A message from the President:
Baani Singh, AIA NCIDQ LEED AP

I am much honored to serve AIAENY as President this year and thankful for your support in the past few years. I feel privileged that I have been involved with AIA for almost eight years. I started volunteering just to see what AIA was all about by taking baby steps, but AIA helped me spread my wings and soar high. AIA provides a network and support system in our profession and being involved with AIA has opened so many doors.

I hope the first quarter of 2017 is treating all of you well. It has been a busy and exciting time at AIA Eastern NY with the Sneak Peak Tour of Albany Capital Center and The Annual Design Awards. Many of you made these events successful with your presence.

This year we plan to shake things up to elevate the service we provide to our members. We are planning a surprise fun social event in lieu of our Annual Boat cruise; an event to honor our AIAENY Past Presidents; family friendly events; holiday mixer; networking social mixers; local educational tours; joint events with other professional organizations; special events for our emerging professionals; resources for ARE; and many more exciting things to come your way.

As we are working hard to bring this new side of AIAENY to our members, we need your help! I am making a personal appeal to all the local firms to get involved and volunteer. I am sure you can find interesting way to get involved with our committees for K-12, Emerging Professionals, Design Awards, and Marketing and Publicity Task Force, or you can just help with our programs and events. Make sure you check out our Call for Volunteers flyer in this publication and post in your office. Our Emerging Professionals committee is flourishing under the leadership of Brennan Drake and Mike Goard, providing networking opportunities to emerging professionals mixers and ARE resources. Our K-12 Education committee started under leadership of Anna Campas now lead by Joe Paradis provides information about architecture and architecture books to our children’s schools. There is so much that you can do to gain value from your AIA membership so Get Involved! Please feel free to reach out and contact me at bonnied2d@gmail.com or contact our executive assistant admin@aiaeny.org and let us know how you would like to get involved!

We are also creating social media presence to keep you updated on our upcoming events and available resources. So connect with us on Facebook (AIA Eastern New York) and LinkedIn (AIA ENY). We are here to serve our members so let’s come together, get involved, get the resources available to you, network and have fun!

Sincerely,
Baani Singh, AIA NCIDQ LEED AP
AIA Eastern NY President 2017
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The VP-Programs Corner

Happy March, Eastern New York! This year is off with a bang and is shaping up to be exciting until the end.

The Albany Convention Center tour last month is one of the best attended tours we have ever hosted ... a big thank you to Baani and Meghan for all of their efforts in setting that up. The Design Awards, as always, was a beautiful event. Not only was it a good time, but we were able to have the press present as well as develop some new sponsor relationships.

This next month’s program is a biggie...The Rivers Casino! Join us for 3 hours, 3 programs, and 3 learning units. We start with a tour of the mixed-use building on site; follow with a meal and presentation about casino design, construction, and operations from an Owner’s perspective; and wrap up with a tour of the casino and event center. This will happen April 18, so keep a lookout for the email blast with date and registration link.

We’re putting the finishing touches on a few more tours throughout the year, including family friendly events such as Fort Ticonderoga and Great Escape.

Check out our new events calendar. We will have it in each newsletter, formatted to conveniently print-it-and-pin-it, as well as on the website.

As always, we are here to serve. If there is something you are interested in, please let us know.

Melissa Clarke, AIA
2017 VP of Programs

“AIA 2030 COMMITMENT

“Architects, as the leaders in design of the built environment, are responsible to act as stewards of the Earth.” – The American Institute of Architects

Currently, the federal government is moving to implement the Clean Power Plan with a goal of reducing carbon dioxide emissions by 32 percent. The EPA will require every state to come up with an approved implementation plan to meet these targets. While carbon reduction goals vary from state to state, New York has been a leader on the national stage when it comes to policies aimed at reducing carbon emissions, including the Regional Green House Initiative (RGGI) and the newly proposed goal to require 50 percent of the energy portfolio to come from renewable sources.

Leading by Design: This is the architect’s contribution to the creation of a sustainable world.

For more information on how architecture affects you, contact AIA New York State at 518-449-3334 or visit www.aianys.org.
Call for Volunteers!

MARKETING TASK FORCE
Chair: Seeking interested parties
Mission: Develop relationships with vendors, suppliers, engineers, contractors and other organizations within the architectural profession and practice
Tasks: Volunteers will provide input on the AIAENY Marketing Packet and solicit support for AIAENY events and service efforts.
Duration: Marketing goals should be met in the first half of the year.
Contact: Meghan McGrath, admin@aiaeny.org

PUBLICITY TASK FORCE
Chair: Seeking interested parties
Mission: Each year, AIAENY will pursue one new publicity priority in an effort to promote our membership’s talents to the general public. This year’s publicity priority is traveling exhibition of the Design Awards submission boards.
Tasks: Volunteers will identify potential venues, schedule the exhibitions, and coordinate transport of boards using the AIAENY office resources.
Duration: Exhibition plans should be in place by the end of March to allow for maximum exposure.
Contact: Meghan McGrath, admin@aiaeny.org

K-12 COMMITTEE
Chair: Joe Paradis
Mission: The mission of the AIAENY K-12 Educational Outreach Committee is to promote awareness of Architecture, Design and Sustainability in the AIAENY area by interacting with the local K-12 communities.
Tasks: Book Donation Program – Putting Architecture books in school’s libraries, Book Marks – Add book marks with images of recent award winners’ buildings in donated books, Classroom Presentations – Provide tools, materials and ideas, share experiences, Career Day Participation – Connect Architects with schools for their Career Day, Provide Resources for K-12 Educators and Classrooms – Drawings, tools, information to supplement lesson plans
Duration: Kick-off meeting will be held in January to discuss tasks and goals for 2017
Contact: Joe Paradis, josephmparadis@gmail.com

EMERGING PROFESSIONALS COMMITTEE
Co-Chairs: Mike Goard & Brennan Drake
Mission: The mission of AIAENY Emerging Professionals Committee is to help aspiring architects become licensed. To do this, we will create networking opportunities where emerging professionals can meet others in a similar situation as well as more experienced professionals. We will provide study courses to help prepare for the ARE. We will provide study materials and guides for the ARE. Lastly, we will provide AXP opportunities.
Tasks: Volunteers have the options of helping manage social media and promotion of events and seminars. Also, host or support for networking events, study courses, and AXP tours.
Duration: Year 2017 kick off meeting to be held the end of January.
Contact: Brennan Drake, AIA brennandrake@gmail.com; Mike Goard, AIA MGoard@phinneydesign.com

DESIGN AWARDS COMMITTEE
Chair: Tina Mesiti-Céas
Mission: To plan and implement the yearly Design Awards Program for the ENY chapter. Committee members assist in the overall planning to administer the program and execute the awards ceremony. This event is one of ENY’s most well attended events where colleagues and friends come together to mingle, discuss our practice and celebrate some of our member’s best work.
Tasks: Jury selection, venue selection, program and event planning and design.
Duration: Varies; once every three weeks for three months prior to the event.
Contact: Tina Mesiti-Céas, tmesiticeas@csarchpc.com
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JOB OPPORTUNITY WITH LACEY THALER REILLY WILSON ARCHITECTURE & PRESERVATION, LLP

Job Title: Project Architect

Summary: The position requires the ability to work in a team atmosphere on preservation, restoration and adaptive reuse projects, with a wide variety of cultural, college and university, government and commercial clients. The position also requires the ability to develop appropriate documentation for all phases of a project, including existing conditions documentation in the field; planning, programming and concept/schematic design; design development and construction documents production; and construction administration. Applicant shall be able to work with and manage a small team of production staff and assist Project Managers with project administration duties including, but not limited to managing schedules, project budgets and communicating with consultants and clients.

Education: Minimum: Bachelor of Architectural Science/Technology; Preferred: Bachelor of Architecture; Master in Architecture/Historic Preservation

Experience: 5 - 10 Years practicing architecture

Skills: Minimum: Proficient in Revit, AutoCAD, MS Word, MS Excel

License: Not required

Experience in historic preservation and adaptive reuse is required, strong understanding of and ability to analyze historic construction materials assemblies is preferred.

Send cover letter, resume and supporting portfolio information to:

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79 North Pearl Street, Fourth Floor
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NYSAIA
2017 EXCELSIOR AWARDS
AWARDS RECEPTION

AA New York State and the Associated General Contractors New York State will be presenting both the Excelsior Awards for Public Architecture and Jeffrey J. Zogg Build NY Awards

May 16th, 2017
6:00 PM
Sixy State Place, Albany, NY

AIANYS Excelsior Awards Guidelines
Public Architecture

Deadlines
March 29, 2017- Registration and Entry Fee Deadline
March 29, 2017– Projects must be uploaded by this date
April 2017- Jury Meeting
April 2017- Winners Contacted and Announced
May 16, 2017- AIANYS Excelsior and AGCNYS Jeffrey J. Zogg Build NY Awards Winner Event- (Coinciding with AIANYS Lobby Day)

Eligibility

Only New York State (fully or partially) funded projects will be eligible for an award. Projects may be owned by the state, a municipality, a non-profit or a private entity, however all projects must serve the public in order to be eligible. Projects whose only relationship to New York State is tax credits or bonds will not be eligible. All submitted design projects must have been completed since January 1, 2008.

Winners

Winners: Projects will receive awards. Consultants, clients and agency representatives will be credited for the work. Projects can be submitted by agencies, consultants or clients.

Note: All submitted design projects must have been completed since January 1, 2008. Each entrant may submit any number of entries.

Categories
New Construction
Historic Preservation
Renovation/Addition

The entrant must specify one category for each submission at the time the project is uploaded.

Submission:

Please submit to Cara Longobardi, Membership & Outreach Manager at clongobardi@aianys.org.

Please label the subject line as 2017 Excelsior Awards.
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To provide meaningful value and services to member architects and assist in their professional development and success
To promote the profession and practice of architecture in the Eastern New York area through public outreach and be a visible point of contact to the local community
To develop opportunities for members to dialogue and interact with one another in substantive ways
To nurture young architectural professionals to become our future leaders and members
To highlight the achievements of our members
To support architectural initiatives which seek to improve the quality of the built environment and create livable communities
To act as a conduit between our members and AIA New York State
To responsibly maintain a stable organization from which to pursue our mission

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