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## A message from the President:

Baani Singh, AIA NCIDQ LEED AP



We know this is a busy time of year for all of us, but it is a great time for reflection. We want to hear from you! I encourage each and every member to share with us about your latest project by writing an article for our newsletter or planning an educational tour of your project, tell us what you value most about your membership or simply share what you want to see for tours and programs in the area. We are all ears!

At AIA ENY, we are working hard to serve you, our member family. Have you looked at our calendar of events recently? Did you know we have new & exciting events from fun mixers, family friendly events, networking events, emerging professional's events to formal events. We also have ARE resources and materials available for you. This year, AIA National is helping us reach out to the non-members in the area to show what they can gain from AIA membership, but we also want reach out to our current members and make sure you are taking advantage of your membership to the fullest.

It's a great time to get involved with AIA ENY as we are preparing to assist with Four State QUAD AIA Conference coming to Albany this November. On our last event, someone mentioned to me that they never really paid attention to things happening at AIA until they got involved with the chapter. Honestly, the more you get involved the more you will benefit from your membership. We are not just a membership; we are a small family of local architects

We recently teamed up with IIDA, ASID and IFMA for a Design Scavenger hunt event in historic Troy. It was a great event, team of design professionals, facilities officers, vendors and students walked through streets of Troy looking for Architectural and Design elements. We then wrapped up the event with a drinks, music and great food. It also helped us create awareness for your design industry as many people walked up to us to ask us what we were doing scavenging through Troy.

**Don't forget to connect with us on Facebook** <https://www.facebook.com/AIAEasternNewYork/> and **LinkedIn** <https://www.linkedin.com/company-beta/10888416> We are here to serve our members so let's come together, get involved, network and have fun! We welcome your input as always, if you have any suggestions or concerns, I would love to hear from you so feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,  
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**SAVE THE DATE**  
**AIAENY**  
**ANNUAL MEETING**  
**NOVEMBER 1, 2017**

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# Chapter News

## AIAENY Recognizes one of our own Members!

Prof. Patrick J. Quinn, FAIA, had a paper accepted for the 2017 Annual Meeting in Glasgow of the Society of Architectural Historians. On June 9th, 2017 he presented his paper as one of four speakers at the session on MEDIEVAL VERNACULAR ARCHITECTURE. The session was chaired by Alexander Harper of Princeton University. Prof. Quinn's paper was entitled: "Connections and Intersections in Vernacular Architecture of Mount Athos".

Besides being FAIA, Prof Quinn is a member of the Society of Architectural Historians, a Fellow of the American Academy in Rome and a Fellow of the Royal Society for Arts.

## Help Wanted: Intern Architect / Draftsperson

balzer + tuck | architecture pllc, located in Saratoga Springs, NY is seeking a person with 1–5 years of experience to join our team. We work in a collaborative, open studio environment that supports individual and team projects while fostering personal and professional development.

Qualified candidates must possess a professional degree (B. Arch. or M. Arch.); be self-directed and motivated; have strong communication skills; have experience in detailing and documenting standard types of construction; and possess the ability to convey concepts and ideas through hand-drawn sketches. Proficiency with Autodesk Revit, and Adobe Photoshop is required and should be clearly indicated on resumes for consideration.

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Please provide cover letter and resume to [info@balzertuck.com](mailto:info@balzertuck.com) for consideration.

## AIAENY 2017 Calendar of Events

Event	When	Where
Lunch & Learn (2 LU) Vertex Lighting	October 19th	AIAENY, Albany
AIA QUAD State Convention	November 9 -11th	Convention Center, Albany
AIAENY Annual Meeting	November 1	AIAENY, Albany
Tappan Zee Presentation	November 15	Italian Community Center, Albany

# The VP-Programs Corner



## Hello, Eastern NY!

It's hard to believe that we are nearly through September already. The front end of 2017 has been busy, and we are poised for a strong finish to the year.

How better to enjoy the summer than with a Scavenger Hunt! AIAENY, IIDA Albany, and a multitude of other local organizations have joined forces and created the First Annual Architecture and Design Industry Scavenger Hunt. Local design professionals enjoyed a day of fun, searching for Troy's best-known landmarks and hidden gems while completing a few fun tasks along the way. The weather was perfect and made for a great experience.

In addition to the Scavenger Hunt, we've offered several Lunch and Learn opportunities, as well as interesting tours of our local attractions. We look forward to wrapping up the year with a few more learning units and social gatherings.

Thanks to all who continue to participate, and please feel free to reach out if there is an educational opportunity you would like to see offered.

Cheers!

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The logo for the QUAD Conference is enclosed in a red rectangular border. On the left, there are four red squares arranged in a 2x2 grid, each containing white text: 'AIA CT', 'AIA NJ', 'AIA NYS', and 'AIA PA'. To the right of these squares, the word 'QUAD' is written in large, bold, black, sans-serif capital letters. Below 'QUAD', the tagline 'QUALITY UNITES ARCHITECTURAL DESIGN' is written in smaller, red, sans-serif capital letters. Below the tagline, the word 'CONFERENCE' is written in white, sans-serif capital letters inside a black horizontal bar. At the bottom of the logo, the text 'NOV 9-11, 2017 | ALBANY | NEW YORK' is written in black, sans-serif capital letters.

# 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

**Tasks:** *Develop White Pages for Use within the Classroom* – Outlines of topics and ideas for those new to presenting to kids

**Duration:** Kick-off meeting will be held in January to discuss tasks and goals for 2017

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## EMERGING PROFESSIONALS COMMITTEE

*Co-Chairs: Mike Goard & Casey Crossely*

**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:** Casey Crossely, AIA casey.crossley@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.

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**every screenplay has a writer**

**every building has an architect**

**every opera has a composer**

**every film has a director**

**every magazine has an editor**

**every sculpture has a sculptor**



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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 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 act as a conduit between our members and AIA New York State and AIA National – the voice of the architectural profession and the resource for its members in service to society

**MISSION**

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