Voices in Nevada's Art and Architecture Exhibit

Where does one search for inspiration to find their design voice in Nevada? Our geology, desert environment or the Las Vegas Strip? Does it change over time or differ between architects and artists?

As part of an on going exhibition calendar for this spring we will be opening our first exhibition, "Voices in Nevada's Art and Architecture," in February at the Mesquite Heritage Museum and Art Center. Projects from Jack Hawkins, AIA, Angela Bigotti, AIA, Adrian Jones and Todd Avery Lenahan as well as work from David Ryan, Yek Wong, Jerry Misko and Curtis Fairman will showcase their search for individual ideas.

As part of the exhibition the AIA will sponsor a symposium on February 18th and 19th to further explore the idea of inspiration. To date we have confirmed Alan Hess, author of Viva Las Vegas; Jose Gamez, professor at the University of North Carolina Charlotte; and Clifford Pearson, special editor of Design Vanguards for Architectural Record as well as a panel discussion with several of the individuals in the exhibition.

The exhibition and symposium are sponsored through a grant received from the Nevada Art Council.
Yes it is! And, it's also going to be a very busy year for architecture and for AIA, including all of those who make this organization what it is – which translates, in the first person, to all of you! It will also be a year for a lot of fun!

First, this is the year of the Las Vegas Centennial. Being one hundred years old says something about longevity and sustainability. It also says something about celebration – and fun. We have a couple of exhibitions planned for this year as part of the Centennial events. The first exhibit: Emerging Voices/ Artists and Architecture, opens in Mesquite, February 1st and includes a series of seminars reflecting the ideas and thoughts pertaining to the work of young artists and architects. The second exhibit: The Vegas Century, will open April 1st and will present a history of influential local architects, their work and the professional contributions they made to Las Vegas, to Nevada and the profession.

As part of the Centennial, the AIA Las Vegas Chapter and Nevada AIA are jointly hosting the national AIA Convention here in May at the Mandalay Bay. This year's convention will attract more than 25,000 national and international architects and allied design professionals, building systems and material suppliers and other distinguished guests to our town for this event.

The theme for this year's convention is The Power of Architecture, and its only appropriate that this theme present, discuss and debate Las Vegas and the global influence this region now possesses in terms of shaping resorts, shopping, dining, entertainment, leisure and recreation and communal life for the future, everywhere.

And, this discussion, learning and critical assessment, as it should, begins here and now. This month's AIA chapter meeting on January 19th focuses on The Future – it brings to you members of the county's Growth Task Force, to present its work and discuss its findings regarding future growth and development across the valley - and to gather your insight regarding issues of planning, architecture and urban design. The February meeting addresses the other side of the coin looking at Las Vegas's past and the issues and events that have shaped the face of our community and its transition to becoming the world city it is today.

Also in February is this year's first AIALV COTE lecture on “Sustaining Nevada”, which will again this year, be held at UNLV, presenting the work and contributions of Mithum Architects.

Each month the chapter will also hold its Continuing Education meetings so that all of us can stay abreast with our responsibilities for life-long professional learning.

So, lets come together this year: learn, have lots of fun and build this professional brotherhood to better serve this community and our nation. Remember, every decision we make impacts others and their quality-of-life. Let's make certain our decisions are all appropriate, not only for the moment, but for the future as well.

It's going to be a busy year and a fun year, but it's going to be a great year as well!
WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

We are pleased to welcome these new members and re-joining members to AIA Las Vegas.

Architect
Alex S. Yoo, AIA
CSA of Nevada, Inc.

Allied
Dina Moyer
The Sherwin-Williams Company

Tung Nguyen
AVM Industries

AIA LAS VEGAS
2004 PRESIDENT’S AWARD
JOHN KLAJ, AIA
KLAJ JUBA ARCHITECTS

Last year the Chapter instituted a new and very important award that gives recognition to an AIA member who has worked tirelessly, given unselfishly and assisted the chapter most throughout the year. It is called the President’s Award and as the 2004 AIA Las Vegas President, Lendall Mains, AIA had the responsibility of selecting last year’s recipient.

But he was not alone in his opinion that this year’s President’s Award should go to John Klai, AIA for his unwavering dedication and support of the AIA Las Vegas Chapter. We all congratulate John on winning this award and truly appreciate his support of the AIA.

2004 AIA LAS VEGAS ANNUAL DONATION TO UNLV SCHOOL OF ARCHITECTURE

One of the most important assets of the Chapter is our partnership with the UNLV School of Architecture and the Architecture Studies Library. They provide our home and our history.

The annual AIA Las Vegas Golf & Putting Tournaments are great social events and provide a lot of fun for our members, but they also provide our chapter with the ability to acknowledge the importance of the Architecture Studies Library to our community and members. Each year a donation is made in the names of the players on the winning teams at these events. This past year we were proud to present a contribution of $2,000 to the Architecture Studies Library.

In October, 2004. Klai Juba Architects was recognized for their outstanding contributions to UNLV and to the community by being selected to receive the AIA Nevada Architecture Firm Award. This award recognized the firm’s commitment to serving the profession through the AIA and their service to the community.

To commemorate this recognition Klai Juba Architects made an additional contribution of $4,000 to the Architecture Studies Library.

We’d like to thank all of those who sponsored and attended the AIA Las Vegas Golf & Putting Tournaments last year and to everyone at Klai Juba Architects for their generous contributions to UNLV School of Architecture and the Architecture Studies Library.

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2005 AIA LAS VEGAS DIRECTORY

It's that time again! We are in the beginning stages of collecting advertisers and firm profiles for the upcoming directory. McGraw Hill Publishing will be contacting firms over the next two months to fill advertising space (the advertising deadline is Feb. 25th).

For more information on how to advertise in the 2005 AIA Las Vegas Directory, please contact:

Megan Schimmelpfennig, LEED AP
McGraw-Hill Publishing
P 602.631.3067 | F 602.631.3073
megan_schimm@mcgraw-hill.com

Your Firm Profile is now included on the AIA Las Vegas website. You can now make changes or update the information. In order to do this you will need the username and password for your firm. Please contact Kelly Lavigne at 702.895.0936 if you need your username and password.

Please follow these steps:

1. Go to www.aielasvegas.org/cms
2. Type in your username and password
3. You will be prompted to “change your username and password.”
4. Once you have entered your new username and password, be sure to click on the “Set New Username/Password” button.
5. You will see a page that welcomes you the AIA LV Content Management System. Print this page so that you have confirmation of your new username and password.
6. Click the “Continue” button.
7. You will see the “Firm Administration” menu.
8. Select “Edit Firm Profile”.
9. Your firm profile will appear. You can now make changes. When complete click “Submit” at the bottom of the page.
10. Logout of the system when you are finished.

If you have any questions or problems please call AIA Tech Support Administrator Jennifer Markewitz-Jones at 702.373.5538.

AIA LAS VEGAS CAREER CENTER

The AIA Las Vegas Career Center will allow you to post your firm's job opportunities on the www.aielasvegas.org website where you can receive immediate responses.

Post your Company's recruiting positions and link directly to your firm website. Limited to 5 initial job listings, no revisions during time period stipulated.

1 Month @ $300.00

LOOKING FOR A JOB?
Post your RESUME
(in PDF or Word format)
1 Month @ $ 40.00

All postings begin on the selected date and end on the same date of the following month.

www.aielasvegas.org

ARCHITECTURE LAS VEGAS

One of the most important and exciting things that this Chapter has accomplished is the publication of our own magazine. We should all be very proud of Architecture Las Vegas. We are one of the very few AIA Chapters in the country that is able to publish a quality magazine that speaks about the architecture and the concerns of our community, and this is not done in a self-serving way. The mission of Architecture Las Vegas is to look at our community and to stimulate thought and conversation about the architecture and the concerns of our built environment.

Getting a magazine of this quality published is no small task. Each year we have built on the success of the last. We will publish 35,000 copies of the next issue of Architecture Las Vegas. Thanks to our special partnerships with KNPR and the Las Vegas Business Press, our magazine will now be sent to the subscribers of each of these organizations. In addition, it will be distributed to the architects and design professionals from all over the country who will be attending the 2005 AIA National Convention in May. And, of course, all AIA Las Vegas members will receive a copy as well.

We are confident that the 2005 issue of Architecture Las Vegas will be the finest issue we've ever published and you'll be proud to share it with your community and with those attending the Convention.

To advertise in Architecture Las Vegas contact Scott Brown at Mach One Media Group - 702.354.3457

New & Notable - What are you working on? Got a project you'd like to tell us about. We want to know what's new and what you've got planned so that it can be included in the New & Notable section of the magazine.

You can email your New & Notable projects directly to our editor, Phil Hagen, at Vegas Ink: philhagen777@netscape.net
Welcome to the new AIA Nevada year. This year brings legislative agendas into focus and as always, we would ask you to advise us of any concerns, and we along with our lobbyist, Fred Hillerby, will alert all to potential issues.

The past year was memorable — ending with an outstanding Excellence in Design and Distinguished Service Awards Program in Reno. Jim Mickey, our outgoing president, the Northern Chapter, and our Executive Director Randy Lavigne, should be proud and commended for the notable architectural event. This year will bring the national and international architecture communities to Nevada for the AIA’s 2005 National Convention. It is a great opportunity for Nevada to showcase our communities, culture, and architecture. There is a large need for volunteers and sponsors to help host the event — anyone interested should call. To date, convention plans promise spectacular speakers, presenters, and events — more later.

Jim Mickey in his latest president’s message, expressed his belief that the professionals, architects, and others need to be engaged with AIA by serving and supporting the organization — and challenged us all to become involved. AIA is a great organization — only because of members’ commitment and involvement.

I am looking forward to this year and serving as your President.

Eight new certificates of registration were issued at the most recent board meeting of the Nevada State Board of Architecture, Interior Design and Residential Design (NSBAIDRD). Of the new registrants, two are architects, two are registered interior designers and four are residential designers.

The new architects are Erik Fong (Sparks) and Steven E. Peck (Las Vegas). The new registered interior designers are Cheryl Kunich Chenault (Reno) and Michelle Christine Foy (Reno). The new residential designers are Christopher S. Dyka (Henderson), M. Steven Hendricks (Washoe Valley), David C. Lewis (Las Vegas) and Anthony M. Martino (Sparks).

Individuals wishing to practice architecture, residential design or as registered interior designers in Nevada are required to become registered with the NSBAIDRD.
A new resident and refugee from the east coast has these comments regarding one of my recent commentaries: "The east is littered with the rotting hulks of buildings and ghetto areas, the results of years of conceptions espoused by well meaning "planners" and architects... They go on to comment on the current problems in Rhode Island, including un-maintained freeways, poor infrastructure, an overtaxed water supply, a community deep in debt with homeowners faced with ever-rising taxes. He closed by saying what we don't need are "1950's style misguided "re-urbanization" projects that will waste public money on planners, builders and lawyers and end up creating more "dead zones" 20 years hence."

Believe me, he and I are on the same page with these issues – even though we may come from different perspectives. Urban Renewal in the late 40's and 50's ruined America's cities. Rather than dealing with the complexities of a post-war society and great change, we used federal money to remold our futures. In the name of progress we fled the cities to the suburbs, destroyed our downtowns and its older housing, creating vast vacant areas and blocks of parking lots that are still problems today. Progress, in this regard, moved us from pedestrian and public transit communities, to suburbia requiring automobiles to perform our every task. Any urban housing that wasn't destroyed remained for racial minorities and the poor. Realizing there wasn't enough urban housing for these lower classes, in the name of goodness, we built poorly conceived institutional facilities that created the basis for today's ghettos.

In the east, white flight also moved the tax basis from the cities to the suburbs, which generally lie outside the urban jurisdiction. Consequently, the urban centers are bankrupt because, other than minorities and the poor, there is few living within the cities to support the necessary services. What our new resident witnessed in Rhode Island may surely evolve here, and if we don't find a way to counteract growing ever larger at the perimeter and bringing re-urbanization into play, our children and grandchildren will have to face the Rhode Island experience here in southern Nevada.

The value of reurbanization is that it's a conservation measure. It conserves land, it conserves infrastructure, valuable water and it improves air-quality by reducing vehicular travel distances; it supports other means of transportation, including walking.

Increased density does not mean we live in urban canyons – and that's another part of the problem in old eastern cities. Open space is a critical amenity for urban life.

In terms of funding reurbanization, there must be a partnership between the public sector and the private sector to make it a success. If there's an opportunity for profit, the private sector will respond; therefore, it's up to the public sector to make reurbanization profitable. How is this accomplished? First, there must be a comprehensive strategic plan for redevelopment. Second, the public sector must create an environment that not only encourages reurbanization, but supports it through incentives. Lastly, moving development boundaries laterally is only allowed after reurbanization within the urban core reaches its development goals.

The objective is not to stop growth and expansion, the objective is to manage and direct it smartly so our children and grandchildren don't have to live in Rhode Island, Nevada.
WMR 2004 REGIONAL ARCHITECTURAL FIRM AWARD
JMA ARCHITECTURE STUDIOS

Congratulations to everyone at JMA Architecture Studios for winning the 2004 WMR Architectural Firm Award. This award recognizes the continuing collaboration among individuals in a firm who have produced distinguished architecture over a period of at least ten years.

2004 AIA LAS VEGAS DECEMBER HOLIDAY CELEBRATION

Our famous end-of-the-year Holiday Celebration was held in the beautiful "Champagne Ballroom" at the Paris Hotel and Casino on December 15th.

The evening began with a Reception and Silent Auction which raised over $3,000. From the money generated during the Silent Auction, a donation of $1500 was made to Safe Nest. Many of those who attended also donated clothing, toys and other needed items to Safe Nest which will go to help families throughout the holiday and new year.

Thanks to everyone who attended and made this evening such a wonderful event. See you next year!

ALOHA LAVIGNES!

At the 2004 AIA Las Vegas Holiday Celebration, Randy and Kelly Lavigne were presented with a wonderful gift as a show of appreciation for all they do for the Chapter throughout the year. Also as a way to commemorate Randy's 10-year anniversary as the chapter's Executive Director, Lendall Mains, AIA (2004 Chapter President) surprised them with a fabulous trip to Hawaii. Randy and Kelly were truly overwhelmed by the thoughtfulness of the members and thrilled to learn that they will soon be on their way to a well deserved vacation.

In response to this wonderful surprise, Randy said, "We are so touched by this generous gift. Our thanks to Lendall, the Board and all of the Members. We promise not to go to Hawaii until after the Convention."
JANUARY MEMBERSHIP MEETING
THE FUTURE: CLARK COUNTY'S GROWTH PLAN

What can we expect in 2005? Is there a plan for the continued expansion of the valley? What's being done about air quality? Water? Transportation? Will Las Vegas continue to be a livable community? Join us for an informative and lively discussion of the issues and concerns of Growth in southern Nevada. We are pleased to have Dr. Pat Goodall, Chair of the Clark County Growth Task Force, Barbara Grouilas, Director and Rod Allin, Manager of Planning for the Clark County Comprehensive Planning office; Curtis Miles, Assistant Director of the Regional Transportation Commission and Gale Fraser, Director of the Regional Flood Control District who will provide insights into how the Task Force is working and the plans that are being put into place. Moderated by Dr. Robert A. Fielden, FAIA, this evening will provide an opportunity for members to ask questions and get a comprehensive update on growth concerns for 2005.

The meeting will be held on Wednesday, January 19, 2005, in the 2nd Floor Ballroom at the Gold Coast Hotel and Casino. The reception will begin at 5:30PM, with dinner being served at 6:30PM, and the Program at 7:20PM.

Currently Hafele America Company is the only sponsor for the meeting, however, additional sponsorships are available. If interested, contact R. Lavigne at 895-0936.

Don't forget to RSVP - there is no charge for members, and guests are $30.00. Contact Kelly Lavigne at 895-0936 or klavigne@aianevada.org to RSVP.

FEBRUARY MEMBERSHIP MEETING
THE PAST: CELEBRATING THE HISTORY OF LAS VEGAS

As the city celebrates its Centennial, AIA Las Vegas will take a look at the architectural events that have been significant in the City's growth and development over the last 100 years. Noted historian, Bob Stodall, and other members of the city's historic preservation and Centennial Celebration team will join us for a comprehensive history lesson on our city.

February's meeting will be held on Wednesday, February 16th, 5:30PM in the second floor ballroom at the Gold Coast Hotel.

MARCH MEMBERSHIP MEETING
BUILDING ALLIANCES: THE BENEFITS OF PARTNERING

Building strong alliances is essential in good business and AIA Las Vegas is very fortunate to have built strong partnerships with a number of firms and organizations in Las Vegas. This meeting will explore the methods and challenges of seeking partners and building relationships that maximize business opportunities for all involved.

March's meeting will be held on Wednesday, March 16th at 5:30PM in the second floor ballroom at the Gold Coast Hotel. Incidentally, this happens to be St. Patrick's Day so we will, of course, serve FREE Green Beer, and Corned Beef and Cabbage or Irish Stew.

THE 2005 GRASSROOTS LEADERSHIP AND LEGISLATIVE CONFERENCE

February 9-12
Washington, DC

Hear dynamic speakers on key issues, celebrate the achievements of your colleagues, gather information and knowledge from innovative and creative workshops and best practices sessions, dialogue and discuss programs and initiatives with a wide cross-section of leaders and expand your network of friends. All of this and more will occur for component and knowledge community leaders as they embark on a journey to enhance their leadership skills and communicate the AIA's legislative agenda to members of Congress. Grassroots, the AIA's premier leadership conference, is an event that will fill you with inspiration, encouragement, and the will to become a more effective leader to help shape the world in which we live.

Conference Details

Registration Fee: $215

Place: Grand Hyatt Hotel
1000 H Street, NW
Washington, DC 20001

Room rate: $189 single/Double

Hotel toll-free number: 800-233-1234

Conference Registration Form - Deadline, January 21
Don't forget the
JANUARY MEMBERSHIP MEETING

THE FUTURE: CLARK COUNTY’S GROWTH PLAN

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Dr. Pat Goodall, Chair, Clark County Growth Task Force
Barbara Ginoulis, Director, Clark County Comprehensive Planning
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Curtis Miles, Assistant Director, Regional Transportation Commission
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Moderated by Dr. Robert A. Fielden, FAIA

Wednesday, January 19, 2005
Gold Coast Hotel
2nd Floor Ballroom

5:30PM – Reception * 6:30PM – Dinner * 7:20PM - Program

Sponsored by:
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(As a Sponsor for this Meeting ... Contact R. Lavigne TODAY!!!)

PLEASE RSVP TO 895-0936
No Charge for AIA Members
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USPS TO RELEASE MODERN ARCHITECTURE STAMPS

The U.S. Post Office has announced that it will release the “Masterworks of Modern American Architecture” series in May of this year. The series, available in a pane of 12, will feature a dozen classics: Frank Lloyd Wright’s Guggenheim Museum, New York City; Frank Gehry’s Walt Disney Concert Hall, Los Angeles; Paul Rudolph’s Yale Art & Architecture Building, New Haven; William Van Alen’s Chrysler Building, New York City; Mies van der Rohe’s 860-880 Lake Shore Drive, Chicago; Richard Meier’s High Museum of Art, Atlanta; Robert Venturi’s Vanna Venturi House, Chestnut Hill, Pa.; I.M. Pei’s National Gallery of Art East Building, Washington, D.C.; Louis Kahn’s Exeter Library, Exeter, N.H.; Eero Saarinen’s TWA Terminal, New York City; Philip Johnson’s Glass House, New Canaan, Ct.; and Bruce Graham/SOM’s John Hancock Tower, Chicago.

SAVE THESE DATES IN 2005

January 19 - AIA Membership Meeting – “The Future: Clark County’s Growth Plan – 5:30PM, Gold Coast Hotel

January 27 - Lunchtime Learning

February 1 - “Voices in Nevada’s Art and Architecture” Exhibit Opens in Mesquite Art Museum

February 8-13 - Grassroots Legislative & Leadership Conference, Washington, DC

February 16 - AIA Membership Meeting – “The Past: Celebrating the History of Las Vegas” – 5:30PM, Gold Coast Hotel

February 17-18 - “Voices in Nevada’s Art and Architecture” Mesquite Art Museum

March 2 - Legislative Affairs Day – Carson City, NV

March 16 - AIA Membership Meeting – “Building Alliances: The Benefits of Partnering” & St. Patrick’s Day Celebration 5:30PM, Gold Coast Hotel

April 1 - Architecture Las Vegas Publication Celebration and Opening of “The Vegas Century” Exhibit - Location TBA

April 8 - AIA LV Spring Putting Tournament - Angel Park

April 20 - AIA Membership Meeting – High School Design Awards, 5:30PM – Gold Coast Hotel

May 19-21 - AIA 2005 National Convention & Design Expo – Mandalay Bay

June 15 - AIA Membership Meeting - The Present – Demographics of Las Vegas

August 24 -27 - WMR Conference – Biltmore Hotel, Phoenix, AZ

September 16 - AIA Las Vegas Fall Putting Tournament - Angel Park Golf Club

September 21 - AIA Membership Meeting – Forms of Practice/Interns & Students

October 4 - AIA Membership Meeting - “2005 AIA Las Vegas Product Show” - Riviera Hotel

October 17 - 32nd Annual AIA Golf Tournament

October 29 - AIA Nevada Design Awards

November 16 - AIA Membership Meeting – Transit & Transportation

December 14 - Holiday Celebration & Installation of Officers for 2006 – Location TBA, Kick-off of the 50th Anniversary of the AIA Las Vegas Chapter
AIA LAS VEGAS
2005 NATIONAL CONVENTION SPONSORS

On behalf of all the members of the Las Vegas Chapter of the American Institute of Architects, we would like to thank the following firms for participating with us as a Sponsor of the AIA 2005 National Convention and Design Expo. The convention provides a wonderful opportunity for us to showcase our fabulous city, and to highlight the contributions made by all the members of our architecture and design communities. We are so pleased and proud that they have chosen to join us in hosting this monumental event.

"The Power of Architecture: Imagine, Create, Transform" is the theme of the convention and certainly, there is no other city in the country that exemplifies and demonstrates The Power of Architecture more precisely. With an anticipated attendance of over 25,000, the convention is a great opportunity for firms to introduce themselves to architects, designers and industry professionals from all over the country.

ONLY 140 DAYS LEFT UNTIL THE CONVENTION!

MANADALAY TEAM
Kai Juba - Gold
MJ Dean - Gold
Mandalay Development - Gold
Marnell Masonry - Gold
Cleo Design - Copper
Frazee Paint - Copper
The Treston Group - Bronze

MCCARRAN INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT TEAM
Marnell Masonry - Gold
PBS&J - Gold
Tate Snyder Kinsey Architects - Gold
Domingo Cambeiro Architects - Silver
Quarella - Silver
GFG Structural Engineering - Copper
Leslie Robertson Associates - Copper
ESG Construction Company - Bronze
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CLARK COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT TEAM
Dekker Perich Holmes Sabatini - Gold
JMA Architecture Studios - Gold
Marnell Masonry - Gold
Swisher & Hall - Gold
Poggemeyer Design Group - Silver
Welles Pugsley Architects - Silver
Wright Engineers - Silver
Leo A Daly - Copper
Martin-Harris Construction - Copper
PSWC Architects - Copper
Architect Ali M Taghdir, AIA - Bronze
Bennett & Jimenez - Bronze
Carpenter Sellers - Bronze
Engineering Structural Solutions - Bronze
Friedmutter Group - Bronze
TJ Krob - Bronze

CAESARS TEAM
Marnell Masonry - Gold
RHR Consulting Engineers - Silver
Bergman Walls & Associates - Copper

WYNN TEAM
Marnell Corrao Architecture - Titanium

AIA LAS VEGAS BOARD TEAM
Indigo Architecture - Copper
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The Las Vegas Chapter of The American Institute of Architects is proud to share with you the exploration and discovery of "The Power of Architecture." In the last 100 years, Las Vegas has grown from a small water stop on the Old Spanish Trail to the glittering "entertainment capital of the world." Some say it is an impractical city located in an impossible place that defies all odds. Yet here it is—a thriving, growing, economically stable, and thoroughly modern city in the middle of the desert. It is the story of what is here and how it functions that provides the reason and the theme for the AIA 2005 National Convention. The Power of Architecture: Imagine, Create, Transform. No other city demonstrates this theme more precisely, or more eloquently.

We have arranged a variety of truly exceptional learning and entertainment opportunities for you through tours, exhibits, dining-by-design events, and a fabulous host chapter party. Enjoy!

**Lucky In Las Vegas Host Chapter Party**

Sample the “high-roller” lifestyle and the very best of everything in Las Vegas at this party of a lifetime. Held in the “Garden of the Gods” pool oasis at Caesars Palace, we’ll feature world-class entertainment from the top shows on the Strip, music, celebrity impersonators, showgirls, scrumptious delicacies, sparkling libations delivered from fountains of ice, and a (mock) gaming experience at its fastest and finest. You’ll be provided with gaming chips and all the cards are stacked in your favor. Try your luck and perhaps win tickets to the Celine Dion show, dinner at one of the fabulous restaurants, a vacation package, or any number of other stellar prizes. Nowhere else in Las Vegas will you get as much for your entertainment dollar and still walk away a winner. Entertainment and luck await you at this celebration of the very best of everything in our fabulous city! Note: Must be 21-years-old or older to attend.

**Viva Las Vegas Tours**

From historic landmarks such as Hoover Dam on Lake Mead, to the behind-the-scenes look at the casino and hospitality industry at the Bellagio and Mandalay Bay, these tours will captivate and inspire you. Over 60 different professional and guest tours have been arranged at an exciting and compelling variety of locations—Death Valley, Yucca Mountain, Zion National Park, The Lakes of Las Vegas, health care facilities, the Las Vegas libraries, Boulder City, Las Vegas schools (including McCaw Mines), the Biosphere, and many others.

**Dining by Design**

Immerse yourself in an evening of architecture and fine food. It may include gourmet dining in one of the many AAA Five Diamond Award winning restaurants or a tour of an architect’s firm and dinner with one of Las Vegas’ most famous chefs. It may be a visit to the 3-story wine rack at Aureole, a view of the city from the Ghostbar atop the Palms Hotel & Casino, or a glimpse of old Vegas on Fremont Street. The choice is yours, and the evening’s activities are sure to be unusual, inspiring, and delicious.

**AIA Las Vegas Host Chapter Store, Lounge, and Gallery**

Conveniently located inside AIA Expo2005, the AIA Las Vegas Host Chapter Store, Lounge, and Gallery allow you to shop, relax, and see some of Las Vegas’ finest structures all in one place. The Store features the latest in contemporary and modern art, office items, gifts, furniture, and home furnishings. The AIA Las Vegas Host Chapter Lounge is located beside the store and is a peaceful place to rest a bit before continuing your trip through the expo. In the Gallery area, we are pleased to present Ten Years of Excellence In Design, featuring the award winning projects from the AIA Nevada Design Awards over the past ten years.

**Best of Las Vegas Exhibits**

AIA Las Vegas has put together three exhibitions. “The Vegas Century” will feature 100 buildings, people, and ideas that have made Las Vegas the world’s most dazzling city. “Ten Years of Excellence in Design” will showcase the award-winning projects of the AIA Nevada Excellence in Design Awards Program. “Voices in Nevada’s Art & Architecture” will compare and contrast the extraordinary talents of some of the most innovative young designers in Las Vegas.
DOUGLAS L. STEIDL, FAIA, TAKES OFFICE AS 2004-05 AIA PRESIDENT

Douglas L. Steidl, FAIA, founding principal of Braun & Steidl Architects, Inc. of Akron and Columbus, Ohio was inaugurated as the 81st president of The American Institute of Architects (AIA) during ceremonies held on December 3rd in Washington, D.C. Steidl succeeds Michigan architect Eugene C. Hopkins, FAIA, and will represent the over 74,000 members of the AIA in the coming year.

Steidl is a founding principal of Braun & Steidl, Akron and Columbus, Ohio, a general practice firm and recipient of AIA Ohio's Gold Medal Firm Award. Steidl and his firm provide architectural planning and interior design services for university, medical, religious, and commercial projects, for which they have won several design awards.

Steidl served on the AIA's board as a regional director from 1998-2000, at which time he proposed that the Institute's budget be tied to the objectives of the AIA's strategic plan. He went on to serve as vice president (2000-01), treasurer (2001-03) and first vice president (2003-04) of the AIA. He has also been a member of the Finance and Audit and Component Business Development committees and served on the Professional Interest Areas' (PIA) Council and the PIA Executive Committee. Steidl has also been active at the state level, serving as the state convention chair, director, treasurer, president-elect, and president. Locally, he was president of AIA Akron and chair of its Government Affairs Committee. Steidl earned his bachelor of arts degree in architecture (BArch) from Carnegie Mellon University and served three and a half years as a Civil Engineer Corps officer with the U.S. Navy.

AIA ADVOCACY DAY

The 2005 AIA Grassroots Leadership and Legislative Conference's Advocacy Day is the one time a year when Institute state and local leaders gather in Washington, DC to take their message directly to members of Congress Capitol Hill.

Wednesday afternoon, February 9th, kicks off Advocacy Day with a presentation of the AIA issues agenda and message for Capitol Hill. Thursday morning, February 10th, Grassroots Conference attendees will hear from a panel of speakers who will describe the current environment in Congress and the opportunities for AIA involvement in the legislative process.

For more information on Advocacy Day, visit the AIA Web site, www.aia.org, go to the Government Advocacy home page, click "Information for Grassroots 2005."

NORMAN L. KOONCE, FAIA, ANNOUNCES RETIREMENT FROM THE AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS

Executive Vice President and Chief Executive Officer of The AIA, Norman L. Koonce will retire on December 31, 2005, to turn his attention to emerging issues related to the profession. Next December will mark seven years of service as the AIA's EVP/CEO.

Koonce assumed leadership of the AIA's national component in 1999 after 10 years as President of the American Architectural Foundation. He practiced architecture for over 28 years in Louisiana while serving as an active volunteer leader with the AIA. He received his degree in architectural engineering from Louisiana State University. In 1988, he was elevated to the College of Fellows. He was named the 1998 recipient of the AIA Edward C. Kemper award, given in recognition of his long history of service to the profession of architecture. Koonce also received the AIA Louisiana Medal of Honor in 2000.

CALATRAVA WINS 2005 AIA GOLD MEDAL

Santiago Calatrava, FAIA, whose soaring structural poetry in bridges and buildings has garnered international acclaim, was selected December 2 by the AIA Board of Directors to receive the 2005 AIA Gold Medal. The highest honor the Institute confers to an individual, the Gold Medal recognizes an individual whose significant body of work has had a lasting influence on the theory and practice of architecture. Calatrava will be presented with the medal at the 2005 American Architectural Foundation Accent on Architecture Gala, February 11, 2005, at the National Building Museum in Washington, D.C.

"I feel very honored," Calatrava said, upon learning the news of his award via a telephone call to Zurich from AIA President Eugene C. Hopkins, FAIA, and the rest of the AIA Board. "I will try to stay at this level of honor for the rest of my career to honor you with my work."
AIA BOARD APPROVES NEW PUBLIC POLICIES

During the December 2004 meeting of the AIA Board of Directors approved 10 AIA Public Policies, which are structured as part of a policy framework that addresses "The Architect," "The Practice," and "The World" as follows:

Architecture profoundly affects people. The work of architects is essential to human well being, and architects must embrace their ethical obligation to uphold this public trust.

The Architect
As members of their communities, architects are professionally obligated to use their knowledge, skill, and experience to engage in civic life. Design, construction, and society are constantly changing. To serve society, architects must commit to continual professional growth through learning, innovation, and exploration. The practice of architecture should be regulated. The privileges and responsibilities of practice should be extended only to those architects who demonstrate through education, experience, and examination that they are ethically and technically prepared.

The Practice
With an obligation to the future of the architecture profession, architects must encourage, recruit, and inspire those who would become architects. Regulation of the construction industry shapes the built environment. As stakeholders, architects must participate in the development and application of appropriate regulations and standards. The financial health of architecture businesses is essential to the future of the profession. Architects should advocate within the law for sound business practices and compensation reflecting the architect's value to society.

The World
Leadership in design and construction requires collaboration. Architects must encourage and celebrate the contributions of those who bring diverse experiences, views, and needs into the design process. Architecture expresses the values of society and has the power to enhance the quality of life for this and future generations. Architects must advocate for responsible design that results in beautiful and healthy places that respect and accommodate society's diverse cultures and needs. The creation and operation of the built environment require an investment of the earth's resources. Architects must be environmentally responsible and advocate for the sustainable use of those resources.

AIA SMALL PROJECT FORUM

As you already know, the AIA National Convention will be held in Las Vegas in May 2005. The Small Project Forum (SPF) Knowledge Community sponsors several activities at the convention specifically targeted to our membership. We are seeking volunteers from the Las Vegas area to help make these activities a success. They need help "on the ground" with venues, logistics, and speakers. If you have some time to devote to a half year of service to the SPF Convention Activity Committee, please let them know. This is a great way to get connected to a collegial network of SPF members nationwide and to enhance the convention for all.

For more information on how to get involved, please contact David Hughes, SPF Advisory Group Chair 2005 at: dch-dcharchitects@sbcglobal.net

AIA COTE CALLS FOR 2005 TOP TEN GREEN PROJECTS SUBMISSIONS

The AIA Committee on the Environment (COTE)-in partnership with the Environmental Protection Agency's ENERGY STAR® and Target Finder programs and BuildingGreen Inc.-invites U.S. licensed architects to submit high-performance, sustainable design solutions for the 2005 AIA/COTE Top Ten Green Projects competition.

The Top Ten Green Projects program seeks to identify and recognize the benefits of this type of design approach and acknowledge architects as experts in the creation of energy-conscious and environmentally responsible design solutions. To educate the architecture community and the public at large, COTE also places a high value on sustainable design practices for developers, building owners, and occupants.

Eligibility

The COTE Top Ten program is an international competition; projects may be located anywhere in the world, but must be designed by an architect licensed in the U.S. Entries may be large or small projects, new construction or renovations, and of any project type. Projects must have been completed after 1994.

Schedule

January 10, 2005: Early registration and project submittal until 5:00 p.m. EST
February 7: Final registration and project submittal until 5:00 p.m. EST
March 11: Notification to all entrants of the jury's decisions
April 22 (Earth Day): Release of winners by AIA media relations
April 28 (Tentative): Lecture/Presentation at the National Building Museum
May 19-21: Lecture/reception and exhibition at the AIA National Convention, Las Vegas

Go to www.aiatopten.org for full details
COTE SUSTAINING NEVADA LECTURE SERIES, SEASON II

The AIA Las Vegas Committee on the Environment is pleased to bring another strong lineup of truly visionary architects to the valley that are committed to both consistently good design and sustainable building.

The 2nd Sustaining Nevada Lecture Series will be coming to the UNLV Architecture Studies Library and will feature some of the most successful and dynamic architecture firms from around the country. All of the speakers are widely recognized leaders in the practice of sustainable design.

The lectures will be held the first Wednesday of each month, through May 2005. All lectures will begin at 7:00 pm with a reception with light hors d'oeuvres at 6:30. Dates with Confirmed speakers are:

02.09 - Bob Berkebile: BNIM Architects, Kansas City, MO
03.02 - DavidArkin & Anni Tilt: ArkinTilt Architects, Berkeley, CA
04.06 - Heinz Rudolf (Invited): BOOR Architects, Portland, OR
05.04 - Muscoe Martin: Wallace, Roberts & Todd, Philadelphia, PA

Please contact Rick Van Diepen - rvdiepen@pgal.com, or Lance Kirk - ljkkirk@lgainc.com if you would like to either sponsor a particular speaker, or if you would like to contribute to this year's lecture series in any amount.

AISC OFFERS FREE ONLINE SEISMIC SEMINAR

AISC is offering a six-hour online seminar to help engineers throughout the country apply the 2002 AISC Seismic Provisions to their projects. "Seismic Design and the 2002 AISC Seismic Provisions" provides designers with critical information on:

- New materials and notch toughness requirements
- Revised compactness requirements
- New column splice provisions
- Detailed revisions to moment frame requirements
- New weld access hole detailing for moment frame connections
- Changes to special truss moment frames
- Extensive revisions to concentrically braced frames
- New eccentrically braced frame requirements
- Revised quality assurance provisions
- Recommendations for moment frame connection prequalification
- Extensive revisions to composite steel seismic systems

There is no charge for taking the seminar, however, there is a processing fee involved in receiving a CEU Certificate. AISC members can purchase a certificate awarding 0.6 CEU's for $25 while non-members can purchase the certificate for $50. For more information on the online seismic seminar, visit www.aisc.org/seminars.

2004 LUNCHTIME LEARNING

Get your AIA C.E. Credits by attending these interesting and informative luncheons throughout the year.

January 27, 2005
"Seismic Site Classification Techniques in the Las Vegas Valley" - Western Technologies
11:30AM - Memphis BBQ 1401 S. Rainbow

February 24th, 2005
Benchmark Consulting Services
March 24th, 2005
Raven Industries
April 28th, 2005
"Homeland Security" - LV Window Tint
May, 2005
No Program in May
June 23rd, 2005
Dow Chemical
July 28, 2005
Lerch Bates
August 25th, 2005
"Incorporating Interactive Whiteboard Into Your Designs" - SMART Technologies
September 22nd, 2005
"Incorporating to Sustainability and Responsible Interior Wall Finishes" - InPro Corporation
October 27th, 2005
Semco
November 17th, 2005
Schirmer Engineering
December 8th, 2005
Vertical Mobility

Please RSVP to Kelly Lavigne at 895.0936 if you wish to attend either of these seminars. Please do not RSVP if you are not sure you will be able to attend as space is limited.
Go to aia.org, click on the Continuing Education page, enter your member number and your password - which is your last name - and get the full list of your current credits; or call 800-605-8229 and provide your member number to receive the update of your credits.

**CHECK YOUR WEBSITES**

**aianevada.org** - This is your AIA Nevada website. You will want to check for updates new legislation and issues that affect the profession, and possibly need your attention or action. This is also where you’ll find information on the 2003 AIA Nevada Excellence In Design and Distinguished Service Awards program, and links to all vital AIA resources.

**aiawmr.org** - This is your Western Mountain Region website. Check it often for issues that concern our region and for the latest updates from AIA National Board Meetings. You’ll also find information here for the 2003 WMR Conference and the WMR Design and Honor Awards Programs.

**aialasvegas.org** - This is your home site and will provide all information on Chapter events and activities, resources, programs and opportunities. Check it often for updates and to RSVP for meetings and events.

**TheAIAtrust.com** - This is your site for your AIA benefits provided through the AIA Trust. Check it often for insurance, retirement and legal information.

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$35 For Guests

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Memphis BBQ 1401 S. Rainbow

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