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AIA ENY PRESIDENT’S MESSAGE

Engaging Our Energies

January is the month named in honor of Janus, the god of beginnings and transitions. Looking back on 2012 from a national viewpoint, the AIA Economics and Market Research Group reports that November 2012 was the fourth straight monthly increase in the Architecture Billings Index (ABI), and the pace of growth accelerated each month. This is the strongest growth of billings in 5 years since the construction market collapsed.

Firms in the Northeast and Midwest regions have reported a reasonably sharp upturn in business conditions as compared to the South and West. However, these regional revenue trends at architecture firms have been quite variable in recent months, and are likely to continue to be so in the months ahead, according to the research group. So as Frank Gehry once said, “You’ve got to humble forward into the unknown.”

From a local and personal viewpoint, AIAENY in 2012 continued to be a vigorous organization, maintaining its previous membership levels and continuing to offer a variety of educational programs. We engaged with the community (e.g., local food banks via Construction) and academia (the president of the RPI AIAS sits in on our monthly meetings), as well as hosted the highly successful AIANYS convention in Saratoga.

As President-elect in 2012, I had the good fortune to “intern” under our then President Dan Wilson. Dan exceeded all expectations in meeting the unique challenges of his position last year: a major transition in staff, the state convention, and a past-president who had relocated out of state. The rest of the Board, along with our newly hired and capable executive assistant Annamarita Marciano, all collaborated closely to advance last year’s agenda.

For 2013 the officers on our Executive Committee, in addition to Dan, are President-elect Pasquale Marchese who will be running this year’s boat cruise (with his usual humor and panache I’m sure), returning Secretary Melissa Koonz (whose meeting minutes are so much more ...)

Looking forward, COTE chair Baani Singh has developed a full schedule of events for 2013. We are also hoping to jumpstart the Architects for a Good Samaritan Act, which would provide immunity from liability for architects serving as secondary responders to natural catastrophes.

Anticipated activities with AIAS include pairing students with local qualified members as IDP mentors, assembling a panel of practicing architects for a give-and-take discussion with students, and inviting students to local firm lunch seminars.

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Please thank them for their support when you contact them for your next project.

To become an AIA ENY Allied Member, please visit our Website: www.aiaeny.org
For full press releases or more information about the Member News, contact AIA Eastern New York or the Firms directly.

MATERIALS FOR THE Architect

To include your member news, please go to the AIA ENY Publication Page on the website for guidelines to submit your news. [http://www.aiaeny.org/publications.html]

Please pass along any articles you believe are relevant to be included in the Architect. We are always looking for articles to keep our Members informed.

Continuing for 2013

“Somewhere only we know…” - A picture of a local area building within the AIA ENY Chapter will be posted in the newsletter. The names of AIA ENY members to successfully name the building and the architect will be entered into a drawing to receive a prize!

“Feature Project Spotlight” - This section will be found on pages 6 & 7 of future issues. Please see the guidelines for submitting a Feature Project Spotlight on the Publications page of the website.

Do you want to be a part of it?

The Architect Submission deadline for Volume 23, Issues 2 is March 6, 2013

Finally, most of you are aware of my commitment and focus on sustainable design. The termination of the sustainable design requirement for continuing education (4 CEUs) by AIA national affirms that sustainability has mainstreamed and is now an integrated part of standard architectural practice. See the Sustainability Update article in this issue about the SD requirement and Governor Cuomo’s new Executive Order no. 88 which replaces EO 111, on Page 7.

See you at the Design Awards!

Anna P. Campos, AIA, AIA Eastern New York President 2013

The VP-Programs Corner

Dear AIAENY Chapter Members,

We are going to start our 2013 VP-Programs Corner with a joint effort between (Pasquale Marchese - former VP-Programs and 2013 President Elect) and Mark Thaler 2013 VP-Programs.

First at all we would like to thank you all for renewing your membership and for continuing to be a part of AIA, and in particular being part of the Eastern New York Chapter.

As Pasquale mentioned in the last issue of the 2012 calendar year, we have started working at our Events line-up for 2013. We will continue to provide programs that interest our members, are beneficial to our profession, and help you accrue the required CEUs to keep your membership in good standing. However, we also need your help and input to make that happen. Please contact our office for any events that you feel can be beneficial to our professional community.

As we have previously mentioned, this year our programs will include tours of historic sites, our annual Design Award Ceremony and Boat Cruise, and topics relating to Risk Management, Changes in Code Requirements, and new Material Technologies and Construction Systems.

We are going to start our 2013 with a great half day program on Thursday, February 15, focusing on Ethics for Design Professionals and we will Review a Case Study on Risk Management, something that you won’t want to miss.

One important communication for all of you which you may have read in the AIA ENY newsletter is the announcement, Sustainable Design SD Units have been incorporated into the category of HSW.

We look forward to seeing you at our upcoming events.

Pasquale Marchese, AIA – LEED AP BD+C
President Elect 2013

Mark Thaler, AIA
AIAENY VP-Programs 2013

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AIA ENY Mission Statement: 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 act as 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 members and leaders. To highlight the achievements of our members. To responsibly maintain a stable organization from which to pursue our mission. To support architectural initiatives which seek to improve the quality of the built environment and create livable communities. To facilitate the OneAIA concept and act as a conduit to AIA New York State and AIA National – the voice of the architectural profession and the resource for its members in service to society.

Based upon the AIA ENY mission statement, the following are examples on how AIA ENY provides these services:

- **Networking**
  The opportunity to engage and participate, take an active part in the events and programs offered, particularly in the areas of professional development and community advocacy. Opportunities to engage can be found on many of the pages of our website: www.aiaeny.org. Examples of these networking opportunities are: the annual Boat Cruise, monthly continuing education programs and the Design Awards reception/ceremony. These activities provide valuable networking opportunities, ways to develop leadership skills and create greater visibility within your community. We at the AIA ENY realize that many of our programs are located in the population center of our chapter is too far for many of our members in the northern counties. We are currently looking into having some of our programs located in a more convenient area to accommodate these members.

- **Advocacy**
  AIA ENY participates directly with AIA NYS’ Architects in Albany – Lobby Day each year, April or May. The President and President Elect schedule meetings to discuss the issues that are important to the design build profession. Members are encouraged to participate in the preparation before and the meetings scheduled with their elected officials, as well. In 2011, through the involvement of the AIA ENY members, AIANYS and the other AIA chapters in New York State, we had a very successful lobbying event in May. We were able to get the Non Design Professional Ownership bill passed and signed into law while also successfully defeating numerous bills that were not in our members’ interest. Other areas where AIA ENY advocates for its members are within the National and State AIA Components, where designated board members represent the chapter: AIA National’s Grassroots Conference, AIA National and AIANYS conventions and the AIANYS Annual Meeting during convention.

- **Knowledge**
  Like AIA National’s Knowledge Communities, AIA ENY offers the opportunity for members to become involved with various committees (knowledge communities) in the chapter area. If there is a knowledge community members are interested in attending that AIA ENY does not offer, AIA ENY accepts proposals from its members to start a new committee in the chapter area. Right now, AIA ENY has the following committees available (which all can be found on the Committees page of the website: http://www.aiaeny.org/aboutaiaeasternny/aiaenycommittees.html):

2013 AIA Eastern New York Membership Benefits

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The world through architects’ eyes can reveal unique images of architectural details and spaces. This is a puzzle that challenges you to figure out what building in the Eastern New York Chapter region is represented in the unaltered image below. Have a look and dive in. Good luck! Architext Issue 1 puzzle.

**Somewhere…only we know!**

A photographic puzzle

Think you know it?

Email your answer, including the name of the building, the architect (if known) and the city it is in by Feb. 15 to: admin@aiaeny.org.

Subject: Somewhere Only We Know

All winning entries will be published in the next issue of Architext.

**Frear’s Troy Cash Bazaar**

Construction between 1897-1904

Corner of Third and Fulton Streets, Troy NY

Mortimer L. Smith & Son Architects, Detroit

Congratulations Jeff Mural, AIA for correctly guessing this puzzle from the last issue of Architext!
AIA ENY COMMITTEES

There are many ways for AIA members to stay connected with their colleagues and also make a difference in their communities locally and globally. AIA offers many opportunities to customize your membership with the AIA Knowledge Communities in your specific professional interest areas. Joining these communities will help the AIA provide you with timely information on awards, research, industry news, programs and opportunities to network both in-person and online in your specific areas of interest. [AIA National]—http://www.aia.org/practicing/groups/index.html AIA ENY is looking for you to get involved—take a look at the Committees offered below:

- **AIAS-RPI** - Emily Mastropiero, President: mastre2@rpi.edu

- **Construction** - Sara Stein, AIA, AIAENY Construction Liaison (sstein@eypae.com)
  
  A charity committed to ending hunger and raising awareness. The 2013 “CAN You Imagine” event will be at the NYS Museum in March 2013. Members have the opportunity to participate in the competition, network at the event and fight hunger.

- **Committee On The Environment (COTE)** - Chairperson: Baani Singh, Assoc. AIA (bmonied2d@gmail.com)
  
  Seeks to expand awareness and knowledge of green technologies and sustainability in building design and construction. COTE partners with the VP of Programs and the Programs Committee to provide continuing education programs with a sustainable focus. In 2012, one of the highlights was a tour of the LEED-certified RPI Eastern Campus Athletic Village.

- **Design Awards Committee**—Chairperson David J. Pacheco, AIA (dpj@pra-pc.com).

- **Fellows Committee** - Chairperson: Francis M. Pitts, FAIA (pittsf@aplususa.com)
  
  The Fellows committee encourages and assists chapter members who are candidates for Fellowship by identifying and cultivating potential candidates and by offering assistance and advice as candidates and sponsors prepare their Fellowship portfolios.

- **Programs Committee** - Chairperson: Mark Thaler, AIA (Mark.Thaler.AIA@gmail.com)
  
  All programs offered or sponsored by AIA ENY are approved by the Programs Committee and/or the VP of Programs. If you would like to suggest a program opportunity, please contact Mark.

  For the contact information, committee description and contact, please refer to the AIAENY website

  **AIA Eastern New York Forms Two New Committee’s for 2013**

  We are still looking for AIA members to create these committee’s!

  The AIA ENY Executive Committee will be forming two new Committees for 2013. The first is an Honor Awards Committee which will be responsible for selecting individual AIAENY members for nomination to receive an AIANYS Honor Award, awarded at the NYS Convention each year. This award recognizes individuals who have demonstrated excellence in our profession through general involvement and practice.

  The second committee is a Bylaws Committee, which would be responsible for reviewing the Current AIA ENY Bylaws for revision opportunities based on local, regional, and industry—wide developments over the past decade. Three members are needed to form each committee. If you are interested in becoming more involved with your local AIA chapter, or for more information, please contact Annamaria Marciano at 518 720 3030 or amarci-ano@aiaen.org.

Membership Benefits (Continued)

- **AIAS RPI** – Student Component at RPI. The students are looking for ways to connect with AIA ENY members including portfolio reviews, meet & greets, internships, etc. AIAENY Treasurer William Koonz serves as a liaison between our chapter and AIAS.

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- **Design Awards** – AIA ENY has an annual Design Awards competition to showcase the work of its members. Winners are awarded with a certificate, posting in the first newsletter of the year and on the website for a year. Also, in 2013, the winners’ boards will be posted at the 2013 AIANYS Convention Welcome Party.

- **Fellows Committee** – Encourages and assists AIA ENY members who are candidates for Fellowship.

- **Historic Resource Committee (HRC)** – Focuses on providing access to educational and advocacy opportunities relating to the many aspects of the Capital region’s rich historic resources.

- **Programs Committee** - Continuing education is a required part of license renewing in New York State. As an AIA Provider for continuing education, AIA ENY’s VP of Programs and Programs Committee do their best to provide continuing education opportunities, at a discounted rate to its members, to help fulfill these requirements. Input from the members is crucial for AIA ENY to decide what programs are most important and desired. Some of our programs topics include: lectures from prestigious architects and design professionals, the annual boat cruise, codes updates and IPD. In 2013, the AIANYS Convention in Syracuse will provide many programs to help fulfill AIA and NYS continuing education requirements.

- **Communications** AIA ENY provides many communicative outlets for AIA business, Capital Region information and National information to reach its members.

- **Architect** – 6 newsletter issues are distributed to AIA ENY members either by mail or electronically with project spotlight articles from members, member news and more. Please review the Publications Page to review the newsletters electronically and to see how your firm/work can be featured in the newsletter.

- **Weekly Email Broadcasts** – Typically, once a week, an email broadcast is sent to all AIA ENY members with information about upcoming events, programs and important information for the chapter area.

- **Monthly Meetings** – AIA ENY’s Executive Committee, Board of Directors and Annual Meetings allow members to make suggestions, comment and question the business, benefits and practices of AIA ENY.

- **Website** – All AIA ENY business is available for review on the website.

- **Access** AIA ENY provides its members a conduit to AIANYS and AIA National. AIA ENY facilitates: (not limited to)

  - Any issue directly with the appropriate AIANYS and AIA National staff.
  - Assistance contacting continuing education providers to post credits on members’ transcripts.
  - Any use of the chapter office for meetings or business use.
“Thank You” to A.W. Hastings Marvin Windows for Sponsoring the AIA ENY 2012 Design Awards Ceremony!

2012 Design Awards Guidelines

Eligibility
The professional category is for projects designed by current members in good standing of the Eastern New York Chapter of the American Institute of Architects completed within five years of the submission date. The licensed architect submitting the entry shall, if requested, give evidence as to the authorship of the work. Where the architect is not the sole author, all other participants in shaping the concept shall be credited as part of the submission. There is no limit to the number of entries that may be made by an eligible member in the professional category.

The student category is intended for current students in accredited schools of Architecture. Any work generated during their academic career is eligible. Student entrants need NOT be AIAS members to enter. Only one entry per student is permitted.

The jury may bestow Honor awards and (lesser) Merit awards in the following categories:

Professional Categories
- Residential
  - Small Project - less than 5,000 square feet
  - Large Project - 5,000 square feet or more
- Institutional
- Commercial/Industrial
  - Small Project - less than 5,000 square feet
  - Large Project - 5,000 square feet or more
- Urban Planning/Urban Design
- Historic Preservation
- Renovation/Addition/Adaptive Reuse
- Interiors
- Emerging Architects – recognizes commissioned architectural design work by practicing emerging architects licensed 10 years or less
- Un-built – recognizes commissioned architectural design work by practicing architects not yet built or complete

Applicants may self-designate categories, however the ultimate category and number of award(s) presented will be at the sole discretion of the jury.

Student Category

2012-2013 Schedule

November 27, 2012  Submit Registration Form and Entry Fee (Must Be Postmarked by this Date)
December 14, 2012  Design Boards & Submission Materials (Must Be Received by 4:00pm at the AIA ENY office on this Date)
January 14, 2013  Jury Meeting in Buffalo, NY
February 27, 2013  6:00pm-8:00pm Design Awards Reception & Ceremony
                  The Arts Center, Troy, New York.
The University of Virginia recently selected EYP Architecture & Engineering to design a new 200-bed residence hall and related site landscape planning within its existing first-year student housing district. To be situated in close proximity to Scott Stadium, the new residence hall will be located in the vicinity of the Observatory Hill Dining Hall and five existing residence halls (known as the Alderman Road Residence Halls), as well as to planned future residence halls south on Alderman Road.

The new residence hall will offer modern amenities, sustainable features, and will provide a strong sense of community and place. Designed exclusively for first-year students, it will include double rooms, floor lounges and quiet studies on each floor, as well as group study rooms, a multi-purpose room, a commons, and two apartments for residence life staff, all on the ground floor. A separate wing will include offices for the Department of Housing and Residence Life. The new facility is scheduled for completion in the summer of 2015. The project’s site landscape planning component will determine how many future residence halls can be accommodated along Alderman Road and will develop a landscape strategy to connect to existing residence halls further down the street. EYP is pleased to be collaborating with Nelson Byrd Woltz Landscape Architects on this aspect of the project. EYP’s wing is one piece of a multi-phase building project that will ultimately replace all of the 1960s-era housing on campus.

Commented EYP Lead Designer Paul King, AIA, LEED AP, “There is an interdependency between building and landscape that defines Thomas Jefferson’s original campus design. This project is intriguing because it restates this interdependency.” He continued, “EYP is proud to share our design and campus housing expertise with the University of Virginia.”

EYP is the expertise-based, integrated architecture and engineering design firm that specializes in sustainable design for corporate, government, and higher education clients around the world. EYP Energy is a division of EYP that delivers integrated, comprehensive sustainability consulting and implementation services. Located in Albany, Boston, Greenville, New York City, Orlando and Washington, D.C., the firm is ranked among the largest A/E firms in the nation by Building Design & Construction magazine and has been recognized for sustainable design leadership by Architect Magazine, Engineering News-Record, and Architectural Record.
Mural of architecture+ Receives Accreditation.

architecture+ is pleased to announce that Jeffrey Mural, AIA, of Albany, New York, has received EDAC™ accreditation (Evidence-Based Design Accreditation and Certification). Evidence-based design is the process of basing decisions about the built environment on credible research to achieve the best possible outcomes. Since 2000, it has become an integral component of modern healthcare design. Mr. Mural, who holds a Bachelor of Architecture from Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, joined us in 2002. Since that time he has worked on a variety of projects for healthcare clients including renovation work at the Hutchinsons Psychiatric Center Regional Forensic Unit and a new psychiatric facility in Wake County, North Carolina, as well as ongoing planning projects for the Office of Mental Health in New York.

architecture+ Launches New Website

architecture+, a design and service oriented architecture and planning firm in Troy, New York, is pleased to announce the launch of their new website at www.aplususa.com. The site has been redesigned to make their growing portfolio of work more accessible with an easy-to-use keyword search and links to projects in progress. In addition, visitors are able to download profiles of all projects as well as a comprehensive brochure of the firm’s specialized mental health planning and design work. architecture+ has been serving higher education, healthcare, housing, and community clients throughout New York State, the United States, and Canada for nearly thirty years.

EYP Architecture & Engineering and BJAC (Raleigh and Charlotte, NC) have announced a strategic partnership to enhance services and expand their base of expertise and geographic reach called EYP/BJAC a partnership. Both firms share a deep commitment to a knowledge-based practice, leveraging research, specialized experience and design excellence to advance the mission and vision of their clients.

EYP Architecture

The University of Scranton, Scranton, PA, recently celebrated the dedication of the EYP Architecture & Engineering-designed Loyola Science Center, one of the country’s most innovative science buildings. The Center is the largest capital project in the history of the Jesuit university and the culmination of more than 15 years of planning and preparation.