minnesota's Women in Architecture Committee hosts a tour of Family Tree Clinic, a project designed by Perkins&Will that recently received an AIA Minnesota Commendation for Framework for Design Excellence Achievement. Designers from the project team will lead the tour. [Register »](#)

SPEED MENTORING EVENT

Tuesday, March 28, 5:00 pm
Women architects and designers, come and join women architecture students for a speed mentoring event hosted by HGA. [Register to attend »](#)

PEOPLE & FIRMS

Alliance promoted **Jeff Dreisbach, AIA**, and **Linda Landry, AIA**, to associate. **Destin**

Nygaard, Assoc. AIA, was promoted to senior associate.

WELCOME OUR NEWEST MEMBERS!

Andrew Altstatt, Assoc. AIA
Nick Conniff, AIA
Jacob Edwards, Assoc. AIA
Charli Haas, Assoc. AIA
Anne Hake, AIA

Sydney Holmes, Assoc. AIA
Joaquin Lafon, Assoc. AIA
Hoang Nguyen, Assoc. AIA
Thoon Than, Assoc. AIA

AFFILIATED ORGANIZATION NEWS & EVENTS

[MOISTURE AND WATER CONTROL REQUIREMENTS IN ABOVE GRADE ASSEMBLIES MARCH 10 »](#)

Up to 8 AIA LU HSW available, 4 per workshop

[BOOK LAUNCH | FIVE BAY LANDSCAPES: CURIOUS EXPLORATIONS OF THE GREAT LAKES BASIN MARCH 29 »](#)

[NEXT GENERATION OF PARKS SERIES: HUMAN-CENTERED DESIGN WITH MIKYOUNG KIM MARCH 30 »](#)

[UMN COLLEGE OF DESIGN RESEARCH & CREATIVE SCHOLARSHIP SHOWCASE 2023 MARCH 31 »](#)

[DESIGN IN 7: 7 STORIES IN 7 MINUTES APRIL 5 »](#)

[EXHIBITION | BIOPHILIA + WELLBEING + DESIGN THROUGH APRIL 21 »](#)

[EXHIBITION | LOW FIDELITY: DESIGN TECHNIQUES FROM THE MINNESOTA UNDERGROUND MUSIC ARCHIVE THROUGH MAY 13 »](#)



GETTING TO ZERO FORUM

May 10-12, 2023

Minneapolis Marriott City Center

Secure your spot in the 2023 [Getting to Zero Forum](#), the premier event dedicated to building decarbonization, taking place in Minneapolis this spring! The event brings together the world's leading experts to share best practice approaches to

reducing energy demand and decarbonization related to policy, program, and projects. It is the only event with a broad cross-section of stakeholders focused on ambitious building efficiency goals and is an ideal venue for organizing both the policy and building communities to achieve zero carbon ambitions.



DULUTH DESIGN EXPO 2023

BUILDINGS + BELONGING: EMPOWERING SOCIAL CHANGE THROUGH DESIGN

May 16, 2023

Blacklist Brewing Company, Duluth

Attend the sixth annual trade show in Duluth, followed by a keynote presentation on empowering social change through

design by Sara Cole, president and CEO of the Duluth Area YMCA. [Learn more »](#)

SUBMIT A PROJECT TO THE NORTH AMERICAN COPPER IN ARCHITECTURE AWARDS

The Copper Development Association (CDA) is seeking outstanding copper building projects for submission to the 2023 North American Copper in Architecture Awards, a program that recognizes and promotes outstanding application of architectural copper alloys. Deadline is March 31. [Learn more »](#)

LEED GREEN ASSOCIATE ONLINE TRAINING RESOURCES

Leading Green will again be offering online resources to help you attain your LEED Green

Associate certification. Courses run from November to February, or can be completed on demand. AIA Minnesota members paying for their own registration can get a \$50 discount. [Learn more »](#)

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. For events not sponsored by AIA Minnesota, please check directly with sponsors for up-to-date information about cancellations, postponements, or virtual meetings.



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