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Leading Off

NAC Update

Like the rest of the country, the NAC is deep in the dog days of Summer; however, that does not mean things have slowed down. With so much going on regarding Fall programs, regional developments and upcoming opportunities to get involved, we thought it might be a good month to take a break, 'take stock' and focus on national and regional developments pertaining to Associate members.

As a reminder - if you have a program or initiative in your region you would like to share, do not hesitate to contact [Patrick Weber](#) and [Clarice Sollog](#). The deadline for each monthly issue is one week prior to issue, or the last Friday of the month...

Announcements

2011 AIA Knowledge Scholarships for Emerging Professionals

Applications are now available for the 2011 AIA Knowledge Scholarship for Emerging Professionals, and are due **August 15th, 2011!** Each Scholarship will fund a dedicated and knowledgeable person to attend an AIA Knowledge Community conference in order to cover the event via social media, capture the content and deliver it in a variety of formats during and after the event. The program overview and application are available [here](#).

Academy of Architecture for Health Herman Miller Scholarship Deadline Extended



Also available is an up-to \$1,500 scholarship to attend the Center for Health Design/AIA Academy of Architecture for Health conference November 13-16, 2011 in Nashville TN. The deadline for applications has been extended to **August 19, 2011**. Eligibility requirements, applications and more information is available [here](#).

2011 AIA Women's Leadership Summit



Registration is now open for the 2011 Women's Leadership Summit: Advancing Women in Leadership Positions. The event will be held in Kansas City MO September 22-24, 2011. More information is available [here](#).



OVR Unconvention Registration Open

Registration is now open for the Ohio Valley Region's *UnConvention* for Emerging Professionals, September 16 & 17, 2011 in Dayton OH. Don't forget, the low Registration fee also includes one (1) night's hotel accommodation and attendance to all other regular Conference programs! More information is available on the *UnConvention* [website](#).

Complete this Sentence: Architecture Is...

San Francisco's Center for Architecture and Design has an opportunity to showcase your creativity and mastery of the moving image in its short film competition, themed *Architecture Is...* The top film in each age category will also be shown as part of the Center's 2011 Architecture and the City Festival Film Series. Registration is free, and entries are due **September 8, 2011**. More information can be found on the Center for Architecture + Design's [website](#).



NCARB News

The National Council of Architecture Registration Boards (NCARB) held its 92nd Annual Meeting in June in Washington DC. The organization installed its 2012 Board of Directors, headed by 2012 President Scott Veazey, AIA, NCARB.

In addition, the member boards passed a resolution standardizing the recommendation that boards require twelve (12) continuing education hours in health, safety and welfare (HSW) each calendar year. Full details are available over at [NCARB](#).

The IDP Coordinators Conference was held last week in Chicago. It included events ranging from presentations by the leadership of NCARB and the AIA, to guest speakers, breakout sessions, and networking events. More information can be found [here](#).

Congratulations Jack Baumann!

In recognition of his years of service and many contributions, AIA Akron (OH) President and NAC Alum Jack Baumann, AIA was named one of the recipients of the 2011 YAF Young Architect Awards! The award recognizes those in their first ten (10) years of licensure who have made a significant contribution to the profession. Congratulations!

Have news for the NAC? AssociateNews can help spread the word - Clarice Sollog csollog@gmail.com and Patrick Weber pweber31@gmail.com



Regional Spotlight

This month, AssociateNews asked two Regional Associate Directors, Nicole Eisenmann, Assoc AIA from Michigan and Michael Haslam, Assoc AIA of the Virginias region to give an update on their efforts to reach out to Associates in their respective region:

Michael Haslam, Assoc AIA 2011-2012 Virginias RAD



As the Virginias RAD, my role within the Region is best defined at present time by my participation in a series of focus group discussions organized by the VSAIA (Virginia Society of the American Institute of Architects). These discussions have allowed me to engage with the executive and associate leadership within the VSAIA as well as the regional YAF leadership as we've set about formulating a plan to facilitate improved communication between the

associates and young architects that live and work in our region. We have discussed the importance of an easily accessible space on the internet where information that is pertinent to our young populations can be readily shared and disseminated. We've talked about the need for the young professionals whom we serve to be able to find one another and discuss topics that are unique to those of us in the early stages of our architectural careers. We are planning to implement a web space of some kind that will be located within the VSAIA's website where we can post news and communications to associates and young architects. We've talked about how we can direct traffic to the website from various social media outlets that are commonly used by our constituencies. Like a social media site, our associate/young architect's space will also be a place where members of our communities can find and communicate with one another about pertinent topics of the day. We hope that an initiative like this will make it easier for us to contact and communicate with the associates and young architects whom we represent at various organizational levels of the AIA. More than that, we hope it will serve to foster a greater sense of community among young architects and architectural professionals in our region.

Nicole Eisenmann, Assoc AIA 2011-2012 Michigan RAD

AIA Michigan Center for Emerging Professional Resources (CEPR) is a committee composed of representatives of each Emerging Professional constituency: Associates, Young Architects Forum, IDP and ARE coordinators and AIAs. Our mission is to retain, represent and address the diverse needs of Emerging Professionals in the State of Michigan through Outreach, Programming and Mentorship. In July, we hosted an outreach event: Vision 20x20: Emerging Design for a New Century, an informal, quick-paced design presentation event with 10 presenters who shared their work in 20 slides, 20 seconds per slide. With the goal to introduce the CEPR to the larger community, we hosted the event in a central location during the Ann Arbor Art Fair, a four-day event that takes over the city and the University of Michigan campus and draws over 500,000 artists and fairgoers from around



the world. We advertised in downtown businesses and plastered the campus with our bold, graphic posters, and despite the 100 degree-plus temperature, we drew a crowd of 70 brave souls willing to join us in our "design sauna"; our awesome venue--the greenhouse wing of an old factory adapted into lofts and architecture faculty research space--only intensified the sauna experience! But, we sweated it out in the name of design! The designers, whose work included tile design, make up design, publishing, graphic design, structural engineering, architecture, landscape architecture, and urban planning, inspired the audience with topics ranging from digital steam-bending and recognizing the beauty and promise of Detroit to 125-foot cantilever prefab industrial buildings and the evils waged by banks that occupy downtown storefronts. The event drew generous sponsorship from structural engineering firm, SDI Structures, whose principal recognizes that today's Emerging Professionals will soon be leaders of projects looking to team up with a structural consultant. A local grocery store, Hiller's, supplied the cold beverages and provided food trays, thanks to an Emerging Professional who is part of the founder's family. Additionally, the event allowed us to partner with the University of Michigan and AIA Huron Valley for the venue and logistical support, including securing Continuing Education Units for AIA members. With this event, the CEPR presented itself as a resource for Emerging Professionals to the audience of Emerging Professionals, seasoned architects, artists and the general public, and it allowed us to share our upcoming events: participation in a high school architecture program, structures ARE workshop and the AIA Michigan Leadership Day conference with a track designed for Emerging Professionals. To find out more about the AIA MI CEPR and our upcoming events, please find us on [Facebook](#).



Coming Up

Click the button to see the full NAC calendar.

August 15

AIA Knowledge Scholarship Application Deadline

August 17 @ 7:30pm EDT

NAC Monthly Conference Call (Note New Date & Time!)

August 17 - 19

AIA Communication Summit

Kansas City, Missouri

August 19

AIA Academy of Health Herman Miller Scholarship Application Deadline

August 26

Deadline for Submissions for the September RAD Report

August 20

AIA Grassroots Program Submissions Due

September 8

AIA San Francisco's Architecture Is... Short Film Submissions Due

September 16 & 17

Ohio Valley Region UnConvention

Dayton, Ohio

September 22-24

2011 Women's Leadership Summit

Kansas City, Missouri

September 30

Deadline to name 2012-2013 Regional Associate Directors

(for those regions transitioning)