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A message from the President:

Melissa L. Clarke AIA



**2015
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Meeting
October 28,
at 6:00 PM**

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This time of year is always busy for us. I find that a little bit of reflection when life is at its most hectic helps to restore motivation and initiative. Why did you get into architecture? Are you happy with what you are doing? Little questions often yield big answers.

For those of us primarily in production, each deadline leads to a new deadline. For those of us in management or business development, every day is a quest for the next new client or project. It is so easy to get drawn into the routine of daily life and lose sight of what it is we set out to do at the beginning. While we must not neglect that which needs to be done, we must also not neglect the passion that first set us on our path.

In the chaos of everyday, let us not forget who it is we really are. We change the world around us as a matter of habit, and touch the lives of countless people with the fruits of our labors. In this year of change, I invite you to reflect on your beginnings and your journey thus far. When the tedium of "getting the job done" begins to weigh on your shoulders, remember what it was that you wanted to do with your life and the legacy that you want to leave behind. The tiniest of changes can create the most monumental results, and there is always room in what we do for slight adjustments in our approach. Perhaps it is taking on that little project for a worthy cause, even if it means a hit on a fee? Maybe this is the project where you will take the time to truly learn about a system or product that you are very interested in? Is now the right time for you to teach another about something that means a great deal to you? The possibilities are truly endless, and opportunity hides in plain sight, every day.

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A message from the President continued:

I believe that we, architects, are a unique and amazing breed. We are dreamers; we are creators. We straddle the worlds of art and science and make into reality the daydreams and visions of those around us. We give thought form and quite literally shape the world around us. How incredible is that?

So, my fellow architects, take the opportunity of today and reconnect with the dreams of yesterday. Infuse that passion in everything you do and make this world a better place.

And, as always, AIA Eastern New York is here to support you however we can. Don't hesitate to contact us and let us know how we are doing and how we may better serve you.

Melissa L. Clarke AIA
2015 President
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The VP-Programs Corner

Dear AIAENY Chapter Members,

Hope you enjoyed the short lived NY Summer. We had some great programs this summer. Our monthly lunch and learns are giving small firms and architects continuing education in diverse topics. In addition to our lunch & learns, we had a Tour of Price Chopper's Headquarters which is a very sustainable building with LEED Gold Status. Participants had a pleasure of walking with facility staff and Sustainability director looking at the back stage where all the energy efficiency magic happens. Participants leaned about co-gen system, micro turbines, modular design approach, daylighting and much more. We are not all about learning, we like to have some summer fun as well. We had our first Mid- Year networking mixer with professional organizations like CSI, USGBC, ASLA, ASHRAE, IES, and ASID. It was a great turn over and relaxed networking with fellow professionals overlooking Albany Skyline.

We will make a concerted effort to provide programs in as many locations as possible to serve members in Capital district and beyond. We hope to introduce educational programs to serve emerging professionals as well. As always, we will share key events hosted by other professional organizations with you.

As always, if you have any suggestions for future programs or tours, or you would be willing to organize an event in your area, please let me know at bonnied2d@gmail.com I hope you can join us in some of our upcoming events!

Regards,
Baani Singh, AIA NCIDQ LEED AP
AIAENY VP-Programs 2015

Thursday, October 15: An Evening of Continuing Education *with Tom Sweeny of Vestal Tile*

Schedule:

5:30 - 5:45 PM Registration & Networking

5:45 - 6:00 PM Dinner Begins

6:00 - 8:00 PM Education Program

Location: Stonehedge Room @ the Albany Holiday Inn | 205 Wolf Road, Albany, NY 12205

Cost: \$15 Members | \$20 Non-members | \$20 Walk-Ins

Moisture in Concrete—Sources Measurement (1 LU|HSW)

This course is designed to proceed through a discussion of moisture vapor in concrete and the problems it causes, from where this moisture comes, how do we access how much moisture is present, and what are the recommendations for controlling the moisture if it is excessive.

Ceramic Tile & Stone Installation Basics (1 LU|HSW)

This course discusses basic types and properties of ceramic tile, setting materials, waterproofing compounds, different installation types, various substrates to receive tile, and reviews designing of joints.

2015 Annual Business Meeting

******ATTENTION ALL AIA-ENY MEMBERS******

**In accordance with our by-laws, notice is hereby being provided
for our Annual Business Meeting.**

AIA Eastern New York Annual Business Meeting

October 28, 2015 at 6:00 PM

1st Floor Conference Room

The Arts Center of the Capital Region

265 River Street

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- light snacks and beverages will be provided -

Visit our Website to View the Proposed:

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Please Make Every Effort to Attend!

**Absentee/Proxy Ballots will be available on the website
beginning Wednesday, October 1.**

Annual Boat Cruise 2015

The Annual AIA ENY Boat Cruise was held August 12th. It was a gorgeous evening for a trip down the Hudson aboard The Dutch Apple! Everyone who attended seemed to have a great time and we received a lot of very positive feedback.

We had heard in the past that combining a continuing education program with the cruise did not leave enough time to enjoy the scenery, network with friends and colleagues, and spend time with the sponsors who are so important to making our cruise a success. So, this year we decided to mix it up a bit!

With the sounds of a Caribbean beat in the background, members were able to enjoy the evening with good food and drink and socialize with other members, potential consultants, and suppliers. My own firm used the cruise as an opportunity to provide a night out for our staff. It was great to get to talk to one another outside of our office environs and it was very appreciated by the staff.

At the southern end of our riparian journey we got to see the mammoth structural steel for the new Tappan Zee Bridge being staged for its own trip down-river from the Port of Coxsackie. Jeff Morris, one of AIA ENY's Board of Directors and also working on the Tappan Zee Bridge project for the NYS Thruway Authority was very informative on the state of the project and what we were able to see.

On our return voyage, we raffled off three full-registration tickets to the AIA New York State Design Conference to be held in Saratoga Springs, NY, October 22-25, 2015. If you were not one of the lucky winners, please click on the following link [here](#) to sign up!

I would like to give special thanks to this year's sponsors! GPI/Greenman-Pedersen Inc, Accent, Forbo Flooring Systems, and Industrial Fabrics Association International were extremely gracious to sponsor the cruise and give us their time onboard

the Dutch Apple. Please consider their commitment to our Chapter and the quality of their products and services when specifying products for your future projects. If you have suggestions for next year's cruise, I would love to hear from you. Please email me at mthaler@ltrw-arch.com,

Mark Thaler, AIA
AIAENY President-elect 2015



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This year's Design Conference, themed A Practice and Academic Partnership, promises to be an memorable endeavor, as we look at the correlative nature of academia and practice in architecture and how each distinct area can learn from each other. As we move forward in the ever-evolving profession of architecture, research, process and practice are becoming more important.

As part of the conference, we will be over 30 Conference themed tours and programs with a possible 20.5 LUs/HSW available From the architectural themed tours to the many networking and social opportunities, get to know other AIANYS members and industry professionals.

We have also invited special keynote speakers which exemplify our theme. Andrew Freear has given the students of Auburn University hands on, real world experience through the Rural Studio, where students plan, design, fundraise and build structures for lower social economic areas of Alabama. Anna Dyson is a professor at Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, where she brings design practice and theory to the classroom. Ms. Dyson has committed herself to bridging the diverse worlds by proposing a new collaborative model for building research, uniting interdisciplinary academic research with building and development processes. Our Sunday breakfast speaker is Jay Valgora, AIA, who specializes in urban development. He is currently working on the Roosevelt Island redevelopment project in New York City, where he has partnered with Cornell University to create the new home of the Cornell Tech campus.

Finally, our Expo is not to be missed, where many companies representing products used in the profession will be presenting cutting edge materials and technologies. You will be able to walk the Expo floor, attend a Spotlight Session, as well as receive more information by scheduling an appointment for detailed information or personal presentations.

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AIA has been working on our profession's "Identification Crisis" for some time now, and while we all know what it is we do, the public doesn't...and that makes it pretty tough to sell our value.

We challenge you to come up with the tag line that sums up who we are, what we do, and why, frankly, we are so darn special. There are no rules - just make it marketable and memorable. The PR gurus say you have 10 seconds to win over the average person, if they are feeling generous with their time. We think that AIAENY members have the personality, wit and creativity to nail it...

To submit, go to www.aiaeny.org and simply fill out the form.

There is no limit to submissions, and we'll not only publish entries in each newsletter, but we'll share them with the State and National components.

Who knows, you may just brand the profession!

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