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Architects and the Bottom Line

A few months ago, I took part in a state AIA Convention, at which a corporate chief presented the client's view of architecture. He was a thoughtful and articulate speaker on the subject, and a well-qualified one, since he was then building his own company's new headquarters building while serving on the building committee for the local museum expansion. For the corporate building, he reported, a large, businesslike firm, seldom honored for design as such, had been chosen; for the museum, an internationally known design star. Under questioning by the assembled architects, he defended these role distinctions with conviction. For the offices, he said, it was essential to meet complex user needs precisely, on time and on budget; for the museum, on the other hand, he expected a personal design statement, to be completed behind schedule and over budget.

Understandably, the local architects bristled at this type-casting, particularly since its effect was to give both of these choice commissions to out-of-state firms. I found the distinctions between the chosen firms questionable; I knew that the star architect was already working on a comparable corporate headquarters in another city, and I could imagine the businesslike firm turning out a respectable museum if it tried.

Were the criteria for selecting these architects based on real differences in the two commissions, or were they conditioned as much by the places these commissions held in the lives of people like our speaker? As a corporate executive, this man seemed to see efficiency and economy as his principal obligations; when he switched to a volunteer role in a cultural project, his commitment seemed to shift to advancing the art of architecture, even while anticipating inefficiencies. I wondered whether the museum administrators, who make their living delivering culture, weren't taking a tougher stance on the architect's responsibilities.

None of this is to say that this museum architect is failing to meet schedule or budget—or that the corporate-office architect is succeeding at it. The point is that differing degrees of artistry and practicality are applied in these contrasting situations. The relationship of architects to such concerns as budget and schedule is, in fact, ambiguous in several respects.

The architect's real responsibility is not, except in rare instances, to meet the client's narrowest objectives at the minimum cost. As an advocate ofistol architecture, the professional should point out what can be gained by spending more.

There is certainly reason to question the recent preoccupation of American business with the Bottom Line. As Adriano Olivetti pointed out many years ago, profit appears on the cost side of the ledger; it is what the corporation pays to its stockholders. Today, big profits may make an enterprise a more attractive candidate for acquisition—or an executive a more attractive prospect for head-hunters—but they may be hurting the capacity for future profits. (Concentration on the bottom line may also produce a blind spot in considering nonprofit institutions such as museums; without a bottom line to measure by, trustees may fall for economic fantasies and tarnish their architects' names by association.)

We should also be skeptical about references to projects that are "out of budget" or "behind schedule." Often clients decide to expand, upgrade, or otherwise alter projects after initial budgets and schedules are set. It is all too easy for the architects to be unjustifiably blamed for this by outsiders—other architects among them—who don't have all the facts.

With encouragement from a design professional, many a client has looked beyond the immediate profit statement and taken the longer view. In a recent New York Times article on the new Esprit store in Los Angeles, by designer Joseph D'Urso, there is a telling quote from the owners: "We didn't plan on spending so much money. We sort of got caught up in the enthusiasm of it all." There are risks in this sort of escalation, for both owner and designer. Higher building goals, nevertheless, can pay long-term dividends. Just consider what Wright produced for Johnson's Wax or Mies and Johnson for Seagram.

A larger building budget can yield such practical benefits as durability, delayed functional obsolescence, and potential for orderly adaptation or expansion. And it can buy such intangibles as superior marketability, greater user satisfaction, and improved public recognition for the client. Similarly, money wisely invested in institutional buildings can generate public enthusiasm, encourage gifts, and so on.

These, I believe, are the kinds of benefits that the AIA had in mind when it applied the ultra succinct label "Value Architecture" to its 1985 programs. Delivering such benefits, effectively, should justify more generous fees, as well as more favorable public recognition, for architects. And that is a perfectly valid half of the underlying strategy: deliver more valuable buildings, earn more generous fees.

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Opinion: “Why Architects Earn Less”

Although Jusuck Koh’s statements (“Why architects earn less,” P/A, Jan. 1985, p. 71) may apply to a number of architects, his denouncement of architecture schools is rather harsh. It must be realized that architecture is both an art and a science and in my view art deserves to precede science, for the art (design) in architecture is what makes our profession distinct from engineering.

I think the reason why architects earn less is because of the value that society and governments place on architecture; not because of poor training by architecture schools. Architecture encompasses many disciplines; hence architects should be specialists and generalists—specialists as designers, ergo artists.

It is time we stop self-flagellation and raise our professional banner to the public in order to ensure respect. There is always room for improvement, however, as indicated by Mr. Koh’s prescription.

Alexis Felix, Architect

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C.M. McReynolds wished to place blame for low fees on an Oversupply of Architects (P/A, June 1984, p. 55). Mr. Koh seeks to place responsibility on what he sees as a misguided architectural education (“... Few architectural educators with a Ph.D.”—So what?) and on some weakly defined professional “... ineffectiveness and irrelevancy.”

The reasons which contribute to low fees are, I am sure, varied, complex, and numerous. However, it seems that the main reason we earn less than other professionals is that we charge less and exacerbate the situation by giving far too much free advice. We look the other way at situations which, not altogether legally, circumvent architectural services. Peripherally, certainly architectural education can be improved. (I don’t see any benefit in “... organized education in teaching.” None of the other professions do this and it seems not to have hurt their pay or profitability.)

Improvement of professional effectiveness continues in many of the areas which he lists. If I understand [Mr. Koh] correctly, and I am not sure that I do, I think much has been happening in these areas for a good while. I can’t see any relationship to fees. I think the motivation for any such undertaking should be in areas other than compensation.

I strongly disagree that architects are not now relevant and are headed for obsolescence. Obviously, he and I know a different set of professionals. What [Mr. Koh] states would make us more relevant, we did or are doing (with the exceptions of point #3 where I am confused by what he says and #5 with which I disagree). I see no evidence that we are greatly different from other architects currently practicing.

I most emphatically disagree that “... anything less than changing the structure of our profession and its belief system will result in architects as dispensable professionals.” I do think that we will continue to seek and force improvement in our profession as do any professionals. I don’t see obsolescence. I see expanding significance and a willingness to seek out and make the fullest possible use of our skills. I admit to only one slight fear: Will we shy away from demanding that we be adequately paid for our willingness to provide the service and take on the liability?

Bert Sayfarth, architect

East Lansing, Mich.

Chicago tower: homage misplaced

The project for the 190 South LaSalle Street office tower in Chicago, by John Burgee Architects with Philip Johnson, is hardly in “homage to Louis S.” (P/A, “In progress,” Feb. 1985); it has, instead, all too much to do with Burnham & Root’s long demolished Masonic Temple of 1890–92, which stood 20 stories tall on the northeast corner of State and Randolph, Chicago. The ornamented gables of the old building made a lot more sense. They expressed the fraternal lodge surroundings to provide the service and take on the liability?

Donald Hoffmann

Kansas City, Mo.

Credit correction

A write-up for Jason Industrial’s Pirelli Rubber Flooring (Feb. 1985, p. 177) miscredited the design. The product item should have said, “first introduced in 1982 in the Maison de Verre, designed by Pierre Chareau and Bernard Bijvoet . . .”

Photo credit correction

The name of the photographer for the article on the Thomas Gordon Smith house (P/A, March 1985, pp. 86–90) was misspelled. It should have said “Photographs: Henry Bowles.”
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Pritzker 85:
Hans Hollein

After selecting a string of mainstream or high modernists, the jury for this year's Pritzker Prize has opted for a lesser known and certainly more eccentric choice. Hans Hollein, an Austrian architect, is the seventh laureate but only the third from outside the States.

Like the first foreign laureate, Luis Barragán, and the second, James Stirling, Hollein is a provocative selection that departs from the Pritzker laureate profile of recent years in several ways. While well known in architectural circles, his is not a household name with the widespread lay public recognition accorded Philip Johnson, I.M. Pei, or more recently Richard Meier. His built oeuvre is smaller and quirkier. Although Hollein has a masters from Berkeley and did graduate work with Mies at IIT, the architect has only two completed commissions in this country—the 1969 Feigen Gallery, and the 1983 Ludwig Beck shop in the Trump Tower, both in New York. His work abroad, however, including the Austrian Travel Agency Offices (1982, P/A, Dec. 1979, pp. 76–79), the Schullin Jewelry shops (1974 and 1982, P/A, June 1983, pp. 76–79) in Vienna, and his Municipal Museum Abteiberg in Mönchengladbach (1982, P/A, March 1975, p. 34) have been published extensively. The 51-year-old architect is also known for furniture and products designed for Memphis, Alessi, Swid Powell, Knoll, M.I.D. Austria, and other manufacturers. His exhibition on Viennese culture entitled "Dream and Reality" opened in Vienna in March of this year.

Several promising projects now underway also justify the jury's selection. Hollein captured the prestigious commissions for Frankfurt’s Museum of Modern Art (P/A, Aug. 1983, pp. 94–95) and Berlin's Cultural Forum (P/A, March 1984, p. 28), both awarded through international competitions. He is also building an apartment house in Berlin for IBA 87. Cited by Pritzker jury secretary Brendan Gill as "that comparatively rare thing in contemporary architecture, an artist-architect," Hollein was also praised for his teaching—at Yale, Washington University in St. Louis, Dusseldorf, and Vienna. He receives the $100,000 prize and a bronze replica of a sculpture by Henry Moore from prize sponsors, The Hyatt Foundation. Daralice D. Boles
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Twentieth-Century American decorative and industrial design is to be the subject of a fall show at the Whitney Museum of American Art (Sept. 19 through Jan. 5, 1986). Five scholars and critics are selecting the objects: David Hanks (Philadelphia Museum of Art) for 1900–1915; David Gebhard (U.C. Santa Barbara) for 1915–1930; Rosemarie Haag Bletter (NYU) for 1930–1945; critic Esther McCoy for 1945–1965; and House & Garden editor Martin Filler for 1960–1975.

● Venturi Rausch & Scott Brown are designing the installation. A catalog and symposium are also planned.

And the Cooper-Hewitt Museum, New York, is hosting a show on illustrated design books (May 21–Oct. 6) from the 16th to the 20th Centuries. Pattern books, perspectives, manuals, trade catalogs, and illustrated manuals fill out the survey.

London's Trafalgar Square is once again the site of a design competition. The program: redevelopment of the "Grand Buildings" (former Grand Hotel), the bowed-front block, catty corner from the National Gallery, whose competition controversy has yet to be resolved.

[AIA Honor Awards: Another All-Star Group]

Again this year, AIA's Honor Awards for completed works of architecture are going largely to well-known buildings by established firms. As we said last year at this time (P/A, May 1984, p. 22), we can hardly quibble if work already recognized by the major magazines also wins the AIA jury's approval. It may confirm that the press and the profession are sharing valid standards—or it may mean we are letting success breed success.

This year, 12 projects were honored out of more than 600 submitted. Two of these involve reworking of existing buildings—a welcome advance over one per year for the past couple of years. They are the Church Court Condominiums in Boston, by Graham Gund Associates (P/A, Feb. 1985, pp. 88–93) and the restored Pike Place Market in Seattle, by George Bartholick; the jury deserves extra credit for recognizing the latter, the great virtue of which is that it doesn't look restored at all.


Jurors for this year's Honor Awards competition were James Stewart Polshek, FAIA, New York (chairman); Thomas L. Bowditch, FAIA, Seattle; Robert C. Galbraith, Cambridge, Mass.; William H. Grover, AIA, Essex, Conn.; O. Jack Mitchell, FAIA, Houston; Roger Schluntz, AIA, Tempe, Ariz.; Harry Weese, FAIA, Chicago; Alejandro Barberena, AIA associate member, Austin, Texas; James Kalsbeek, student member, Cincinnati, Ohio. [John Morris Dixon]
West Week

There was something for every one of the 12,000 architects and designers who attended West Week, held March 27-29 at the Pacific Design Center in Los Angeles. This year’s market event, entitled “Form and Purpose,” presented a number of noted figures from a variety of fields. Dr. Jonas Salk, the conference’s keynote speaker, stressed the need for developing “an evolutionary approach to survival” based on interdependence, cooperation, and a “both/and” attitude toward problem solving. Speaking “both/and,” architect Robert Venturi offered an overview of Venturi Rauch & Scott Brown’s work to a packed house, and architect Moshe Safdie gave a presentation of his own work, also to standing-room-only crowds. A West Week highlight was William F. Buckley, Jr.’s keynote address to the PDC’s Business Conference; his remarks on the current economic and political scene delighted and confounded equal portions of the audience.

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$7500 honorarium (PAPA was also awarded the $10,000 first prize). Five additional awards of merit were issued to Steve Luoni, Columbus, Ohio; A/L Design, New York; Richard Friedson, San Diego, Calif.; de Brer, Ahlers, Brachet, Houston, Texas, and Greg Izor, Escondido, Calif. PAPA principals Charles Slert and Richard Dalynple joined by DMJM for the competition’s second phase, expect to see their 84,000-square-foot city hall under construction next year. The city had saved up the $8 million required for that portion of the project; phase two—a comprehensive package that includes a 160,000-square-foot regional government office building, a 25,000-square-foot conference center, a 500-seat civic center, and a 25,000-square-foot fine arts museum priced at $4 million—goes to the voters this November. This inflated program will serve a growing constituency: Population in the Escondido area, 100 miles south of L.A., is projected to jump from 350,000 to 1.5 million in 20 years.

PAPA’s scheme appealed for several reasons. The professional jury cited its careful separation of civic and cultural facilities, confusingly combined in other schemes, and the integration of the new 13-acre complex with the existing 16-acre Grape Day Park. But it was the scheme’s Mediterranean overtones—its arcades, fountains, trellises, and courtyards, all rendered in seductive water colors—that the local press praised as providing an image and architecture for the would-be regional capital. Daralice D. Boles

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Wood Council Awards

Thirteen renovations ranging from the adaptive reuse of old warehouses to the remodeling of a World War II USO Hall have been recognized by the American Wood Council. Jurors Joan E. Goody of Goody, Clancy & Associates; Joseph Esherick of Esherick Homsey Dodge & Davis; and E. Jay Jones of Fay Jones & Associates selected twelve projects for awards, including the Hidden Harbor Restaurant, Pompano Beach, Fla. (The Architects Inc., Cleveland, Ohio); RPI Playhouse, Troy, N.Y. (Bohlin Powell Larkin Cywinski, Pittsburgh, Pa.); Mary Lyon Hall, Norton, Mass. (CBT/Childs Bertman Tseckares & Casendino, Boston, Mass.); 402 North Main, Randolph, Mass. (Charles T. Stifter Architects, Boston, Mass.); Wilson Temple House addition, Portland, Oreg. (Fletcher Finch Farr Ayotte, Portland, Oreg.); HCDATA offices, Coral Gables, Fla. (HCDATA, Inc.); Hospital renovation and Building 12 reconstruction, Fort Humboldt, Eureka, Calif. (Office of the State Architect, Sacramento, Calif.); The Athenaeum Hotel, Chautauqua, N.Y. (Robert C. Carde Architects, Cleveland, Ohio); Simpson Hall, Nyack, N.Y. (Schofield Colgan, Nyack, N.Y.); City Hall & Davis Buildings, St. Marys, Ga. (The Spriggs Group, Savannah, Ga.); Cakebread Cellars, Rutherford, Calif. (William Turnbull Associates, San Francisco, Calif.). A special citation was awarded to Guy L. Rando & Associates, Reston, Va., for the National Country Garden at the U.S. National Arboretum, Washington, D.C.

Biltmore Bungles: Who's to Blame?

The Biltmore Hotel, one of the most opulent buildings in downtown Los Angeles, is being remodeled for the second time in ten years. Designed by Schultz and Weaver in 1923, the Beaux Arts building, with its lavish Churriguereesque public spaces, was sensitively restored by Phyllis Lambert and Gene Summers in 1978 (P/A, Nov. 1978, pp. 86-71). Last year, the hotel was sold to Westgroup. The developers plan to reduce the number of hotel rooms from over 1000 to 728, remodel some of the restaurant areas, and—most significant—add a 27-story parking and office tower to the northwest rear corner of the hotel. While the remodeling seems to be in good hands under the supervision of Barnett Schorr of Seattle, the tower addition designed by Landau Associates of Santa Monica poses some serious questions.

Whether by architectural design or client's desire, the new building will completely reorganize the Biltmore's entry sequence. The addition rests atop a suburban-style automobile court, co-opting a grand ballroom as the new reception area and relocating the main entrance to the former end of a secondary cross axis. While the developers argue that the original grand lobby will be transformed into a palm court in the manner of New York's Plaza Hotel, it will hardly survive as a living room off Pershing Square.

Landau's proposed tower is awkward, at best. Attempts to match the materials and style of the original building fail dismally. The first ten stories of the structure, reserved for parking, butt a nearly blank brick wall against the side facade of the Biltmore. No attempt was made to replicate the original fenestration pattern through blind windows, or to find a more elegant solution to the parking problem. The porte-cochere is sheltered by a completely inappropriate contemporary glass canopy. The fancy gable roof owes more to Philip Johnson than Schultz and Weaver.

It is a pity that Westgroup is so oblivious to the value of its investment as to add onto the hotel in this insensitive manner. Still more discouraging is the fact that the Community Redevelopment Agency and the Central City Association, both of which profess an interest in revitalizing Pershing Square, could allow this travesty to take place.
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Erickson
Under Glass

"She searched through long-forgotten files," says Arthur Erickson of researcher and curator Barbara E. Shapiro, "and found scratches I didn’t remember existed." The scratches—the important ones, that is—as well as working models, working drawings, photographs, and material samples, make up the exhibition Arthur Erickson, Selected Projects 1971-85 (through June 6) at the Center for Inter-American Relations in New York, traveling thereafter to Montreal, Vancouver, London, England, and London, Ontario. Nineteen projects, several of them built, are organized chronologically within categories: Single-family housing; Museums and Theatres (including the Museum of Anthropology of 1971-76, and Roy Thomson Hall, Toronto, of 1976-82); Commercial buildings (including two projects for New York—one for developer Donald Trump); Massive urban development projects (including Bunker Hill and three fascinating conservation-development schemes, now on hold, for Baghdad); and Government projects (including Robson Square, 1973-83, and the planned Canadian Chancery in D.C.).

The exhibition treats Erickson’s work in a particularly thoughtful way, and applies an approach unusual in architectural exhibits. Shapiro utilizes, as far as feasible, the art historical methods of Harvard Art Professor and Fogg Curator of Drawings Konrad Oberhuber. Each artifact is examined both as an art object in its own right, and as a document of a historical process. For the Erickson show, several years in the making, she chose only objects produced in the normal routine of the office, commissioning no presentation drawings or models especially for the event. Many of the models, then, are rough; even telecopier prints are included when they reveal an important stage in the design process, or when the original is lost.

This “process” method, exciting as it is, conceptually, for architectural subjects, provokes two questions with regard to the present exhibition. If action is implied, why not go further and tack up the working artifacts as they would be in an office, rather than freezing them in prissy frames? And, more important, why choose Arthur Erickson, the very embodiment of smoothness and overripe elegance, for a rough-edged expose?

To the latter question, Shapiro responds, “Erickson has not been properly understood. Architects work, as well as for respected architects and critics who haven’t given him thorough attention, this type of exposition can reveal his intelligence and can permit proper discussion of his work.”

This is true, up to a point. Erickson’s development—from linear to perspectival to curvilinear (compare Wright, says Shapiro)—is made evident even in the category Single Family Houses alone. But what is also evident is Erickson’s overindulgence and overeclecticism—one could say his promiscuity. He is widely traveled, and cannot resist injecting too many rich and exotic motifs, in the Chen house, and in the Chancery, for example. His taste for luxurious or shiny materials oversweets the rigors of his modernist training—as in Roy Thomson Hall.

Nevertheless, Shapiro’s approach, deeply researched, carefully selected, meaningfully organized, should be remembered, and be repeated in future architecture exhibitions—next time, with a more suitable subject.

Susan Doubilet

Highway 86:
Retardataire Fair?

Plans for Expo 86 in Vancouver, B.C., are proceeding apace. New York firm SITE has just unveiled its competition-winning scheme for the main plaza. Highway 86 is a madcap, 711-foot-long undulating, four-lane highway flanked by corporate and national pavilions and covered with every conceivable transportation mode (this Expo’s theme), from tennis shoes to lunar modules, all rendered in a monochromatic gray. This motley phalanx merges from False Creek, heads north, and ends in an upended off ramp over the real highway.

It’s conceived, say its creators, “as a commentary on people’s ambivalent relationship with technology in the 1980s, when this theme can be perceived as leading to either utopia or apocalypse. Also, since the roadway emerges from the sea like a primordial creature, it can be interpreted as a humorous view of Darwin’s Theory of Evolution.”

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to be dismantled after the fair when the site becomes a Vancouver version of the new town in town (P/A, July 1983, p. 32). Wines hopes some other home can be found for his highway. All but four of the tubular steel corporate and national temples will also come down. Last year's L.A. Olympics, for all the hype, found a far more original way to deal with the temporary nature and tight economics of contemporary mega-events. This expo promises no such innovation.

Durlalic D. Bales

Modern Living in Le Mondrian

When Cesar Pelli tried to turn the Museum of Modern Art Tower into Piet Mondrian's "Broadway Boogie Woogie," he ultimately toned down a red, yellow, and blue pattern to the more sedate palette of gray, brown, and blue. West Hollywood, on the other hand, welcomed Le Mondrian, a new hotel whose 100,000-square-foot surface has been painted in an "interpretation" of the artist's late work.

The hotel is the latest in a chain of hostels owned by the Ashkenazy brothers, who make it their business to take drab apartment buildings, with as few distinguishing architectural features as possible, and turn them into "hotels de grande classe" through the addition of such luxury touches as telephones in the toilets, provincial masters on the walls, and French furniture in the lobbies. Each hotel in the line appeals to a distinct market through a carefully chosen image, from the High French (high society) L'Ermitage to the more "contemporary" businessman's Bel Age. For Le Mondrian, the Ashkenazys called in Israeli artist Yaacov Agam to do no less than rescue a mass of L-shaped floors from banality with no more than a paintbrush. Agam trained for the commission in Miami, where he transformed the Villa Regina, a 27-story condominium building cowering between two Arquitectonica extravaganzas, into a "kinetic" assemblage employing thousands of colors. Le Mondrian is (comparatively) more subdued, boasting only a series of stripes of alternating colors running up the façade and along the pool area.

Le Mondrian has already drawn an MTV-crowd of rock stars and their entourages. The hotel is art (or architecture, or advertising) at its easiest and flashiest, geared for architecture, in the words of frequent guest Madonna, "in the material world."

Aaron Betsky

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First AIA Research Conference

There's growing sentiment that the architectural profession must become more research-based (as well as more businesslike) if it is to thrive. There are forces that give that sentiment credence: the example of more successful research-oriented professions, such as medicine for instance, and the growing expectation in the courts that architects keep abreast of pertinent research.

In March, the AIA, with support from Otis Elevator, made that sentiment official, holding its first research conference. The event focused on four topics considered among the most pressing by the Architectural Research Council: energy, life safety and codes, building redesign, and the design of specialized facilities. With over 450 conference registrants, the presentations were well attended, although concurrent sessions made the hearing of all but a fraction of the papers impos-
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sible. And with some of the country's leading architectural researchers present, the quality of information was quite high, although that information might have been made more accessible to nonspecialists through overview presentations in each research area.

The conference did bring out differences within the research community, ranging from the interpretation of research findings (life-safety experts, for instance, strongly disagreed over the results of research conducted on the sprinklering of buildings) to the definition of what constitutes architectural research—one camp advocating a rigorous scientific method complete with control groups, another relying on the compilation of on-site observations. The conference also highlighted differences between architects and researchers. Researchers, in the opinion of some architects in the audience, too often study irrelevant questions or draw obvious conclusions, while more than one researcher remarked that architects sometimes seem to care only about research that helps their business. The resolution of those differences—and the placing of the profession on a firmer research base—will only come through more such conferences. Although the AIA's commitment to research is not as firm as might be desired or expected, the Institute does plan to make this conference an annual event. Thomas Fisher

The Indefatigable Charlotte Perriand

Thanks to the recent exhibition of her work at the Musée des Arts Décoratifs in Paris and the accompanying monograph entitled Un art de vivre, Charlotte Perriand's contribution to contemporary architecture is at last acknowledged, free of Le Corbusier's shadow. Perriand brought a specific expertise in the field of furniture, acquired at the École des Arts Décoratifs, to the "patient search workshop" of Le Corbusier and Pierre Jeanneret, which she joined in 1927.

After directing the construction of the 1937 Temps Nouveaux pavilion, Perriand left Corb's workshop to focus on the design of compact environments, including bathrooms or portable mountain shelters, work influenced by her fascination for Alpine cultures. With the outbreak of World War II, Perriand sailed for Japan where she spent several years working for the Takashimaya Department Stores, exploring the techniques of lightweight wood furniture.

Returning to France in 1946, she put together a catalog of wood tables and chairs that reflected fully both the Japanese experience and the Alpine inspiration. These components were sold in the 1950s, with the designs of Jean Prouvé and Isamu Noguchi, at the Galerie Steph Simon in Paris.

Over the last two decades, the tireless Perriand has proceeded to transform her ideal, minimal environment into reality, at Les Arcs ski resort in the Alps. More concerned with the vision of a fluid, if restrained, living space than with any fetish for industrial materials, Perriand has avoided the febrile pulsations of French fashion. She remains a major influence on French design.

This spring's exhibition highlighted the most impressive moments of this journey through modern architecture, accompanied by Perriand's own commentary, in which she underlines the significance of life-long friendships with Jeanneret, Prouvé, and Sakakura. Unfortunately, this warm presence was not evident in some of the exhibits, which showed not the original pieces but more recent replicas, and too few original drawings. Jean-Louis Cohen

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Tax and Budget Proposals: The Impact on Architects

Ronald Reagan's domestic agenda for his second term aims at two targets: tax reform and deficit reduction. The President's budget for Fiscal Year 1986 is on the table; his tax plan is still in the pocket. In summarizing both the tax and budget plans here, particular emphasis is given to those aspects affecting the building industry, together with the responses registered (or not registered) by the American Institute of Architects and the National Trust for Historic Preservation.

The Budget

What's on this year's hit list? David Stockman's triage scenario schedules some 125 Federal programs for elimination, ranging from Amtrak to the Job Corps, from civil service retirement to urban development grants. Briefly, those proposals affecting the related fields of construction, preservation, and urban development include:

• Zero funding for the National Trust for Historic Preservation
• Elimination of the Center for Building Technology, in the National Bureau of Standards
• Elimination of the Center for Fire Research, NBS
• Zero funding for Urban Development Action Grants
• Ten percent reduction in Community Development Block Grants
• Two-year moratorium for Rental Rehabilitation Grants, Rental Housing Development Grants, and Rehabilitation Loan Fund Grants
• Zero contribution to the International Council on Monuments and Sites
• $19.2 million reduction in the budget of the National Endowment for the Arts
• One-third reduction in the staff of the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation

The Treasury's Tax Reform Proposal

Donald Regan's "Tax Reform for Fairness, Simplicity, and Economic Growth: the Treasury Department Report to the President," the probable basis for a Reagan plan, is "revenue-neutral," by the President's request. That is, it keeps income constant while redistributing the tab. Some aspects of the plan, such as the elimination of investment tax credits and the Accelerated Cost Recovery System (ACRS), would have a direct impact on the building industry, reducing investment in plants and equipment. Others are more insidious. The elimination of all deductions for charitable contributions totaling less than two percent of gross income hits such civic organizations as the National Trust or New York's Municipal Arts Society (not to mention the legions of museums, universities, etc.) where it hurts. Many would also be adversely affected by the stricter rules proposed for property donations and easements.

A sampling of other provisions shows how pervasive the plan would be: all tax incentives for historic preservation and rehabilitation would be eliminated; credits for alternative fuel use repealed; rapid amortization for low income housing repealed; ITGCs for reforestation repealed; five-year amortization for pollution control repealed. The potential side effects are far-ranging: one analysis postulates major migrations from high to low tax states; another predicts a shift from rental to owner-occupied housing, based on an anticipated decline in interest rates and a rent rise.

The plan would also inevitably change the way architects—and all Americans—do business. Although individual taxes would drop, corporate taxes would rise overall. Depreciation allowances for equipment—computers included—would be scratched. Health insurance, and all other "fringes," could be taxed. The three-martini lunch gets hit, along with the United Way.

Few political savants predict that the Treasury plan will fly; but they do point to philosophical similarities between the proposal and two Congressional bills: the Bradley-Gephardt (Democratic) and Kemp-Kasten (Republican). There is at the very least a growing consensus that the time is right for tax reform.

The Trust and the AIA Respond

Faced with the Administration's proposed zero funding for FY 1986, the Trust has restricted its request of Congress to a freeze on allocations for the Trust and State Preservation offices at FY 1985 levels.

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The Treasury plan is a more sensitive issue for the Trust. Some of the staunchest supporters of historic preservation in Congress also support the principle of tax reform. Chief among those with divided loyalties is none other than the President himself, who claims credit for the tax credits his henchmen would eliminate. The Trust, while citing his philosophical support, is also busy providing hard proof that tax incentives are necessary.

However, not all tax incentives have the Trust's unqualified support. A key position paper issued in April documents the efficacy of the 25 percent ITC for historic structures but makes no mention at all of the 15 and 20 percent credits for 30- and 40-year-old buildings. This omission is significant: the paper, by its very silence on the subject, suggests that the Trust is prepared to sacrifice credits for noncertified rehabilitation and adaptive reuse in order to save the ITC for certified preservation projects. The Trust is evidently relying on developers and architects to speak up; but no focused constituency exists to defend the credits nor is there adequate documentation of their economic impact. The AIA, accustomed to following the Trust's lead on preservation issues, has failed to separately identify the issue, and the credits are in real danger of falling through the cracks.

Paradoxically FY 1986 marks the first year the Reagan administration has not tried to eliminate or sharply reduce the Department of Energy's budget on conservation and solar programs for buildings, but proposed funding for these programs at last year's levels (which represent reductions of about 40 percent from preceding years). As a consequence, this year's battle concerns not how to save these programs but how best to use the few dollars allotted. The AIA's testimony recommended emphasis on technology transfer, stressing programs that will put new design tools and performance information into the hands of design practitioners. While vocal and quite successful on the energy front, the AIA was—surprisingly to many—mute on the now perennial question of eliminating the Centers for Building Technology and Fire Research at the National Bureau of Standards. Yet these are the only elements of the federal government exclusively concerned with buildings-related research, producing information that is vital to the building community.

The AIA also recommended a freeze in funding for Urban Development Action Grants (UDAGs) at the 1985 level of $280 million and urged maintaining Community Development Block Grants (CDBGs) at 1985 levels. The Administration's proposed moratorium on low-income housing assistance programs drew sharp criticism from the AIA, too. Finally, the AIA urged greater expenditures for emergency aid to the homeless, stressing the need to fund acquisition and rehabilitation of housing facilities.

There's little in the way of civilian bricks and mortar in the Reagan budget, and even less in the tax reform plans. Most observers believe that the hard choices forced by unprecedented federal deficits, coupled with a "funny mood in Congress," bode ill for the budgetary interests of architects in fiscal year 1986, and beyond.

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- Serrani claims remedial work will cost an additional $5 to $10 million. City consultants won't even allow a load-testing of the garage, marred by multiple hairline cracks.

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Eight projects have been awarded the 1985 Tucker Awards by the Building Stone Institute. Winners in the nonresidential building category include the WCCO-TV headquarters, Minneapolis, Minn. (Hardy Holzman, Pfeiffer Associates, New York); Dallas Museum of Art (Edward Larrabee Barnes Associates, New York); San Felipe Plaza, Houston, Texas (SOM, Houston); J.B. Speed Art Museum, Louisville, Ky. (Geddes Brecher Qualls Cunningham, Princeton, N.J.). In renovation or restoration: Austin Block, Charlestown, Mass. (Ann Beha Associates, Boston, Mass.) and Fraunces Tavern Restaurant, New York (Stinchcomb & Markelson, Jersey City, N.J.; Fan, Rongved & Erickson, New York). The Thomas Jefferson Memorial, Washington, D.C., won the 25-year-plus award; special recognition for craftsmanship was given to the Seat of the Universal House of Justice, Haifa, Israel (Hossein Amanat, ARC, Design International, West Vancouver, Canada, architect).

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Database management software allows the rapid retrieval of information that has been compiled in a relatively standard form. Database products are nothing more than electronic file cabinets. A database (like a row of file cabinets) is a collection of files (like the individual file drawers) composed of a series of records (like the sheets of paper within the drawers), which contain a number of fields (like the entries on each sheet of paper). Architectural offices are littered with databases: the Rolodex on the desk, the catalogs on the shelf, the file cabinets, the drawing flat files. A database software product can help with any information in the office whose improved access, sharing, and manipulation—either through calculation or recombination—could make the office more competitive. Mark Kelen of Jung/Brannen Associates holds that databases are the “corporate memory,” outlasting the knowledge or experience of any single individual in areas where collections of specific facts are valuable. Stephen Tucker of Dean Tucker Shaw looks at it another way: that databases are a powerful, cost-effective way to transfer the knowledge of senior people in the office to junior staff. Shared access to a database of any kind can help new staff members to be more productive in their first year with the firm.

While this article focuses on microcomputer database products, offices with dedicated word-processing equipment or dedicated CADD or financial mini or mainframe computer should look to their software suppliers for database applications. (Record processing) packages for NBI word-processing systems or some of the advanced “Glossary” features of Wang equipment have excellent applications here.) Don’t overlook the possibility of linking microcomputers to the mass storage of the larger machine.

Selecting a Product
First, ask your hardware and software vendors if their present dedicated word-processing, CADD, or dedicated financial mini or mainframe computer can perform the tasks that you want. Second, consider whether you should develop your own database or buy a preprogrammed one. Preprogrammed database applications include client tracking, accounting, project management, and job cost systems. The high end database packages will allow you to build an application as complex as almost any of these. It may not be as fast or as error-free, but it will be just the way you want it.

An interesting compromise is increasingly available: Ashton Tate offers a catalog of templates for sale developed by others using their dBase II product (“Application Junction”), and Powerbase is about to release a project management template, as are two other of the vendors mentioned here.

For the products examined, price is not a major consideration. The least expensive, PFS: File and PFS: Report from Software Systems, retail for about $280 together. The most expensive, dBase III, goes for $695. The price tag of the product is trivial when you compare it with the money spent by your office specifying potential database applications, selecting a software product, educating key individuals, and “entering” the initial set of data.

Portability of data and flexibility are the most important considerations, and equally provided by the top vendors. You want portability because you may have to change database management products, and you don’t want to have to throw out all of your files when you do. One product, Data Base Manager III from Alpha Software Corporation, specifically touts its ability to use files from spreadsheet (e.g., Multiplan) and word-processing products (Wordstar). Nearly every database product can produce its files in ASCII or DIF format; whether this actually means that the files can be transported easily and effectively is another question. One vendor addresses this by offering a simple file management product, Condor Jr., as well as a relational product called Condor 3. Thus, you get started simply, and when you need more capability, your files make the journey with you.

Flexibility is an important but a less distinguishing characteristic among microcomputer database products. Look for it in the three phases of database operation: data input and editing, data retrieval and manipulation, and data reporting.

One of the few important distinctions left among products is whether one is a file manager or a relational database manager. File managers can access only one file at a time, whereas relational database managers can look in several at once (the number varies among products).

If you start to see redundancy among files or the same information entered repeatedly, a relational product is probably best. Database designers put it in these terms: file managers handle one-to-one relationships among data very well, but relational database products are necessary for one-to-many or many-to-many links.

Relational database managers vary in their ability to reveal pieces of related information in different files. The best product by far is Powerbase, whose zoom feature allows you to examine related information in different files quickly without the difficulty and delay of other products.

Capacity is an increasingly moot point. All of the products reviewed had a reasonable capacity. The only characteristic that seems telling is the number of characters per record that you can put under any one heading in a database record. This limit is important because architects usually store anywhere from one to ten pages of text. The least expensive product reviewed—PFS: File—can hold up to three or four pages of text per record. The Nutshell is without limit.

What about graphic capabilities? Some of the database products, like the better spreadsheet programs, now offer line, pie, and bar chart capability. Condor 3 offers a graphics module, as does the PFS family. Data Base Manager II from Alpha Software Corporation can link smoothly with a spreadsheet.

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1. Sold as a family: graphics capability only with PFS: graph
2. With graphics option
3. Via interface with some spreadsheet with graphics capabilities
4. Actually one step beyond, a full-featured programming language
5. Theoretically most powerful, can work with some word processing programs

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package, so presumably it can use their graphical capabilities.

You should also consider the indexing capabilities of a product. Indexing is a technique you can use with database products to speed up the sorting or searching of one or more fields by factors of five to ten. Given a search of 1000 records that can otherwise take ten to thirty minutes, this is important.

Do you need a procedural language, or the ability to develop customized menus for use in the operation of routine database operations? The more complex your application and the more you expect the people in your office who use the application to be different from the person who develops the application, the more attractive—even critical—this feature will be. Of the products reviewed here, Condor 3 has this feature. The dBase III is in a class of its own, possessing a full-featured programming language.

When considering the use of a database program, the following are important: The creation of a modification of the record with searching, sorting, and manipulation of records within files (in the case of a file manager), and across files (in the case of a relational product); and the production of reports that are selective subsets or selective recombinations of the stored information.

Different people in the office will care about different combinations of these three. It is here that there are tradeoffs between power and ease of use, and here that many more products have now reached acceptable compromises.

There are two final considerations: multi-terminal capability, and data access limitations. If your database is going to be accessible from more than one terminal or microcomputer, the software needs to be able to handle that. Products vary here. The range is from no simultaneous use, to locking simultaneous users just out of the same file, to only locking simultaneous users out of the same record, which is the more desirable. Data access limitation is important for reasons of security, privacy, and application integrity. You don't want trade secrets out, or people's privacy violated, or people who use the system to change its design. Products vary here, too.

A Comparison of Some Products

The two charts review a small group of what are probably today's best available IBM and IBM-compatible microcomputer database products for under $1000. (Some of the products reviewed have been made available for Apple's Macintosh line of microcomputers. In some ways, the Macintosh makes the use of database products particularly easy with its pull-down menus and extensive graphic capabilities. Using databases properly requires good spatial thinking, and the screen display techniques used by database software developers for the Macintosh greatly facilitate this.)

If you want endless upward flexibility, allowing you to build either an integrated financial system or a system that can have its own customized menu structure, then you have to buy a product as sophisticated as Condor 3 or, at the top, dBase III. If you want to keep a simple telephone file, either the PFS: File/Report/Graph family or Condor Jr. is sufficient. For applications such as meeting notes, where you want to be able to sort records that include a page or more of text, the PFS product and Leading Edge's Nutshell are right.

The best mid-ground product that offers relational capability and a high level of sophistication is Power-base. Power-base's documentation is among the best for any microcomputer software product. It is the kind of product that allows beginners from scratch and take them quite far. Power-base is as far as you can go without venturing into the world of Condor 3 and dBase III's command languages. This benefit is also Power-base's limitation, preventing integrated financial applications with reasonable effort.

Last, of Power-base, Condor 3 and dBase III, Power-base can handle the least next, dBase III the next, Condor 3 the most.

Conclusion

The time to wait for further improvements is past; get started, but don't try to do it all at once. Start with an application that you do now need and that you have not application your office has never done before but that database technology makes possible. As with any office productivity change, you are embarking on a cyclical process defining the performance specification for your databases, trying to get the software product and your office staff to fulfill the spec and modifying the spec for another try. Products now on the market have the flexibility to allow this cyclical application. Above all, designate someone to maintain and revise the database. That person will make the difference between a spotty set of records that no one trusts, and one that is used often and with confidence.

But starting is important, even if it is one database on one microcomputer on one desk, because the organizational barriers to databases are more complex and take longer to overcome than the technical hurdles. Organizationally, we fear the loss of resilience, infor-mation, and in some cases, the ownership that can come when information is standardized and shared. Databases, to be useful, depend upon cooperation and an office culture that values the contribution of a group, as well as the talent of a single individual.

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**Specifications: Evaluation of Technical Data**

The development of "high technology" construction materials and manufacturing processes has changed the rules for the analysis and selection of many construction products. Since material and product selection is close to the heart of architectural design, many practitioners are learning to combine a detailed evaluation process with their intuitive design sense.

For centuries, traditional materials have performed predictably within recognized broad limits. Architects and engineers could rely on the materials' consistency and relatively forgiving natures. But completely new "high tech" materials and manufacturing processes, often in the guise of "improving" the product, are so different that the old performance guidelines do not apply.

The new "high tech" products are much more precise in their performance limits and far less tolerant of adjacent materials. They also are subject to radical change in the formulation and manufacturing processes, often in the guise of "improving" the product. Some materials vary from one batch or dye lot to another. We are sold plastic flashing materials that become brittle at low temperatures and metallic coatings that depend upon the same type, rate, and direction of application for a consistent appearance. Elastomeric sealants, which are used successfully in expansion joints when shielded from ultraviolet degradation by a protective skin, fail in glazing applications. Even stone acts differently when sliced %/-inch thick and reinforced.

The evaluation of technical data obviously occurs on different levels in the design process. It takes less study to determine the type of resilient base to use on a project than to select the roofing system. The evaluation process should be organized, however, even if only on a subconscious level. For major decisions and for complex and interactive systems it should also be quantified and documented.

A little-known, three-page ANSI/ASTM standard called E678-84 describes the evaluation process from the product liability standpoint. It was prepared by ASTM Committee E-40 on Technical Aspects of Prod-
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1 Determine desired characteristics. State the particular goal in broad terms first, such as "keep the roofing membrane on the roof." Then list the desired physical attributes of the product (hardness, color, texture), necessary performance characteristics in measured parameters (weatherability, abrasion resistance, elongation, vapor transmission rate), environmental and dimensional limitations, and relation to adjacent materials. Add applicable code requirements, budget constraints, and the client's stated preferences.

2 Establish priorities. Assign a priority to each item on the list.

3 Develop hypotheses. Consider the available materials that might meet the stated requirements and make a tentative selection of the most favorable possibilities.

4 Collect data. Develop technical data for each hypothesis, gathering physical and performance characteristics, evidence of reliability, vendor qualification, testing programs and field performance history, even instructions for installation and maintenance. Try to match collected data to the statement of desired characteristics. Look for common test and reference standards for direct comparison later.

5 Validate data. Determine the relative value of the data based on the source and nature of the information—test data vs. verified field data, published literature, personal experience, hearsay. Identify the most reliable and the most unreliable sources. Reject, or at least minimize consideration of, data from questionable sources. Qualify the reliability and accuracy for each bit of information.

6 Evaluate data. Compare the qualified data for each hypothesis with the original criteria established in defining the problem. Fill in the information gaps if necessary. Eliminate the hypotheses with direct conflicts. Narrow the number of options by finding the material that most closely matches the high priority criteria. If similar options remain, determine the most favorable solution by direct comparison of the performance data for the similar materials.

Such evaluation is a cumbersome process, perhaps, but it will lead to an informed decision that is consistent with known facts. The product liability attorneys are quietly pointing the way. William T. Lohmann, AIA, FCSI

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- Schedule at a glance
- Description of the Tutorials and A/E SYSTEMS Seminar Program
- Description of the 16 Concurrent Conferences
- List of exhibitors
- Description of the special features at A/E SYSTEMS '85

A/E SYSTEMS '85—being held June 3–7, 1985 at the Anaheim Convention Center—is the sixth in a series of annual conference/trade shows on automation and reprographics in design firms. Since it was first held in Chicago in 1980, both attendance and the exhibit have increased more than fifteenfold. At least 16,000 attendees are expected at this year’s show, making it the largest gathering of design professionals in the world.

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Schedule at a Glance

**Monday, June 3** (Exhibits not open)

- 8:00 AM: Registration opens
- 8:30 AM: Concurrent
- 9:00 AM: Tutorials
- 1:30 PM: Registration closes

**Tuesday, June 4**

- 8:00 AM: Registration opens
- 8:30 AM: Concurrent
- 10:00 AM: Eight Tutorials
- 1:30 PM: Eight Tutorials
- 6:00 PM: Registration and exhibits close

**Wednesday, June 5**

- 8:00 AM: Registration opens
- 8:30 AM: Concurrent
- 9:00 AM: Tutorials
- 10:00 AM: Registration and exhibits close

**Thursday, June 6**

- 8:00 AM: Registration opens
- 8:30 AM: Concurrent
- 9:00 AM: Tutorials
- 10:00 AM: Registration and exhibits close

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Monday, June 3, 1985
9:00 AM — 12 NOON

T-1 Effective Use of Computers in Civil Engineering
Convention Center—Room 1
To make effective use of computers, civil engineers must be aware of the common characteristics and deficiencies of conventional engineering computer programs and become knowledgeable about state-of-the-art integrated software systems.

In this tutorial, you'll discover cost-effective computer uses in civil engineering design and productivity improvement, then learn how general purpose engineering information processing systems can aid your analysis, design, and decision-making processes.

Dr. Leroy Z. Emkin
Director, GTICES Systems Laboratory, Professor of Civil Engineering, Georgia Institute of Technology, Atlanta, GA

T-2 CAD Training: The Human Resources Aspect of Automation
Convention Center—Room 2
While a computer aided design (CAD) system is often a worthwhile capital investment, a professional service firm's most valuable asset is still its staff. The widely touted productivity gains of CAD are achievable only through a highly organized production process, and that requires staff training.

This tutorial addresses such issues as the selection of potential users, effective training methods, documentation, trained staff retention, advanced training, and quality control to help you usher your staff into the "CAD Age" with confidence.

Isbha S. Riggs
Systems Manager, CRESS/IEPR Division, San Francisco, CA

T-3 Introduction to Computer Graphics for the Building Industry
Convention Center—Room 3
Because architects and other construction professionals think and communicate in visual images, computer graphics is essential to the growth of computer usage in the building industry.

In this tutorial, you'll learn how computer graphics can help you make money; how to select the right system by comparing system types, prices, and capabilities; and what the payoffs and pitfalls of computer graphics are. No prior knowledge of computer is needed.

Dr. Joel N. Orr
Director, The CADD/CAM Institute, Danbury, CT

T-4 Computers for Contractors: Systems and Selection
Convention Center—Room 4
Today’s contractor is confronted by a bewildering array of computer hardware and software programs—almost too many from which to choose.

By participating in this tutorial, you'll gain practical information on what you can do, what you should do, and how much it will cost you, which will make your system selection process faster and easier. You'll leave with specific ideas on what direction to take and how to get started.

John D. Smith
Director, Construction Industry Services, Arthur Andersen & Co., Chicago, IL

T-5 Computer Graphics in Interior Design
Hilton—Pacific Ballroom A
Using Gensler and Associates/Architects as a case study, this tutorial concentrates on the selection, preparation, and implementation of a computer graphics system.

You'll discuss the reasons for bringing CADD in-house, a typical profit and loss statement for the system, the system selection process, how to prepare your office for CADD, and hidden implementation costs, focusing on the needs of both large and small offices.

Anthony Mirante
Associate, William B. Tracy, AIA
Associate, Gensler and Associates/Architects, San Francisco, CA

T-6 Effective Human Resource Management
Hilton—Pacific Ballroom B
This four-part tutorial offers practical tips on the effective management of human resources in today's business organization.

Following an introductory presentation on why organizational management is important and who it should involve, you'll discuss organizational design factors, compensation and reward systems as they relate to staffing, and "career pathing" techniques.

John T. Carlsen
Executive Vice President/General Manager, Nadel Architectural Corporation, Santa Monica, CA

T-7 Introduction to Small Computers for Architects
Hilton—Pacific Ballroom C
This tutorial will help architects understand the practical benefits you can expect to derive from small computers, such as the IBM PC, XT, and AT; the TRS-80; Apple; and HP.

You'll learn the key steps in selecting a system that's appropriate for your firm, how to shop for software, how to talk to salespeople, and how to overcome the three major problems faced by today's businesses when acquiring computer systems.

C. Page Highfill, AIA
President, Highfill-Smith Associates Inc., Architects, Engineers and Planners, Richmond, VA
T-11  Project Management for Design Firms
Hilton—California Pavilion C
As projects become increasingly complex, and clients more demanding, the success of today's design firm depends increasingly on the project manager's management skills.

This tutorial describes recent trends in design firm organization, emphasizing the project manager's role and defining his or her responsibilities. You'll benefit from suggested approaches for project managers to planning work, delegating responsibility, and dealing with clients.

Bradley M. Meade
Manager of Computer & Reprographics
Swanke Hayden Connell Architects, New York, NY

T-14  Effective Business Planning
Convention Center—Room 2
A highly focused approach to business planning for the design profession is examined in this tutorial. It shows you how to prepare a written business plan with action plans for a small firm, including subplans for finance/accounting, marketing, human resources, technical operations, and ownership/administration/organization.

The seminar also details how to introduce and improve the formal team process of strategic planning in medium and large size design firms, including business plan preparation, review and results tracking.

Herbert A. "Bud" Hoyles
President and Senior Consultant
Hoyles Associates Inc., West Vancouver, BC

T-15  Developing Standards in A/E CADD
Convention Center—Room 3
This tutorial focuses on the development of CADD standards—what they are, why they are necessary, and how to establish them—for both the A/E office and the involved disciplines. You'll discuss the value of CADD standards for the autonomous unit and for the unit as part of a larger team, then consider the need for standards within disciplines to facilitate the exchange of data.

G. Anthony DesRosier
Applications Consultant
Computer Graphics Applications (CGA), Hopkins, MN

T-16  Applying and Managing Computers in Construction
Convention Center—Room 4
This tutorial reviews for you three groups of specialized construction computer software: estimating, integrated accounting (payroll, accounts payable, job cost accounting, billing and receivables, and general ledger), and project scheduling.

You'll first review the functions and features of each group that are required typically by contractors, receiving a list of the microcomputer software packages that are most popular with contractors. In addition, you'll witness an on-the-spot demonstration of one package in each group that meets most of your requirements.

John D. Smith
Director, Construction Industry Services
Arthur Andersen & Co., Chicago, IL

T-17  Computer Graphics in Architecture: Systems and Selection
Hilton—Pacific Ballroom A
If you're having trouble choosing a CADD vendor, this tutorial can help you decide on appropriate computer graphic technology for your architectural office.

Topics to be covered include the preliminary study, determining the technical and administrative effects of CADD, detailed systems analysis, developing a cost-benefit analysis, systems evaluation and selection issues, an overview of hardware, and drafting and applications software, among others.

Eric Teicholz
President
Graphic Systems, Inc., Cambridge, MA

T-18  Computer Graphics in Engineering: Systems and Selection
Hilton—Pacific Ballroom B
Designed to help you understand the basics of computer-assisted design and drafting, this tutorial offers helpful information about the components of a drafting system, including input devices, central processing units, output devices, communications, and software.

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Timothy C. O'Connor, PE
President
O'Connor Consulting, Inc., Lathrup Village, MI

T-19  Applying Small Computers in Architecture
Hilton—Pacific Ballroom C
This sequel to T-7 answers architects' questions about the benefits of expanding a basic, small-computer installation.

You'll discover how to apply computers and software—including small CADD systems—in your practice, how to maximize...
Tutorial Schedule

You'll discover how facilities planning differs from architectural programming and interior design, the differences between long- and short-range planning, and how approaches and issues differ among industrial, administrative, and institutional settings.

C. Page Highfill, AIA
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T-20 Applying the Small Computer in Engineering
Hilton—Pacific Ballroom D
Today's small computers are touted as fantastic production and design tools for engineers, and this tutorial will help you decide whether this claim is fact or fiction.

The presentation will focus on small computer applications in both small and large engineering and A/E firms, including document production, marketing, engineering computation, business applications, graphics, and CADD. You'll learn how to select and evaluate software, as well as where to get software for specific engineering disciplines.

M. Kevin Parfitt, PE
Principal
Parfitt/Ling Consulting Engineers, State College, PA

T-21 How to Organize and Implement an Effective Marketing Program
Hilton—California Pavilion A
In this practical workshop, you'll discuss how architects and engineers can gain management and staff commitment to marketing; assess your firm's strengths and weaknesses; define appropriate goals, territory, project mix, and market direction; and develop your own research; develop an effective marketing plan; and evaluate results.

The tutorial is based on actual case histories, points out common marketing pitfalls, and focuses on the "musts" that can make your program successful.

J. Coeyne, PE
President
Coeyne Associates, St. Paul, MN

T-22 Introduction to Facilities Planning
Hilton—California Pavilion B
This tutorial describes facilities planning and its relationship to the design professions, identifying the tasks of facilities planners, the issues they face, and the skills they require. (Computer aids to planning will be discussed on Tuesday in T-30.)

You'll discover how facilities planning differs from architectural programming and interior design, the differences between long- and short-range planning, and how approaches and issues differ among industrial, administrative, and institutional settings.

H. Lee Hales
Management Consultant
Houston, TX

T-23 Scheduling and Budgeting for Project Managers
Hilton—California Pavilion C
Today's business climate is forcing design firms to "sharpen their pencils" as never before in order to get work, while simultaneously high interest rates are requiring clients to accelerate their project schedules, minimizing the time available for design.

This tutorial offers practical approaches to help project managers deal with these problems, including specific procedures to establish and monitor project schedules and budgets to maintain your firm's profitability and keep your clients happy.

David Burstein
Vice President and Southeast Regional Manager
Engineering-Science, Inc., Atlanta, GA

T-24 Implementing and Managing Reprographic Production
Hilton—California Pavilion D
Hands-on systems drafting and layered systems drafting set the stage for an orderly transition to computer aided design and drafting (CADD). This session outlines logical formats required to accomplish advanced reprographics and pin-registered overlay drafting.

Following a project management-level cost-benefit analysis, you'll review maximized use methods for producing in-house contact screen tints, setting up filing systems, and easing the hassles of checkpints. Finally, you'll learn the latest photo-reproduction techniques and how to mix pin graphics with CADD hardcopy output and post-punching.

Gary M. Gerlach, AIA
Principal
Pin Graphic Advisor, Glastonbury, CT

T-25 Time Management for Design Professionals
Convention Center—Room 1
Specifically prepared for design professionals, this tutorial shows why designers must manage time as a critical resource in their practices, and offers concrete suggestions to help avoid wasting time, setting daily goals, and controlling demands on your time.

This tutorial also offers suggestions on how to conduct more effective meetings and bursts the myths of time management. Participants will learn a 14 point system for getting more organized and increasing the amount of productive time in each working day by two hours.

Herbert A. "Bud" Hoyles
President and Senior Consultant
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T-26 Ownership Transition
Convention Center—Room 2
How is your firm dealing with "ownership transition" to maximize value and provide growth opportunities?

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Douglas A. Bevis, AIA
Chief Financial Officer
The NBBJ Group, Seattle, WA

T-27 Preparing Effective Proposals
Convention Center—Room 3
This workshop-format tutorial presents the key elements of successful proposal writing, with individual attention to your special problem areas.

You'll learn how to: allow more "think time" for proposal planning, "psyche out" what your client really wants to know, present essential information about your firm and its services in the most readable manner, and use computers to make proposal preparation easier.

Margaret B. Spaulding
Editor
A/E Marketing Journal, San Francisco, CA

T-28 Implementing and Managing an Architectural CADD System
Hilton—Pacific Ballroom A
The effective use and integration of CADD technology in a design office depends largely on how completely staffing, training, library development, technical, and administrative issues are addressed.

This tutorial shows you how to implement and manage CADD in an architectural office. Topics include how to manage CADD systems, options for implementation, and preparation for the system, among others.

Eric Teicholz
President
Graphic Systems, Inc., Cambridge, MA

T-29 Implementing and Managing an Engineering CADD System
Hilton—Pacific Ballroom B
This follow-up to T-18 focuses on what management needs to know and do to bring CADD on board—what to do now, what to do when the system arrives, and what to do later to keep it running.

You'll learn how to: define and establish short- and long-term CADD goals, deal with staffing and training, organize and schedule workloads, and bring a system in-house effectively.

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President
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T-30 Computer-Aided Facilities Planning
Hilton—Pacific Ballroom C

Computer-aided facilities planning offers new opportunities for professional designers and corporate planners alike. In addition to their more traditional uses in design, computers are now used for the on-going planning and control of space and equipment.

In this tutorial, you'll receive an overview of available systems and software plus helpful tips on how to locate and select the right tools for your firm.

H. Lee Hales
Management Consultant
Houston, TX

Tuesday, June 4, 1985
8:30 AM — 11:30 AM

T-31 Integrating CADD and Reprographics
Hilton—Pacific Ballroom D

Whether it is enhanced or hindered by computer-aided design and drafting, the output of your design process is of primary importance. This tutorial considers application management of the multi-faceted, interactive computer graphics system, used as a design and drafting tool, as a function of its hardcopy output.

By examining CAD as design output—and CADD as plotted hardcopy output—at each stage of the design process, you'll learn what CADD and non-CADD elements interface within a project. In addition, you'll discover how CADD layering logic can be implemented for drawing management and integrated with off-line users of pin graphics.

Gary M. Gerlach, AIA
Principal
Pin Graphic Advisor
Glastonbury, CT

1:30 PM — 4:30 PM

T-32 Microprocessor Integration with Networks and Mainframes
Hilton—California Pavilion A

This tutorial covers four major topics related to microprocessor integration with networks and mainframes.

In discussions led by experts, you'll learn how to use microcomputers: in local networks, as data entry stations to mainframe computers, to receive data from mainframe computers for further processing (a process known as "downloading"), and to access public databases and information services.

Chester A. Shuman
Executive Vice President

Mark W. Ellsworth
Vice President
Harper and Shuman, Inc.,
Cambridge, MA

T-33 Financial Management and Project Control for A/Es
Convention Center—Room 1

This financial management tutorial emphasizes practical matters such as hiring a financial manager, pricing techniques, project budgeting, and methods of controlling project and overhead costs.

You'll discover the importance of planning, discuss the steps in developing an effective annual business plan, and learn how to select and implement computerized accounting and project control systems.

Lowell V. Getz
Financial Consultant
Lowell V. Getz, CPA, Houston, TX

T-34 Developing Your Selling Skills
Convention Center—Room 2

This tutorial defines selling in the context of the design services firm, with emphasis on closing the sale as the culmination of your total marketing effort.

You'll identify a variety of sales roles, determine which are most effective, and discuss the best ways to get to know clients, develop tactical plans, and improve your selling skills.

Jim Ricereto
Programs Director
Daniel, Mann, Johnson & Mendenhall, San Francisco, CA

T-35 Computerized Specifications: A Primer for Design Professionals
Convention Center—Room 3

While every mature design professional knows the importance of properly written construction documents, most dread the task of writing them. Yet, lose one major lawsuit because of improperly prepared documents, and you could be out of business.

This tutorial presents techniques used by professional specifiers. You'll discover how to write specs better, faster, and more easily with computer assistance as well as how to develop your own computerized master specifications.

Hans W. Meier, FCSI
Certified Construction Specifier
Meier Associates, Studio City, CA

T-36 Architectural Computer-Integrated Design
Hilton—Pacific Ballroom A

Many architects and engineers limit their use of CADD to production-type drafting, but computer-integrated design concepts are equally valid in the planning, schematics, design development, construction documents, and construction phases of projects.

For over 15 years, the Stewart Design Group has used relational data bases, layout optimization, free-hand sketching, drafting, three-dimensional presentations, specifications, schedules and listings as an integrated matrix for use throughout the design/construction process. In this tutorial, you'll discover the lessons they have learned, their techniques for application, and the benefits they have achieved.

Clifford D. Stewart, AIA
President
Stewart Design Group, Boston, MA

T-37 Interactive Environmental Systems Analysis for Facility Managers
Hilton—Pacific Ballroom B

Interior design is a complex process which addresses an interactive spectrum of user needs and corresponding environmental services. In this tutorial, you'll become acquainted with a computer-based process which organizes the interior design process, with emphasis on how the environment created can increase the productivity and efficiency of its users.

Dr. Maree Simmons-Forbes
Associate
Friday Design Group,
Washington, DC

T-38 Integrating CADD in the A/E Office
Hilton—Pacific Ballroom C

CADD systems offer two significant benefits to firms with diverse architectural and engineering groups in-house: the coordination of each discipline's work on a single data base, and the ability to transfer information from schematics directly into documentation for design development, working drawings, and construction supervision.

Through a case-study presentation, this tutorial highlights CADD benefits and explores the information management and control challenges implicit in CADD usage.

Seymour L. Fish, AIA
Partner, Director of Production and CADD Services
Haines Lundberg Waehler,
New York, NY

T-39 Micro-CADD for Architects and Engineers
Hilton—Pacific Ballroom D

Take your credit card to the local computer store on a Saturday afternoon, and you can easily walk away with a microcomputer-based CADD system. But do you really want to? Does a micro-price mean micro-support? Are desktop systems really powerful enough to support design as well as drafting activities? What are users doing with their systems? This tutorial will help you understand what a CADD system is and how micro-CADD stacks up against manual methods and systems costing tens of thousands of dollars. It is intended for all members of the design profession with an interest in microcomputers and CADD. Whether you already have an expensive CADD system or are considering your first microcomputer, you will find this tutorial helpful in organizing and executing your micro-CADD implementation plan.

Daniel S. Raker
Editor
A/E SYSTEMS REPORT,
Cambridge, MA

T-40 Integrating Reprographics and Facilities Management
Hilton—California Pavilion A

To meet many needs, such as the unending task of maintaining up-to-date information on the status of corporate facilities, today's design professional must document more accurately new facilities as well as record efficiently all changes to existing buildings.

In this tutorial, A/E's, corporate planners, facilities managers, and interior space planners will discover how to achieve better documentation with techniques less expensive than those you may now be using.

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**Seminar Schedule**

**Wednesday, June 5, 1985**

9:00 AM — 10:00 AM

**S-101**

**Computer Applications in Urban Planning and Civil Engineering**

Convention Center—Room 1

Because of the many divergent computer-based products available to the civil engineering, design and planning professional, they are difficult to evaluate. This presentation will provide a framework enabling comparisons of the merits of various systems, encompassing: integrated vs. non-integrated; single vs. multi-user; interactive graphics vs. CAD vs. COGO; computer vs. manual overlay drafting; and networking vs. multi-user. A CADD system will be presented as an example.

**Harvey H. Liss, PE, Ph.D.**

President

VLI Systems, Inc., Irvine, CA

**S-102**

**Computerized Construction Product Information Access**

Convention Center—Room 2

Construction/design professionals can now access manufacturer's product information via computer terminals furnished to them. Networks enable you to access regional technical product information, shorten your product research time, and keep up with new product announcements. Learn how to research, select, specify, and purchase materials and products quickly!

**Charles M. Denisac, Jr., FCSI, CCS**

Vice President, Ardex Corporation, Santa Fe Springs, CA

**S-103**

**Success Starts at the Top: Principals' Roles and Relationships**

Convention Center—Room 3

Principals play an essential role in the success of any design organization. In this seminar, which stresses attendee participation, you'll review an organizational model to gain a comprehensive overview of the roles of principals and their relationships in firms of varying sizes. Topics include leadership, conflict management, and organizational personality and environment. Handouts and worksheets are provided.

**H.C. "Chip" Clitheroe, Jr.**

Principal/Consultant

The Consultant Collaborative, Santa Ana, CA

**S-104**

**Computers in the Design Studio**

Hilton—Pacific Ballroom A

CADD includes graphic and nongraphic applications which enhance design quality and client satisfaction while giving the architect more time for creative design tasks. This session covers programming, sketch systems, expert systems, CADD and miscellaneous utilities, with particular attention to 3-dimensional modeling, including user interfaces, data base schemas, descriptive systems, and functional constructs.

**David Vere Thompson**

Associate Principal, RTKL Associates, Inc., Baltimore, MD

**S-105**

**Setting Standards for CAD and Reprographic Production**

Hilton—Pacific Ballroom B

Production tools such as the T-square and parallel rule accommodate individual expression, but production systems such as CAD and reprographics require uniform professional standards. This seminar addresses justification, applications, and techniques to help you develop and implement a uniform professional standard for design production.

**Richard C. Hein, AIA/CSI**

Principal, Anshen & Allen, San Francisco, CA

**S-106**

**CAD Panel Discussion—Where Are We?**

Hilton—Pacific Ballroom C

CADD systems are today accepted in many A/E design offices as indispensable tools. They have improved productivity and design quality, eliminated some common and costly errors, and in some cases proved to be valuable sales tools. But, CADD has brought a new set of problems to the design office that is influencing both designers and the firms they work for. The steps underway in the CADD industry to overcome these problems in the next generation of systems is the subject of this discussion.

**Panel Chairman:**

Charles M. Foundyller

President

Daratech, Inc., Cambridge, MA

**Panelists:**

- **Stephen T. Ball**
  President
  Cascade Graphic Development, Santa Ana, CA

- **Charles M. Eastman**
  President
  Formative Technologies, Inc., Pittsburgh, PA

- **David R. Skok**
  President
  Skok System Inc., Cambridge, MA

- **Robert P. Tiel**
  Director, Engineering Marketing—CAD/CAM
  IBM Corporation, White Plains, NY

- **Walter Von Seggern**
  President
  Sigma Design Inc., Englewood, CO

- **John Walker**
  President
  Autodesk, Inc., Sausalito, CA

**S-107**

**How to Make Your Systems Work in Spite of Themselves**

Hilton—Pacific Ballroom D

Microcomputers, CADD, and all the other new tools and techniques often fail to meet our expectations. Instead, they seem to be the cause of delays, unexpected expenses, staff resentment, and management embarrassment. Avoid the pitfalls by discovering the problems peculiar to each system, common training mistakes, and a proven systems approach to choosing and using new systems.

**Fred A. Stitt**

Architect/Editor Guidelines, Orinda, CA
S-108
The Current Status of CADD in Japan
Hilton—California Pavilion A
In these few years, CAD systems including foreign-made drafting systems have gradually spread among Japanese design firms and construction companies. But many problems concerning the efficient use of these drafting systems have still remained. To solve these problems, some big construction companies have developed their own CAE systems. This presentation gives an overview of a TADD (Totalized Architectural Design and Drafting) system developed by Ohbayashi Corporation showing the capabilities of such a system.

S. Matsuoka
Director, System Development and Computing Center
Ohbayashi Corporation, Tokyo, Japan

S-109
What to Look for in Computerized Accounting
Hilton—Huntington Room
The speaker shows you how to decide when to change your accounting system, then outlines the essential applications in a computerized system. You’ll become familiar with the five basic modules in most software packages for accounting systems—accounts receivable, accounts payable, general ledger, payroll, and job costing—and learn the capabilities and limitations of each.

Michael T. Sheppard
Senior Consultant and Associate
The Fails Management Institute, Raleigh, NC

S-110
Mid-size and Large Firm
CEO Roundtable
Hilton—Laguna Room
How do other mid-size and large design firms solve the day-to-day problems facing senior management? In this informal roundtable, attendees will have the opportunity to trade success (and failure) stories with fellow top managers in A/E-P offices.

Wednesday, June 5, 1985
12:00 NOON — 1:00 PM

S-201
Automated Mapping and Facilities Management:
The Owner's Perspective
Convention Center—Room 1
In this seminar, you’ll explore automated mapping and facilities management from the perspective of the property/facility owner, who seeks a corporate-wide database of facility information to support an efficient, economic operation. The discussion includes an overview of AM/FM applications, suggestions on organizing a successful AM/FM project, and examples of ongoing projects.

Larry J. Engelin
Executive Vice President
EGT Incorporated, Houston, TX

S-202
Integrated Design/Construction
Database Management
Convention Center—Room 2
As the construction industry makes greater use of automation to assist the construction process, data can be passed from one specialty to another—design to construction to building operation—without traditional loss. In this seminar, you will become acquainted with the process by which data is used interactively with graphics and is managed on a total project basis.

Dr. Maree Simmons-Forbes
Associate
Friday Design Group, Washington, DC

S-203
Project Management Response
to CADD
Convention Center—Room 3
Firms using CADD systems require effective project management to make money. This session helps A/E firms using or acquiring CADD to sharpen their project management in tracking the progress of decisions as well as documents, keeping project teams flexibly organized, and managing clients with more sophistication.

Tom Haskins
President
The Haskins Organization, Pittsburgh, PA

S-204
Organizing and Managing the Design Office in an Automated Environment
Hilton—Pacific Ballroom A
The success of a new computer system depends as much on its users and their preparation as on the quality of the hardware and software. This seminar outlines how to organize your office before delivery of a new system, how to manage its use after delivery, and how to budget and justify expenditures for organizational activities.

Ched Reeder
Principal
The Computer-Aided Design Group®, Santa Monica, CA

Comedian
David Brenner
To Headline Host Dinner

Date/Time:
Thursday, June 6 at 6:45 PM
Location:
Ballroom at Anaheim Hilton

David Brenner, world-famous comedian and popular guest host of NBC’s “The Tonight Show,” will headline the A/E SYSTEMS ’85 Host Dinner on Thursday, June 6, at the Anaheim Hilton. Beginning at 6:45 p.m. with a cash-bar cocktail party, the gala evening will feature a leisurely sit-down dinner, an exciting exhibition of state-of-the-art, computer generated animation and modeling by computer graphics expert Chuck Cusari, and the captivating comedy of David Brenner.

Named “Las Vegas Comedy Star of the Year” and Atlantic City Magazine’s “Best Comedian Headliner,” among many other honors, Brenner is a freewheeling, multifaceted talent whose career has included stints as a writer, producer, director, and recording artist, as well as an entertainer. Wry, fast-paced, and eminently entertaining, Brenner’s unique brand of humor often features vignettes from his youth as a South Philadelphia gang leader, where he learned how to get out of tight spots by getting laughs. Academically able as well as street smart, Brenner graduated with honors from Temple University before embarking on a varied and successful career in entertainment.

Computer-Generated Imagery

Professor Cusari will present recent advances in the field of computer graphics as related to imagery and animation. His firm, Cranston/Cusari Productions, produces award winning graphic displays for many local and national news and feature shows, including the NBC Today Show, ABC and P.M. Magazine.

Computer-generated imagery and animation will be presented to illustrate advanced techniques for texture mapping, refraction, and complex motion control. These techniques represent some recent advances in the field of computer graphics. Applications have been made to Architecture, Industrial Design, Science, Education and Art and Entertainment.

Tickets are $44 in advance by calling 203-666-6097. Space permitting, tickets will also be on sale at the door Thursday evening at a cost of $49.
S-205
Systems for the Small Office
Hilton—Pacific Ballroom B
The creative use of systems drafting can enable small firms to be more competitive as well as more productive. This seminar focuses on production techniques that you can apply effectively to projects ranging from residential development and motel chain development to single-family residential renovations and new construction.

Ann M. Dunning
President
Ann M. Dunning, AIA, Inc.,
Chagrin Falls, OH

S-206
CAD: Where Are We Going?
Hilton—Pacific Ballroom C
Are we going to nirvana in an electronic handbasket? The year 1985 is to bestow: Experiences and new construction. The creative use of systems fees, monitor project

President

S-207
Computer-Aided Management Modelling for A/E's
Hilton—Pacific Ballroom D
This session examines computer modeling techniques used by a mid-size architectural firm to structure fees, monitor project progress, chart short-term manpower utilization, develop long-range workload planning and personnel requirements, and develop cash flow projections. Fast, reliable, simple methods for getting a grip on key information are illustrated as a basis for tactical decision-making and strategic management/marketing planning.

Paul J. Henderson
President
Henderson Gants Architects,
St. Louis, MO

S-208
Computer-Generated Animation for Architecture and Urban Design
Hilton—California Pavilion A
Japanese computer experts have developed computer-generated three-dimensional animation systems for architecture and urban design. In this seminar, you will see the work of Japanese designers who have created ten animated videos of cities and architecture during the last two years. A discussion of hardware and software, along with the aims and effects of animation, is also included.

Tsuyoshi Sasada
Associate Professor
Osaka University, Osaka, Japan

S-209
Computers in the Contractors Office
Hilton—Huntington Room
Contractors are developing innovative uses for computer technology every day. In this seminar, you'll learn what other contractors (perhaps your competitors) are doing with computers, as well as why and how they are being used. You'll also discover how to determine if your company can benefit from a computer system, important factors to look for before you make a purchase, and an overview of computer software.

John M. Geffel
Timberline Systems, Portland, OR

S-210
Architectural CADD Managers Roundtable
Hilton—Laguna Room
Directed to managers of computer graphics departments in architectural and interior design offices, this forum allows the exchange of tips, experiences, issues and problems with fellow CADD managers.

Wednesday, June 5, 1985
3:00 PM — 4:00 PM

S-305
Buying, Customizing, and Writing A/E Micro Software
Hilton—Pacific Ballroom B
The best computer system in the world can fail miserably if its software doesn't satisfy user needs. This seminar offers helpful hints on how to acquire software that meets the needs of your A/E office by getting the most out of readily available products.

James J. Jordan, Sr.
President
J. J. Jordan, Sr., Architect-Engineer,
Sacramento, CA

S-306
PC Applications in the CADD Environment
Hilton—Pacific Ballroom C
Recent and on-going developments in personal computer hardware and software have vastly expanded PC office applications. This seminar shows you how to use the PC as a management tool in the CADD production environment, as an alternative to stand-alone CADD systems, and as an adjunct to CADD in the fully integrated A/E office of the future.

Joseph S. Brown
Managing Partner
Everett J. Brown Company,
Indianapolis, IN

S-307
Expert Systems: Consultants of the Future?
Hilton—Pacific Ballroom D
"Expert Systems" are computer programs containing specialized technical knowledge about narrow classes of problems, plus procedures for applying this knowledge to individual cases. In this seminar, you'll review general expert system concepts, then discover how this new technology might serve as "consultants" in facility design, construction, and management, helping designers solve complex problems that normally require specialized expertise.

Fred Stahl
Product Administrator, CADD/CAM Plans and Requirements
IBM Corporation,
Poughkeepsie, NY

Dr. Joel N. Orr
Director, The CAD/CAM Institute, Danbury, CT

S-308
Architectural Design Software
Hilton—California Pavilion A
This seminar focuses on basic architectural design principles you can use as guidelines for CAD decision-making in the rapidly changing computer
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hardware environment. These
guidelines are discussed in the
context of commercially avail-
able CAD systems, emerging
microcomputer graphics, plus
other software that is useful in
the design process but totally
independent of commercially
available CAD systems.

Donald R. Fullenwider, AIA
President
Fullenwider Consulting Group,
Santa Monica, CA

S-309
Job Costing Systems
Hilton—Huntington Room
In this seminar, you'll learn what
your job costing system should
do for you—the value of a good
system from an historical view-
point, the elements of an inte-
grated system, and the reports it
should produce to help you man-
age your firm. Also, you'll dis-
cover how to evaluate your sys-
tem and alternatives, how to
gain staff support for system
modifications, and which key
 elements are in effective system
implementation.

Michael T. Sheppard
Senior Consultant and Associate
The Feathers Management Institute,
Raleigh, NC

S-310
Marketing Directors Roundtable
Hilton—Laguna Room
Marketing directors and staff
have an opportunity to exchange
ideas with their peers in other
A-E-F offices.

Thursday, June 6, 1985
9:00 AM — 10:00 AM

S-401
Working with a Graphics
Service Bureau
Convention Center—Room 1
This session offers timely tips on
effective planning for the suc-
cessful implementation of
CADD. Discussion topics include
preplanning, knowing the pro-
cess, project management and
scheduling, selecting a workable
project, choosing a graphics serv-
cice bureau, plus post-project
evaluation and feedback.

Joseph C. Orloff, AIA
President
Interactive Architects,
Newport Beach, CA

S-402
Engineering Applications
and Management of Microcomputers
Convention Center—Room 402
Through a case study of the 4-
year evolution of microcomputer
usage in a 25-person, multi-disci-
pline A-E-F firm, this seminar ad-
dresses management decisions
related to acquiring systems and
describes present and future mi-
crocomputer applications. Topics
include personnel, cost/benefit
decisions, and microcomputer
uses, for civil, structural, process
engineering and others.

A. Ross Cash, P.E.
President
Blake Eckerle, P.E.
Civil Engineer
Cash & Associates Engineers,
Long Beach, CA

S-403
Lead Finding For Marketers
Convention Center—Room 3
There are lots of people who are
ready and willing to help you
find business leads, and this
seminar helps you discover who
they are and where to reach
them. You'll learn the secrets of
networking—what information
to give out and what to keep
secret, national canvassing tech-
niques, and effective telephone
usage, among other helpful in-
formation.

William A. Feathers
President
Feathers Consulting Services,
Santa Monica, CA

S-404
A Performance Specification
for CADD Design and Evaluation
Hilton—Pacific Ballroom A
Over the past six months, AIA
has initiated an expanded pro-
gram to provide CADD educa-
tional materials. For those
interested in reviewing the pro-
ducts resulting from this project,
or who are interested in joining
the AIA's Committees in Archi-
tecture Committee, this meeting
provides the opportunity to talk
with current members and make
your views known. Plans for
opening committee membership
and the development of new
products through 1986 will be
discussed.

The Computers in Architecture
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William Dikis, AIA
Robert Krawczyk
J. Blake Mason, AIA
Michael Schley, AIA
American Institute of Architects,
Washington, DC

S-405
Integrating PCs into Repro-
graphic and Management
Applications
Hilton—Pacific Ballroom B
In this seminar, you'll learn how
small offices can systematically
apply the microcomputer to con-
tract documents, project man-
age, and office management;
why standard word
processing, spreadsheet, and
data base programs make up the
basic software package for small
architectural offices; and how
the microcomputer integrates
naturally with reprographics
and CADD.

Frank Mascia
Owner
Collaborative Design Group,
Tucson, AZ

S-406
The Executive’s Role in Office
Automation
Hilton—Pacific Ballroom C
This seminar examines a multi-
office architectural firm's ex-
périences with selecting and im-
plementing a CADD system,
including multiple office inte-
gration, cost recovery, personnel
motivation, and integration with
other computer systems. Both
solved and unsolved problems are
presented.

James O. Jonassen
Partner/CEO
NBBJ Group, Seattle, WA

S-407
Micro CADD Panel Discussion
Hilton—Pacific Ballroom D
Representative of the leading
vendors of micro-based CADD
systems discuss the pros and
cons of installing such systems in
A-E-F firms. Topics to be covered
include what users are actually
doing with micro-CADD, limita-
tions of micro-CADD in com-
parison to larger systems, and
integration possibilities of micro-
CADD with other microcom-
puter software and larger CADD
or mainframes. The panel dis-
cusses coming developments in
micro-CADD and invites ques-
tions from the audience.

Panel Chairman:
Daniel S. Raker
Editor
A/E SYSTEMS REPORT,
Cambridge, MA
Panelists:
Tom Lazear
President
T & W Systems, Inc.,
Huntington Beach, CA
Richard Nedbal
President
Personal CAD Systems,
Los Gatos, CA

Kevin O'Gone
Systems Integration Manager
Autodesk, Inc., Mill Valley, CA

S-408
Computer Applications and
Developments in Australia and
New Zealand—Part I
Hilton—California Pavilion A
Largely due to the work of The
Association for Computer Aided
Design Limited (ACADS), a non-
profit association of technical
computer user organizations,
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tralia. While most of the
CADD hardware and software is
of American origin, an increas-
ing amount is being developed
locally, particularly applications
software. Two Australian CADD
software products—Palette and
Easinet—are already being mar-
keted in the U.S. This presenta-
tion covers the areas of applica-
tion in the Australasian region
highlighting CADD develop-
ments of special interest, and
offers an overview of ACADS
which currently has 600 member
organizations.

Speaker To Be Announced
Association for Computer Aided
Design Limited, Melbourne, Australia

S-409
The Future of Computers in
Construction
Hilton—Huntington Room
Five years ago, a good strategic
plan would not have included
the personal computer. It was
simply not available to the busi-
ness user at the time. Gordon
Graves knows from his 23 years
at IBM first-hand the difficulties
inherent in the rapid explosion
of microtechnology. This semin-
lar will report on the key points
of developing an implementa-
tion strategy for your firm, and
getting the most from your in-
vestment in personal computers.

Gordon A. Graves
President, Concord Management
Systems, Tampa, FL

S-410
Automated Project Management
in Power and Process
Engineering
Hilton—Laguna Room
The technique of project man-
geemen involves the planning
and scheduling of work tasks in
an organized fashion to reduce
costs and maintain project
schedules. This technique, al-
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plant outages. In addition, automated systems are available which can store information about plant equipment, spare parts, inventory status, and routine preventive or predictive maintenance work orders. Detailed capabilities of these type systems will be presented during this session.

Jack Figel  
Product Manager, Artemis  
Maintenance Control System  
Metier Management Systems, Inc.  
Houston, TX

Thursday, June 6, 1985
12:00 NOON — 1:00 PM

S-501  
Marketing Communications in the Professional Design Firm  
Convention Center—Room 1  
This seminar offers an overview of what a small or large A/E firm's marketing communications program should include, despite popular misconceptions, and how to plan and execute an effective program. The presentation offers examples of successful and unsuccessful programs, outlines the role of senior management, and provides realistic recommendations as opposed to theoretical solutions.

N. Richard Lewis  
President  
Lewis & Associates, Los Angeles, CA

S-502  
Improving Relations with Your Outside Repro Services Firm  
Convention Center—Room 2  
This seminar explores how to establish good relations with your repro shop, how to select a good firm, what to look for in an outside organization, when to investigate the possibility of an in-house repro facility, and the future role of the repro services firm.

Paul Koez  
President  
Blue Print Service Company, San Francisco, CA

S-503  
Managers of the Future: What They Need To Know and How To Develop Them  
Convention Center—Room 3  
Most leaders of design firms have acquired their management skills through costly trial and error—and an occasional seminar. Will this approach be sufficient for the future or will design firms adopt a new philosophy and approaches to management and the grooming of future managers? This workshop presents the case for change and outlines practical steps design firms can take today to prepare managers for the coming decade's challenges.

John M. Simonds  
President, Martin-Simonds Associates, Inc., Seattle, WA

S-504  
Getting High Productivity from CADD in the First Year  
Hilton—Pacific Ballroom A  
Some of the most important factors in CADD purchasing and implementation decisions tend to be downplayed or overlooked. This presentation reports on the factors affecting a reasonably productive computer assisted drafting (CADD) system, as well as the limiting factors to CADD productivity. It also includes a discussion of the larger productivity potential of computer-assisted design and drafting (CADD) systems.

Rolland E. Rien  
Principal/Manager, Computer Operations  
Dalton Dalton Newport, Cleveland, OH

S-505  
Micros in the Small A/E Office  
Hilton—Pacific Ballroom B  
This seminar will focus on the application of personal computers in the small office, including how a computer training plan was implemented, the tax issues involved, and the benefits derived. Other aspects to be covered include employee computer use at home; estimating manpower requirements through the use of electronic spreadsheets; applications in HVAC, structural calculations, budgeting; and general office administration.

Harold E. Costley  
Vice President, Design Services  
Torrence, Dreelin, Farthing & Buford, Inc., Richmond, VA

S-506  
How to Survive in the Design Business  
Hilton—Pacific Ballroom C  
This seminar focuses on the changing forces affecting the design profession and their potential results, with special attention paid to the impact of automation and the design profession's new roles and responsibilities. Mr. Wolfberg uses his firm's case history to illustrate developing trends and the corresponding needs for change if design firms are to survive.

David A. Wolfberg  
Architect  
Wolfberg/Alvarez & Associates, South Miami, FL

S-507  
IGES Standards for Computer-Aided Design  
Convention Center—Room 2  
This panel discussion offers a comprehensive overview of the Initial Graphic Exchange Specification (IGES) standard for data exchange from both the user's and the vendor's standpoints. A three-member panel of experts covers the need for standards to establish common terminology in human and machine data exchanges, the history and function of the IGES organization, and the steps being taken by the IGES/AEC subcommittee to insure that IGES is a viable standard for architecture, engineering, and construction.

Moderator: G. Anthony DesRosiers  
Applications Consultant  
Computer Graphics Applications (CGA), Hopkins, MN

Panelists:  
Jon H. Pittman  
Associate, Co-Chairman IGES/AEC Subcommittee  
HOK Computer Service Corporation, St. Louis, MO

Fred I. Stahl  
Product Administrator, CAD/CAM Plans and Requirements  
IBM Corporation, Poughkeepsie, NY

S-508  
Computer Applications and Developments in Australia and New Zealand—Part 2  
Hilton—California Pavilion A  
See description for S-408

Speaker To Be Announced  
Association for Computer Aided Design Limited, Melbourne, Australia

S-509  
Computerized Marketing for Contractors  
Hilton—Huntington Room  
Design and construction firms of all sizes need to increase marketing productivity. A computer with appropriate software can help you keep track of vital marketing and sales information. It can bring you the information you need at the time you need it most. The focus of this presentation is on using computers to obtain, analyze and act on the right information at the right time—a key to marketing success.

William S. Linton  
Vice President  
Tecton Media, Inc., New York, NY

S-510  
Microcomputers in Process Plant Design  
Hilton—Laguna Room  
Because the process plant design/construction industry is one of the worst periodic slumps in its history, it is essential that design companies be "lean and mean" when the next build cycle begins. This seminar helps you use proven productivity tools effectively by examining real requirements, matching them to available software, and selecting appropriate hardware. Case histories of builders now using micro successfully, plus a list of currently available software, are featured.

Tom Lazear  
President  
T&W Systems, Inc., Huntington Beach, CA

Thursday, June 6, 1985
3:00 PM — 4:00 PM

S-601  
Ink Drafting for Manual and Automated Production  
Convention Center—Room 1  
Participants in this seminar will become acquainted with The Rapidraw System, a method of direct ink drafting on polyester film, which produces clean, superior original drawings capable of meeting the stringent requirements of today's reprographic processes, overlay drafting applications, and computer plotting. The session will familiarize attendees with the various media and techniques, and help them choose the proper materials for the job at hand.

Dick Mattes  
Manager, Plotter Supplies Division  
Koh-I-Noor Rapidograph, Inc., Bloomsbury, NJ

S-602  
Effective Word Processing  
Convention Center—Room 2  
Far too often, the word processor is considered nothing more than a "smart typewriter." This seminar shows you how to develop workable masters and set up a system for easy information retrieval while avoiding pitfalls, giving you a thorough understanding of the capabilities and limitations of your systems.

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S-603 Systems Drafting in the Engineering Office
Convention Center—Room 3
Systems drafting in the small- to medium-size engineering office is necessary not only to the implementation of CAD, but also to the provision of engineering services at reasonable cost. While the wide variety of new and improved reproduction equipment and materials offers necessary flexibility in presentation, this seminar shows you why the evaluation of alternatives is a must in the preparation of contract drawings and why a planned approach to each project is required.

Wesley H. Sparks, P.E.
President
SPARVAN, Inc., Long Beach, CA

S-604 Computer-Generated Specifications and Graphic Output
Hilton—Pacific Ballroom A
Computer evolution is triggering a revolution in specification writing, which may soon make separate drawings and specifications as obsolete as producing specs on a typewriter. This seminar demonstrates computer-assisted specification production methods on the horizon that automatically manipulate master specifications, use CADD to generate specifications, and merge graphics and text on a single page.

Mark J. Kalin
Director of Information Services
Jung/Brennen Associates, Inc., Boston, MA

S-605 Programming as a Marketing Tool: A Case Study
Hilton—Pacific Ballroom B
Facilities programming in project proposals can be a powerful tool for developers, contractors, and design professionals. Through a case study, this seminar demonstrates how to use a facilities programming proposal to give owners and managers a clear understanding of your scope of work and how the proposal can be used as a contract document.

Joan Young
Design Methods Manager
Design Logic Inc., Oakland, CA

James H. Davis
Marketing Director
Stolle Inc., Oakland, CA

S-606 Multi-Office Systems Integration
Hilton—Pacific Ballroom C
As architects and engineers step up their use of CADD, the ability to integrate applications, data, and hardware between offices and firms is increasingly critical. This session discusses intra- and inter-office computer communications technologies, emphasizing the need for data exchange standards and office practices which will help achieve integration.

Jon H. Pittman
Associate
HOK Computer Service Corporation, St. Louis, MO

S-607 2001: A Designer's Odyssey
Hilton—Pacific Ballroom D
This seminar traces the history of computer use in construction design and discusses the impact of today's applications on the design profession. You'll learn how shifting influences and changing computer technology will mold a new construction industry within the next 15 years, impacting architects, engineers, contractors, and a host of others.

Harry Mileaf
Director, Technology and Product Development
McGraw-Hill, Sweet's, New York, NY

S-608 In Search of Microcomputer Software
Hilton—California Pavilion A
The present deluge of new microcomputer software, which varies greatly in quality, capability, and price, poses problems to the uneducated buyer. This seminar offers timely tips on how to establish reasonable expectations for an inexpensive microcomputer and its software, what to look for in different software arenas, and how to shorten your search process and make intelligent purchasing decisions.

Byron Wilkes
President
A/E Software Consultants Inc., Seattle, WA

S-609 Computerized Project Management for the Engineering/Construction Industry
Hilton—Huntington Room
New demands from government agencies, financial institutions, public service commissions, and clients require the engineering/ construction industry to deliver a tightly controlled product that is technically sound, on schedule, and within budget. Since ideally, project controls should originate with the E/C professional, this seminar reviews computerized project management control systems that could become indigenous to the industry, covering today's requirements and tomorrow's trends.

Ted Williams
Manager, Information Services
Project Software & Development, Inc., Cambridge, MA

S-610 Geometric Models and Databases in Process and Power Engineering
Hilton—Laguna Room
A 3-dimensional computerized design modeling system is the most effective design tool for complex projects. This seminar shows how the computerized system, which includes 3-dimensional modeling, process modeling, and an engineering database, is best initiated at project inception, creating a single, project-long source of information for all designers and constructors.

Amadeus M. Burger
President, Construction Systems Associates, Inc., Marietta, GA

Friday, June 7, 1985
9:00 AM — 10:00 AM

S-701 3D Modeling in Design
Convention Center—Room 1
In this session, you will review the conceptual bases of CAD systems commonly used in the building industry, then clarify relationships between 2D drawings and 3D models. Symbolic and geometric requirements of the building industry are discussed, and a conceptual approach is presented which combines symbolic and geometric data within a single building model. Discover the advantages and disadvantages of each approach!

Gregory Bloom
Vice President
MEGA CADD, Inc., Seattle, WA

Paul A. Lewis
Director of Product Development
GMW Computers, Inc., Seattle, WA

S-702 Using Photodrawings on A/E Projects
Convention Center—Room 2
This seminar discusses the procedures the A/E can use to produce quality photodrawings using popular 35 mm cameras with recommended films, proper accessories and minimal investment. Participants will review the applications and cost benefits of the procedure while learning the shortcuts to quality, economy and speed for in-house and reprographic services contact frame and photo-projection photodrafting. Output media, drafting and apply procedures will also be considered along with the interface of photos with CADD.

Robert J. Neely
President
Neely Reprographics, Jackson, MS

S-703 Xerography in Reprographics
Convention Center—Room 3
This session covers some of the latest trends in Xerographic technology and focuses on how design firms can reduce costs by using commercial reprographics services. Applications include creating standard detail libraries, generating multiple workable copies of basic floor plans, making major revisions, and modifying standard house plans to individual buyer specifications.

Chuck Heller
Product Manager
Océ-Industries Inc., Chicago, IL

S-704 Personal Computer Applications for Professional Surveyors
Hilton—Pacific Ballroom A
The personal computer is becoming a standard tool in many professional surveying offices. This session focuses on how micros are being applied in field data collection, traverse-coordinate geometry, and finished drawings.

Tom Donahue
President/Editor
FORESIGHT, Apple Valley, MN

S-705 Generating New Business with CADD
Hilton—Pacific Ballroom B
Now that “differentiation,” “efficiency,” and “state-of-the-art” have become buzz words that clients look for when selecting design service professionals, architects and engineers can gain new benefits from their CADD systems in the areas of marketing and extended services. This seminar shows you how to use printed materials, slides, and video techniques to promote CADD as a unique professional service.

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S-708 Financial Management for Professional Design Firms
Hilton—California Pavilion A

Financial success in design firms is based on the understanding, planning, monitoring, and control of financial activities. Learn the key elements of budgeting, reporting, and analyzing financial data for profit, plus cash and balance sheet management techniques. The graphic presentation of financial data, generated by microcomputer, is emphasized to help design firm managers understand trends and the current position of your firms.

Robert F. Mattos, FAIA
Vice President
EDAW, Inc., San Francisco, CA

S-709 Engineering CADD Manager Roundtable
Hilton—Huntington Room

Directed to managers of computer graphics departments in engineering and planning offices, this forum will allow the exchange of tips, experiences, issues and problems with fellow CADD managers.

S-710 Small Firm CEO Roundtable (Less than 20 Staff)
Hilton—Laguna Room

How do small firms solve the day-to-day problems facing senior management? In this roundtable, attendees will have the opportunity to trade success (and failure) stories with fellow top management in A-E-P offices.

Friday, June 7, 1985
12:00 NOON—1:00 PM

S-801 The Liability Implications of Automation: Pluses and Minuses
Convention Center—Room 1

A host of liability considerations, both positive and negative, accompany automation of the professional practice. The use of CADD may significantly increase quality and decrease errors, but it may also introduce unmanageable professional liability problems. This seminar helps you maximize the liability benefits of automation while avoiding new exposures to professional liability losses.

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Douglas Mahone, AIA
Partner
Teamwork Systems,
San Francisco, CA

S-803
The Aperture Card: Improving CAD/CAE Communication
Convention Center—Room 3
While many firms are increasing their productivity through CAD, creating designs faster and more accurately than ever before, little is being done to update distribution methods for CAD-generated data. This seminar shows how you can use the aperture card, an up-to-date method of communicating design data.

Jim Buchanan
Market Coordinator
3M Engineering Systems
St. Paul, MN

S-804
Evaluating Surveying & Drafting Software for Microcomputer Systems
Hilton—Pacific Ballroom A
This session focuses on microcomputer software for field data collection, surveying and finished drawings. The location, evaluation and selection of appropriate systems will also be discussed. An examination of evaluation criteria and the specific results of benchmark testing conducted by FORESIGHT newsletter, which included comparative analysis of the most popular packages under real world conditions, is also discussed.

Tom Donahue
President/Editor
FORESIGHT, Apple Valley, MN

S-805
Developing an Effective Project Summary Report—Where's The Beef?
Hilton—Pacific Ballroom B
Project summary reports advise management of a project's financial performance based on predetermined criteria. They are intended to alert management if follow-up action is needed. It is easy, however, to compile information that misleads or confuses, rather than providing a basis for appropriate action. This session examines business practices which determine the levels of useful summarizing and the effective use of exception reporting. Participants will receive tools for evaluating summary reports and to develop the necessary criteria to obtain reliable summary reports in A/E firms.

Richard D. Pipkin
Principal
Management Design,
San Francisco, CA

S-806
Management Policies and Facility Design
Hilton—Pacific Ballroom C
By considering a facility design as an expression of corporate policies from a project's beginning, you can minimize expensive and frustrating design errors. This seminar shows you how to seek out, define, and incorporate management policies into the design process using systematic interview and computer database techniques.

Joe Akinori Ouye, Ph.D.
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S-807
Computerized Human Resource Management
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S-809
Personal Computer Users Roundtable
Hilton—Huntington Room
There are plenty of other applications for your PC—and plenty of people who want to know of your innovative uses. Share tips for success and learn how to avoid the pitfalls in this roundtable which allows PC users in A-E-P offices to question peers and provide answers.

S-810
Financial Managers Roundtable
Hilton—Laguna Room
Directed to financial managers and officers in A-E-P firms, this roundtable offers a forum for solutions to common day-to-day problems and issues.

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This year at A/E SYSTEMS '85 there are 16 Concurrent Conferences on various topics sponsored by professional societies and trade publications. All are held in the Hilton or Marriott Hotel which are adjacent to the Convention Center. Thus, attendees can walk next door to view the extensive product/services exhibits.

Though these conferences are not connected officially with A/E SYSTEMS '85, show management is cooperating fully with the sponsors to insure a quality learning experience for all attendees.

Free Exhibit Passes

Registrants at any of these 16 Concurrent Conferences will automatically receive complimentary passes to view the 950 booths at A/E SYSTEMS '85. Exhibit hours are:

- **Tuesday, June 4**: 10:00 AM to 6:00 PM
- **Wednesday, June 5**: 10:00 AM to 6:00 PM
- **Thursday, June 6**: 10:00 AM to 6:00 PM
- **Friday, June 7**: 10:00 AM to 4:00 PM

Be sure to allow enough time at the show to view all the exhibits of interest to you. See page 44-45 for a listing of the exhibitors at A/E SYSTEMS '85.

The Design Process: Case Studies Of Tomorrow

Sponsored by Fred Stitt, Editor/Publisher

Guidelines

The GL Foundation
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Session C-1
Marriott—North Hall
Monday — Tuesday, June 3 — 4, 1985

The Design Process conference will bring you up to date on the most advanced concepts, tools, methodologies, and opportunities available to the design professional today.

The program will explore the newest emerging design problems, design media, and far-reaching methods of design problem solving. And there will be a wide-ranging survey of the brand new design and consulting services you can provide by using the latest technology.

Day One
Monday, June 3, 1985

8:00 AM Registration
11:10 AM Designing Low-Cost Commercial Spaceships
Gary C. Hudson
Engineer, spaceship designer and space development entrepreneur
Pacific American Launch Systems, Redwood City, CA

12:00 Noon Luncheon Program: Artificial Intelligence, CADD and the Next Generation Design Studio
Fred Stitt
Architect and editor/publisher GUIDELINES, Orinda, CA

1:30 PM The Technological Synthesis of the Arts—Laser, Video, Computer and Music
Ron Pellegrino, Ph.D.
Electronic artist
Electronic Arts Productions, Petaluma, CA

2:30 PM Visionary Design and Presentation
Glen Small
Architect, educator and futurist
Southern California Institute of Architecture

8:30 AM Sensitized Environments, Intelligent Buildings and the B-IQ
Roy Mason
President and architect
Architron Associates, Washington, DC

9:30 AM Advanced Creative Expression in Computer Art
Special video and graphics presentation

10:20 AM Break

10:40 AM Computers and Video in Architectural Design and Design Simulation
Ernest Burden
Architect, visual communications consultant and editor
The Presentation Advisor, New York, NY

11:30 AM Lunch Program: Designing Simulated Realities
Blending light, form, movement and illusion in new building designs. Special guest luncheon speaker to be announced.

1:00 PM Designing “Real Time” Interactive Video/Computer Performances
Ed Tannenbaum
Electronic Performance Designer
“Raster Rorsch,” Inc.—Interactive Video Systems Design, Crockett, CA

2:00 PM Panel: Designing The Ideal Design School
Conference participants speak their minds on how to use advanced technology in training designers and architects.

3:00 PM Panel: New Groups and Activities Dealing With Advanced Technology, Art and Architecture
A potpourri of new techno-aesthetic resources. Participants will have the option of breaking early to visit the A/E SYSTEMS '85 exhibit area.
Registration Information
The Design Process conference enrollment is $60 per day, or $110 for both days. The luncheon programs are optional and priced at $15 extra per day. Special student, faculty and group enrollment discounts are available, contact GUIDELINES for details.

For further information, contact GUIDELINES, Box 456, Orinda, CA 94563. Telephone (415) 254-0639 or (415) 254-9939.

Introduction To AM/FM Automated Mapping & Facilities Management
Sponsored by AM/FM International (a non-profit organization)
Session C-2
Hilton—California Pavilion A
Tuesday, June 4, 1985
8:30 AM — 4:30 PM
8:30 AM Registration

9:00 AM
AM/FM Systems—What Are They
- An Overview of AM/FM
- Meaning of AM and FM
- Digital Map and Drawing Data Base Approach
- Components of the AM/FM Industry—Utilities, Governments and Others
- Function of the Industry: Computerized Geographic and Utility Information.
- AM/FM vs. AM Data Base vs. Graphics.
- Who’s Who in the Industry: Users, consultants, contractors and vendors.
- What is an AM/FM Project
- DMDBB Groups

11:30 AM Lunch Break in Exhibit Hall
Visit the exhibits of your choice.

1:30 PM
Investigation Module
The Learning Process
- Economic Feasibility: Inventory and Cost/Benefit Analysis
- Prototype/Test/Pilot Plan, Definition, Specifications
- Big Project: Review, refinement, preparation
- Procurement: Hardware/software, service, Contracts
- Acquiring Data Base and Applications: Conversion, update and uses
- Summary Panel: Answer specific questions from attendees.

Sponsor
AM/FM International was formed in early 1982 by the Keystone VI Planning Committee. The organization was formed as a non-profit educational organization to assist its members in learning more about AM/FM projects and to communicate information to all regarding the components of the industry and help people to learn about starting a project.

Registration
The cost of this full day program is $195 which includes the seminar, handout material, box lunch, and admission to the exhibit hall.

For further information on this program contact Barbara Emery at AM/FM International, 8775 East Orchard Rd., Suite 820, Englewood, CO 80111 (303) 779-8320.

The Consultant Process: How to Select, Negotiate and Work With Design Professionals
Sponsored by A/E Marketing Journal
Presented in cooperation with the Southern California chapter of The Society for Marketing Professional Services
Session C-3
Hilton—California Pavilion C
Tuesday, June 4, 1985
8:30 AM — 4:15 PM
The success of any project today depends to a great extent on the performance of the design professional—architect, engineer, interior designer and other specialist consultants. Yet too often the client selects the wrong firm(s), negotiates a poor contract, has a disastrous relationship during the job or all the above.

This one-day program will give clients some tips on how to make this relationship the symbiotic one it should be. Through the personal experience of clients and other participants in the process, you will learn how to make the most of the professionalism that is available to you among design consultants.

8:45 AM Consultant Selection: How to Find the Right Consultant for Your Needs
Ben Cubler
Manager, Corporate Property Management
Atlantic Richfield Corp.
Los Angeles, CA
George Cormack
Director of Facilities & Real Properties
County of Orange
Santa Ana, CA
Martin McElroy
President
Sixty-Eight/52 Associates
New York, NY

10:00 AM Break
10:15 AM Negotiation with Consultants: Getting a Fair Contract at a Good Price
Michael Miguel
Manager, A&E Professional Services Office
NAVFA
San Bruno, CA
Donald Battjes
Vice President, Development
Hughes Aircraft Co.
Los Angeles, CA
Charles Poll
President
Charles Poll and Associates
Los Angeles, CA

11:15 AM Panel Discussion
Panel Discussion
11:30 AM Lunch in the exhibit hall
Visit the exhibits of your choice.

1:30 PM
Avoiding Problems: Why Things Go Wrong and How to Prevent Them
Gilbert Jordan
Senior Vice President
Cushman Management Company
Los Angeles, CA
Richard Neave
President
Eagle Design & Construction Group
New York, NY
Raymond Gaio
Vice President
DMFM
Los Angeles, CA

2:30 PM Break
2:45 PM Automated Systems: How to Use Computers Both in Your Operations and in Your Consultant’s Office
Roger Panther
Assistant Vice President, Programming and Design
Hospita Corporation of America
Nashville, TN

Computer Tools For Landscape Architects
Sponsored by The American Society of Landscape Architects
Session C-4
Hilton—California Pavilion D
Tuesday, June 4, 1985
8:30 AM — 4:30 PM
This program will focus on the exciting applications of computers in landscape architecture at both site and regional scales, with special emphasis on office and project management through automated systems. This presentation is vital for all professionals involved with site development and planning, including landscape architects, planners, and other interested parties.

8:00 AM Registration
8:30 AM Trends in CAD for Landscape Design
Stephen Ervin, ASLA
President
MFE Associates
Amherst, MA
Recent developments and systems applications will be reviewed for their potential for enhancing the practice of landscape architecture. The program will be based on the latest developments in computer-aided design systems and will be of interest to all professionals involved with the design of landscape architecture.

10:00 AM Break

Concurrent Conferences
Theodore Stanton, AIA
Principal
Yearwood & Johnson
Nashville, TN
Manuel Urquiza
Principal
CHA
Los Angeles, CA
Robert Newson
Principal
Daniel Dworksky Associates FAIA
Los Angeles, CA

3:45 PM
Panel Discussion
4:15 PM Adjournment

Registration Information
The cost of this full day program is $195 which includes the seminar, handout material, box lunch, and admission to the exhibit hall.

For further information on this program contact Carol Gosselin at A/E Marketing Journal, P.O. Box 11316, Newington, CT 06111 (203) 666-9487.
Concurrent Conferences

10:30 AM
Landform Modelling and Earthwork Calculations
Bruce MacDougall, Ph.D, ASLA
University of Massachusetts
Amherst, MA

Presentation will emphasize recent work on computer methods for grading and terrain manipulation using state-of-the-art graphic techniques.

11:30 AM
Lunch in the Exhibit Hall
Visit the exhibits of your choice

1:30 PM
Computer-Based Site Analysis and Landscape Planning
Stephen Ervin
Bruce MacDougall

Using microcomputers to analyze data obtained from remote sensing sources has led to effective methods for site and regional landscape analysis and planning. Advances and current practices will be addressed in this session.

3:00 PM
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The presenters will include:

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Pat Tufts
Chief Engineer
University of Illinois
(USA/SC)

Chief Communications Systems Officer
Larry Sieck
BASCOP CAD Coordinator
Cambridge, MA

Chief Engineering Automation Branch
Robert Copeland
BASCOP Project Leader

This session starts at 1:30 PM Tuesday, June 4 in Room 4 at the Anaheim Convention Center and is free to all A/E SYSTEMS '85 registrants.

4:15 PM
Wrap up and Adjournment

Registration Information

The cost of this full day program is $195 which includes the seminar, handout materials, and admission to the exhibit hall.

For more information on this program, contact Rod Mercer at the American Society of Landscape Architects, 1733 Connecticut Avenue, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20009 (202) 466-7730.

Using CAE In The Army

Sponsored by U.S. Army

Session C-5
Convention Center—Room 4
Tuesday, June 4
1:30 PM — 4:30 PM

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New Directions For Growth and Profit Through Computerized Engineering
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APEC, Inc.
National Society of Professional Engineers/Professional Engineers in Private Practice.
Session C-7
Hilton—California Pavilion C
Wednesday, June 5, 1985
8:30 AM — 11:30 AM and 1:30 PM — 4:30 PM
Computers in engineering put a burden on management to create an environment where employees produce accurate, innovative designs for a profitable concern. Client groups have adjusted their expectations, and the vendors offer continuous systems innovations. Everyone from line supervisor to officers and owners will gain valuable insight on how the firm’s management should keep pace with the advances in automated engineering.
Module 1—Clients and Competition
8:00 AM Registration
8:30 AM Introduction
Robert Marshall, ACEC Computer Aids Committee
8:35 AM What’s The Competition Doing?
Gregory Coleman
ACEC Research and Management Foundation
Washington, DC
Four out of five consulting engineers use computers, according to a recent ACEC survey. Take a look at how the profession uses computers in practice and where it’s headed.
9:00 AM What Will The Client Want?
Robert Marshall, Moderator
Captain William Harris
Head Acquisition Department
Western Division NAFC
Engineering Command
John Hanson
Deputy Architect
State of California
Representatives of major client groups reveal their expectations from designers in computerized practice, including quality, turnaround, systems compatibility, flexibility and more.
10:15 AM
CADD: Is There a Second “D”?
Robert Marshall, Moderator
Michael Jordan, PE
Intergraph
Dr. Irwin J. Reps
IBM
Eric McDougal
McAuto
Computer-aided Drafting and Design (CADD) systems have been entirely drafting machines, with little real design capabilities. Three major CADD vendors explore the coming of a true second “D”, and how this will affect design practices.
11:30 AM
Lunch break in the exhibit hall. Visit the exhibitors of your choice
Module 2—Profitability Now
1:30 PM
Are We Making Money with the Computer?
Robert Marshall, Moderator
Daniel Shevchik
Malcolm Pirnie, Inc.
White Plains, NY
Elbert C. Ray
Proctor-Davis-Ray Consulting Engineers, Inc.
Lexington, KY
Allen Noyes
Brown & Caldwell
Walnut Creek, CA
Reducing project man-hours through automation means less revenue under some traditional compensation arrangements. A lively panel of three highly automated consulting engineers explain how to make the computer return on investment, through client education, negotiation and new agreements.
2:45 PM
Break
3:00 PM
Human Factors in Computerizing Design
James Olsten
Dames & Moore
Los Angeles, CA
Everyone doesn’t embrace the new technologies as positive events, and benefits don’t automatically come to buyers of hardware and software. Designs are still produced by humans, with their own misgivings, anxieties, styles and aspirations. The session explores the Human Factor and how to meld it into a system installation.
3:30 PM
Software Evaluation
Dennis Hirota
Sam O. Hirota, Inc.
Honolulu, HI
Design firms have a duty to their clients, employees and owners to acquire accurate, cost effective software from the seemingly limitless marketplace. Here’s how.
3:50 PM
Professional Liability in Automated Design Practices
Paul M. Lurie
Lurie Shkar & Simon, Ltd.
Chicago, IL
Designers bear the same responsibility for their work regardless of what computerized process helped produce it. Automation has brought new wrinkles to liability abatement for managers.
4:30 PM
Adjournment
Registration Information
The cost for each module is $125; if one registers for both, cost is $195 total. The price includes the seminar, all handout material and admission to the exhibit hall. Registrants to both modules will also receive lunch.
For further information on this program, contact ACEC
Professional Development and Meetings, 1015 15th Street, N.W., Washington, D.C., 20055. Phone (202) 347-7474.

Computer Aided Facility Planning & Management
Sponsored by International Facility Management Association
Session C-8
Hilton—California Pavilion D
Wednesday, June 5, 1985
8:30 AM — 4:00 PM
Computers can aid significantly in the efficient and effective planning and management of a corporation’s facilities. Learn what computers can do for your company, what the state of the art is in terms of the available technology, and how other corporations have implemented computers into their facility management departments. We welcome all facility professionals who want to learn more about the powerful potential of the computer for facility management support.
8:00 AM Registration
8:30 AM Getting Started: An Introduction to Computer Applications
James E. Goomes
Senior Associate, Consulting Facility Management Institute
Ann Arbor, MI
Based on the results of our survey of current computer applications in facility management, you will learn how other facility management professionals are using the computer in their work. You will also learn both the advantages and disadvantages of using computers to aid in facility management.
9:15 AM Determining your Computer Needs
Peter Kimmel
Realty Specialist
General Services Administration
Washington, D.C.
Determining the right fit between computer hardware and software for your facility management department is no easy job and may represent a sizable investment for your corporation. Because the facility management departments of today’s corporations vary so widely in terms of size and complexity there is no one right answer. This presentation will outline the criteria and steps necessary for selecting and implementing an automated facility management system.
10:00 AM
Break
10:30 AM Using Computers in Facility Planning and Management: A Case Study
Arthur Hahn
Manager, Facilities Operations
TRW, Electronics & Defense
Redondo Beach, CA
A case study of how TRW uses computers to aid in the space optimization and efficient operation of their facilities will be presented. TRW is a major defense contractor using both a CAD system and PCs in their facility management department.
11:30 AM
Break for Lunch and Exhibit Viewing
1:30 PM Selecting Software Programs for Facility Management
Michael Schley
President
Facility Systems Group
Houston, TX
The advantages and disadvantages of developing software in-house vs. commercially available software packages will be
The emergence of computerized tools to support the methods of modern facilities management is leading to a collision of design methodology versus the use of computers to perform design functions. The emerging systems will be so-called "expert systems" and will have far reaching effects on how facilities will be managed.

3:15 PM
Round Table Discussion
Speakers will engage in a discussion of specific issues raised by the audience.

4:00 PM
Wrap-up and Adjournment

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The Use Of Computers In Marketing

Sponsored by The Society for Marketing Professional Services
Session C-9
Hilton—California
Pavilion B
Wednesday, June 5, 1985
8:30 AM — 11:30 PM

This SMPS program was so popular at A/E SYSTEMS '84 that it has been updated and expanded to a half-day seminar. It will help you evaluate your present information systems with a look toward future needs, and it will be of interest to principals and marketing staff who are looking to improve managerial, administrative and clerical productivity in the office by more efficiently managing information.

7:30 AM
Registration

8:30 AM
Managing Marketing Information System Further
Wendell "Dell" Palmer
Executive Vice President
Greiner Engineering Sciences, Inc.
Denver, Colorado

For nearly 16 years Mr. Palmer has been using computers to manage the marketing efforts of the firms he has been associated with. The computer offers the flexibility to search out information and produce an infinite variety of reports and supportive tasks such as mailing lists and marketing analyses. He will discuss the aspects of good marketing record keeping systems and several alternatives to the use of computers in this system. Mr. Palmer will describe some of the software he has developed and used in his own firms and will provide handouts which will include sample forms useful in collecting the information necessary for inclusion in a good marketing information system.

Speaker
Dell Palmer is Executive Vice President of Greiner Engineering Sciences, Inc., a national engineering firm with offices in 32 cities. He is responsible for the general management of the firm's Rocky Mountain regional offices. He holds a Bachelor of Architectural Engineering Degree from Penn State University and is a registered professional engineer.

Why Attend This Program
- To learn how to maximize the use of your present computer
- To learn how you, as a non-programmer, can generate marketing data that is relevant to the planning process
- To learn how important the computer is having on professional design firms

Registration Information
Cost of this half-day program is $125 which includes the seminar, workbook and handout material, and admission to the exhibit hall. For further information on this program, contact Penny Goodman at CSI, 601 Madison St., Alexandria, VA 22314, (703) 684-0300.

Automated Specifications and Product Selection
Sponsored by The Construction Specifications Institute
Session C-10
Marriott—North Hall
Thursday, June 6, 1985
8:30 AM — 11:30 AM

Automated design, product selection, and specifications hold great promise and challenge for the preparation of construction documents. For the design professional, manufacturer, and specifications consultant the impact on job skills, office procedure, and competition will be significant. To help you prepare for those changes this workshop explains what investments in time, equipment, and personnel can be made now. It describes the systems available today, the direction they can be expected to take in the future, and the legal implications to be considered.

8:00 AM
Registration

8:30 AM
Introduction
- Automated Systems Available Today
  -Equipment
  -Costs
  -Advantages & Disadvantages
- Automated Systems of the Future
  -Interactive product selectors
  -Interactive specification writing systems
  -Interactive CADD systems and automatic specification production
- Who will produce the systems of the future?
- Will today's equipment be compatible?
- How to prepare for automation

10:00 AM
Break

10:15 AM
The Legal Implications of Automation
- Copyright considerations
- Potential anti-trust implications
- Hardware and software contracts
- Professional Liability

11:15 AM
Questions and Answers

11:30 AM
Lunch in the Exhibit Hall

Speakers
Robert Paul Dean, AIA, CSI, CCS is Senior Associate, and Production Coordinator and CADD Production Manager for Heery & Heery, Architects & Engineers, Inc. of Atlanta, GA. Prior to joining Heery & Heery, Mr. Dean was with AIA in Washington where he helped write the initial version of MAS-TERSPEC 2, the AIA Service Corporation's master specification system. He received his Bachelor of Architecture degree from Tulane University and holds a Master of Architecture degree from The University of Washington.

Robert J. Smith, CSI is an attorney with Wickwire, Gavin & Gibbs, P.C., Washington, DC. Mr. Smith is a graduate of the University of Wisconsin with a BSCE as well as a Juris Doctorate. Prior to joining his present firm he was a Civil Engineering Professor at the University of Wisconsin and was also Chairman of the Wisconsin Transportation Commission.

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Micros, Minis & Mainframes In Civil Engineering

Sponsored by The Society for Computer Applications in Engineering, Planning and Architecture (CEPA)
Cosponsored by American Consulting Engineers Council (ACEC)
APEC, Inc.,
National Society of Professional Engineers / Professional Engineers in Private Practice (NSPE/PEPP)
Session C-11
Hilton—California
Pavilion C
Thursday, June 6, 1985,
8:30 AM — 11:30 AM and 1:30 PM — 4:30 PM

Micro, mini, mainframe, which shall it be? Quality and productivity in engineering are shown to be enhanced by the use of computers, regardless of size. Six practicing professionals discuss their experiences and illustrate that using the proper tool for the job at hand is still a good idea.

The morning session is devoted to the application of computers to the design and analysis function. In the afternoon the drafting function—CAD, and the integrated design and drafting functions—CADD are explored.
Morning Program:
Computers in Civil Engineering

8:00 AM
Registration

8:30 AM
Micro Computers in a Civil and Structural Engineering Office
Robert S. Sweeney
Reaves & Sweeney, Inc., Memphis, TN

The use of micro computers and off-the-shelf software can increase the productivity of professionals. Case studies in the fields of structures, hydrology, and geometrics are presented.

9:15 AM
Mini Computers—Changes Are Coming
Charles S. Hodge
Boyle Engineering Corporation, Newport Beach, CA

Mini computers have traditionally been the mainstay for computer applications in civil engineering. Agonizing reappraisals are now needed to maintain software investments.

10:00 AM
Coffee Break

10:30 AM
Making Effective Use of the Mainframe Computer—Even Small Firms Can Benefit
John Sandberg
Dowland Mann Johnson & Mendenhall, Los Angeles, CA

A large firm's total volume of data often makes a mainframe a requirement, but one doesn't have to own one to make good use of one. Numerous owners of mainframes are in the time sharing or service bureau business offering special application software, some at bargain prices.

11:15 AM
The Future
The morning's speakers' wrap-up of the morning session with emphasis on how new developments in computer technology may affect your professional practice.

11:30 AM
Lunch Break in the Exhibit Hall

Afternoon Program:
CAD/CADD in Civil Engineering

1:30 PM
Microcomputer Based CAD Systems
W. Tracy Lenocker
Wildan Associates, Anaheim, CA

This presentation will review the capabilities of existing computer assisted drafting programs for microcomputers with particular attention to civil engineering applications. The discussion will also cover minimum hardware configurations. Increases in productivity and profitability as well as problems and pitfalls will be covered.

2:15 PM
Organizing for CADD
Richard L. Bland
Giffels Associates, Inc., Southfield, MI

The productivity improvement potential of CADD systems can only be realized if the technology is effectively implemented. The impact on office procedures cannot be understated. Proper planning and education of project team captains is as important, and more difficult, than the training for operation. Some innovative approaches will be presented for dealing with these aspects of CADD implementation in a mini-computer installation.

3:00 PM
Coffee Break

3:30 PM
The Integration of CAD and Mainframe Computer Applications
Robert K. Waddick
Sargent & Lundy Engineers, Chicago, IL

Sargent & Lundy uses a CADD system based on the VAX family of computers, and has integrated CAD applications into the overall computing effort centered around two large Sperry 1100 systems. An extensive network of graphics terminals has been applied to a wide variety of structural and other civil engineering applications. These lead directly to the creation of final design drawings and calculations.

4:15 PM
The Future
CAD/CADD systems are becoming more and more prevalent in civil engineering practice. The speakers give a glimpse of what the future may hold.

Registration Information
Cost of each session is $125 or $195 for both sessions which includes the seminar, all handout material, coffee breaks and admission to the exhibit hall.

For further information on this program, contact Patricia C. Johnson at CEPA Inc., 15713 Crabbs Branch Way, Rockville, MD 20855. Phone (301) 920-7070.

The Computer and The Interior Designer
Sponsored by
Institute of Business
Designers Southern California Chapter
Session C-12
Hilton—California Pavilion D
Thursday, June 6, 1985
8:30 AM — 4:00 PM

If you are an interior designer, an architect, space planner, or a design firm administrator planning to incorporate the computer into your design practice, this program is for you. If you are a first-time user, or already using a system, it is for you. We will provide you immediately with a take-home syllabus, as well as information to help in analyzing your need for a computer; which applications are most cost effective; managing a project with a computer; implementing a system in your organization; weighing alternatives like using a service bureau rather than purchasing your own system, and much more!

8:00 AM
Registration
Continental Breakfast

8:30 AM
Hardware and Software: What is it? What do you do with it? What can it do for you?
David P. Leckie
Director of Information Systems
Walker Associates, Los Angeles, CA

James Lefever
Computer Operations Manager
Welton-Becket, Santa Monica, CA

When you have decided to get a computer, where do you start? A look at available state of the art hardware and software for business and graphics.

9:30 AM
Computerization of a Design Firm: Three case histories
Timothy H. Walker
Walker Associates, Inc.
Los Angeles, CA

Theodore L. Stanton III
Yearwood & Johnson Architects
Nashville, TN

Kenneth Hedlund
Environetics, International
Los Angeles, CA

This panel discusses the motivating factors of computer start-up, day-to-day economic and production realities and the projected future use of the computer in three interior design firms.
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Concurrent Conferences

Management Issues Facing Today's Design Professionals

Sponsored by Professional Services Management Journal (PSMJ)
Session C-13
Hilton—California
Pavilion B
Thursday, June 6, 1985
8:30 AM — 11:30 AM and 1:30 PM — 4:00 PM

Morning Program: Clients Talk About Price Competition

Pricing decisions make the difference between profit and loss. At this session you will learn:
- What are the effects of increased price competition (bidding)?
- How does the private client view price competition?
- How does the governmental client view price competition?
- What is the future outlook for pricing and profitability?
This program lets you hear and question clients who extensively use design professional services.

8:00 AM
Registration

8:30 AM
Effects of Price Competition
Nora Lea Reefe
Consultant Management Services Inc.
Tampa, FL
How has bidding affected professional services? Where does price competition work? What to do when you have to bid.

9:00 AM
The Private Client Speaks
Richard Foster
Digital Equipment Corporation
Acton, MA
What does the client look for? How does the private firm regard price? Will lower prices result in selection?

9:30 AM
The Public Sector Speaks
J. Calvin Spradley
General Services Administration
Kansas City, MO
How important is price? How are design professionals perceived? What factors result in selection?

10:00 AM
Current and Future Economic Conditions Affecting Price
David A. Rinderer
PSMJ
Brookline, MA
What effects do computers have on price? What will be future profitability? Increased competition—how will it affect management and pricing?

10:30 AM
Roundtable Discussion
The panel responds to questions and comments of registrants.

11:30 AM
Lunch in the Exhibit Hall
Visit the exhibits of your choice

Afternoon Program: Managing The Branch Office

This PSMJ program is designed specifically for design professionals facing growth and client demands which require them to open and manage branch offices. This program will give you specific tips on such issues as:
- How to open a branch office
- How to choose and keep a branch manager
- How to get new jobs through branch offices
- How to evaluate branch profitability
- How to develop interoffice cooperation

This session is conducted by professionals with "hands-on" experience in branch office management.

1:30 PM
How and Why to Open a Branch Office
McLane Fisher
Executive Vice President
CH2M Hill
Denver, CO
How to justify a branch office. Issues to consider when choosing a location. Making the "go-no go" decision.

2:00 PM
Compensating and Motivating Branch Managers
Herbert A. "Bud" Hoyles
Management Consultant
Vancouver, BC
Incentive compensation, motivating the budding entrepreneur, keeping the branch manager on the team.

2:30 PM
Marketing Through Branch Offices
Bill Herb
Marketing Director
Greiner Engineers
Tucson, AZ
Cooperative marketing, communication of leads, local selling vs. national regional capability.

3:00 PM
Financial Management of Branch Offices
Tom Kurkjian
Treasurer
George Nolte & Associates
San Jose, CA
Interoffice charges and reviewing corporate overhead, evaluating branch financial achievements.

3:30 PM
Roundtable Discussion
An opportunity for all attendees to question the speakers and share their personal branch office experiences.

Registration Information
The cost of each session is $125 or $195 for both sessions which includes the seminar, workbook and handout materials, and admission to the exhibit hall.

For further information on this program contact Larry J. Engelken, EGT Incorporated, Houston, TX.

9:00 AM
Where Are We Now? Where Are We Going?
Frank D. Hutchinson III
Senior Vice President
Gibbs & Hill, Inc.
New York, NY
Reviewing Gibbs & Hill's over 15 years of experience in the use of their CADAF System for the design and engineering of power plants. Frank Hutchinson will share problems, pitfalls and successes and explore the future potential for computer graphic and design applications.

9:45 AM
Applying Computers in the Process and Power Engineering Firm
William C. Breen
Senior Vice President
Fluor Engineers, Inc.
Irvin, CA
Using computers for design, process simulation, 2D CAD, 3D CADD, material management and integrated project management, William Breen will provide a case study look at his firm's applications. Emphasis will be placed on 3D plant modeling, specification and drawing generation, integrated design and distributive processing.

10:30 AM
Detailed Design Review Through 3-D Modeling
Joseph A. Mudd
Chief Engineer—Computer Applications
Bechtel Petroleum, Inc.
San Francisco, CA

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**User Group Meetings**

Do you have a problem with your system that you'd like to have solved? Have you developed a new "wrinkle" that you'd like to share with your peers? Would you like to get together in an open forum and exchange hardware/software "secrets" with other design professionals? Then consider attending one or more of the vendor-sponsored User Group Meetings to air your concerns. These in-depth two-to-three hour meetings will be conducted by each of the organizations listed below as a vital service to their customers or members. For more details about these meetings, contact the below-listed representatives directly:

### ACCI Business Systems, Inc.
- Paul Pamer
- 12707 North Freeway #140
- Houston, TX 77060
- Hilton Palos Verdes
- Thursday 1:30 PM–4:30 PM

### AutoCAD
- Stephanie Ford
- 2658 Bridgeway Sausalito, CA 94965
- Hilton Capistrano
- Wednesday 1:30 PM–4:00 PM

### BST Consultants, Inc.
- Chris Meyer
- P.O. Box 23425
- Tampa, FL 33623
- Hilton Capistrano
- Thursday 1:30 PM–4:00 PM

### CIVILSOFT
- Katie Hill
- 290 South Anaheim Blvd. #100
- Anaheim, CA 92805
- Hilton Palos Verdes
- Monday–Thursday 9:00 AM–4:00 PM

### Coordinating Council for Computers in Construction
- Harry Mileaf
- Sweet's Division
- 1221 Avenue of the Americas
- New York, NY 10020
- Hilton Laguna
- Tuesday 9:00 AM–12:00 Noon

### ECOM Associates, Inc.
- Gary Koser
- 8634 West Brown Deer Road
- Milwaukee, WI 53224
- Hilton Capistrano
- Thursday 9:00 AM–12:00 Noon

### Micro Mode, Inc.
- Bill Henderson
- 4006 Mt. Laurel
- San Antonio, TX 78240
- Hilton Palos Verdes
- Thursday 1:30 PM–4:30 PM

The coordination between design companies and operating clients usually culminates in a detailed model review that includes checks on design rules, maintainability, operability and constructibility. Joseph Mudd will show how his firm’s review methods improve plant quality while reducing home office design costs through the 3-D computer graphic models.

**11:15 AM Panel Discussion**

Led by Moderator Larry Engelken, the speakers of the morning session will field questions on the specific issues raised from the audience.

**11:30 AM Lunch Break in the Exhibit Hall**

Visit the exhibits of your choice.

**1:30 PM The Vendor's Perspective Introduction—Advancing the State-of-the-Art**

Larry J. Engelken

The use of Computer-Aided Design and Drafting (CADD) is growing exponentially. In power and process engineering, three of the leading vendors will discuss their approach to meeting the end-user demand—in the present as well as the near future.

**1:40 PM The Power of 3-D**

Ralph B. Zak
- Director, A-E-C Strategic Marketing
- Calma Company, Santa Clara, CA

The majority of existing CAD users work in 2D. The reasons for this are clear: low cost, cost-effectiveness, ease of use. However, the greatest benefits to be derived from CAD technology are in the application of 3D modeling techniques. Using Calma’s system, Ralph Zak will provide examples of how 3D graphics with integral 3D database can be effectively used.

**2:20 PM Product Process Automation—Integrating CAE/CAD/CAM**

Charles M. Sroczynski
- Manager, Product Marketing
- Process & Power Plant Design
- Computervision Corporation
- Bedford, MA

Through a family of hardware which includes personal designer, stand-alone micro-based workstations, mini driven groups of workstations and business processors for database solutions, Computervision has become a world leader. Now, industry-specific marketing and development groups within CV are tackling each of the major A-E-C design disciplines. This session focuses on their response to the power and process field.

**3:00 PM Integrating Design Disciplines Through Computer Graphics**

Ken Brockwell
- Applications Manager, Plant Design
- Intergraph Corporation
- Huntsville, AL

Interactive, computer-aided plant design systems provide for the production of process schematic and 3-D models comprising structural, equipment, piping, HVAC and electrical features. Integrated with the modeling phase are analysis functions and an extraction process for 2-D detailing, construction drawings and material take-off. Ken Brockwell will discuss how his company is meeting the challenge in computer-assisted plant design.

**3:40 PM Panel Discussion**

Led by the moderator, the afternoon speakers will field questions on the specific issues raised from the audience.

**4:00 PM Wrap-up and Adjournment**

### Registration Information

The cost for this full day program is $185 which includes the seminar, handout material, box lunch and admission to the exhibit hall.

For further information on this program contact Carol Gosselin, A/E SYSTEMS REPORT, P.O. Box 11318, Newington, CT 06111 or call (203) 666-6097.

**Automation and the Architectural Firm—Can It Be Done?**

Sponsored by A/E SYSTEMS REPORT

Chaired by Daniel S. Raker

Editor, A/E SYSTEMS REPORT and President, Design & Systems Research, Inc.

Session C-15

Hilton—California

Pavilion C

Friday, June 7, 1984

8:30 AM — 4:30 PM

Share the day with professionals who are well along the way towards automation and learn from their experiences and mistakes. The program provides a cohesive look at the stages of automation in an architectural firm from word processing and accounting to CADD and reprographics.

At this session you learn how firms of all sizes are benefiting from automation. Each speaker brings an area of expertise that is topic specific, like CADD, or project management, or master details in an automated reprographics environment. In addition each speaker brings a personal perspective from having managed, acquired, or used the technology presented. Speakers come from firms one as well as one thousand persons in size, and nearly every range in between.

**8:00 AM Registration**

**8:30 AM How Sweet It Can Be!**

Seymour Fish, AIA

Director of Production and Director of CADD Services

Haines Lundberg Waehler

New York, NY

Reflections on the road to automation at HLW and a discussion of the benefits of CADD and computer operations integrated with design, engineering, and drafting activities. HLW has a growing CADD installation plus sophisticated management information systems and controls.

**9:30 AM Automation in the Front Office**

Greg Putnam

President

PMC Inc.

Piedmont, CA

One of the first steps towards effective automation is organization of the front office. Greg Putnam has years of consulting experience bringing word processing, financial and project accounting, and advanced marketing techniques to firms. He will provide guidelines on acquiring new systems and give tips for making existing systems more effective.

**10:10 AM Drawing Automation Starts with Reprographics**

Ken Gardiner

Director of Architecture

CUH2A

Princeton, NJ

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This in-plant repro center uses a vacuum frame for pin bar or post-punched CADD documents alike. Tips on when to use manual, reprographic, and CADD drawing techniques for an efficient mix of drawing productivity.

10:50 AM
Professional, Micros, and Details — A One-Man and Large Firm Perspective
Loren Mastin
Loren Mastin AIA Architect Ltd. and Harwood K. Smith & Partners
Dallas, TX
There is an easier way of doing certain construction document sheets. Not using CADD as we now know it, but with microcomputers that can prepare, document, index, and produce master details. Loren Mastin has embraced the micro as a tool in his one-man office, and is now spreading the gospel in a much larger firm where computer budgets are high, but professional computer literacy is on the rise.

11:30 AM
Lunch in the Exhibit Hall
Visit the exhibits of your choice

1:30 PM
A CEO's Perspective on CADD
Jim Jonassen
President
NBBJ
Seattle, WA
A look at the trade-off of capital allocation towards automation and away from personnel. How NBBJ made the decision to purchase a CADD system, and then decided which brand, how many stations, who would use it, and what projects would be first on the system. Tips for studying available CADD systems and getting a system up and running in the office.

2:20 PM
Psychological Dynamics of Computer Implementation
Ira Fuchs
President
Micro-Installations
New York, NY
You don't get into your car in the morning and expect it to butter your toast — what should you expect from your computer? Hardware and software are only 30% of the computer implementation equation. The remaining 70% is the working environment, user expectations, and preparation. From the perspective of an end user and a vendor, Fuchs discusses the psychological barriers to successful computer implementation.

3:10 PM
Setting a Long Range Technology Plan at ADD Inc.: A Two Year Perspective
Phillip Briggs
Partner
ADD Inc.
Cambridge, MA
Two word processors, two PCs, two CADD workstations. Where do we go from here? Phil Briggs discusses how technology is playing an increasingly important role in planning the future of ADD Inc. Compound growth of personnel, space, and computers must be tempered by technology understanding, cash flow planning, training, and job satisfaction.

4:00 PM
Roundup: Action Items for Your Office
Daniel S. Raker and the speakers of the day.

Registration Information
The cost of this full day program is $195 which includes the seminar, handout material, box lunch, and admission to the exhibit hall.
For further information on this program contact Carol Goselin at A/E SYSTEMS REPORT, PO Box 11316, Newington, CT 06111, (203) 666-6097.

Computers and Marketing For Contractors
Sponsored by Contractor Profit News (CPN)
Session C-16
Hilton-California
Pavilion B
Friday, June 7, 1985
8:30 AM — 11:30 AM
and 1:30 PM — 4:00 PM

Morning Program: Computers in Construction
Technological advances continue to revolutionize the construction industry. Benefit from this program where leaders in the use of computers in construction share techniques, developments, philosophy and future enhancements. They will address such issues as:

- How the computer is revolutionizing the job site.
- How computerized management techniques increase profits.
- How to use automation in estimating construction costs and how to prepare successful bids.
- How to apply computers to the scheduling process and bring in the job on time.
- How to develop a data base and improve your decision making abilities.
- How to use computers in the field.
- How to stay competitive in the technological age of the 80's and lead the way in the 90's.

Be prepared for a challenge to your ideas of how the construction industry works and how it will operate in the future.

8:00 AM Registration

8:30 AM How to Begin Using Computers in Construction
John Ricchini
P.C.I.
Lincoln, NE

9:15 AM Practical Applications and Techniques
Gregory P. Denk
Kitchell Contractors
Phoenix, AZ

10:30 AM What Computers Will Do in the Future
Frank A. Stasiowski
Contractor Profit News
Brookline, MA

11:00 AM Roundtable Discussion
The chance for you to get answers to the specific questions you have.

11:30 AM Lunch in the Exhibit Hall.
Visit the exhibits of your choice.

Afternoon Program: Selling Contractor Services

Fierce competition has increased the importance of successful selling of contractor services.

Selling means survival. The sophistication of the sales effort is rising. This program will share with you proven techniques to raise the "hit rate" of your marketing program.

"Selling Contractor Services" is designed for chief executive officers, construction executives, marketing directors, and all those concerned with improving their sales performance in the contracting industry.

1:30 PM — 4:00 PM
A frank discussion led by two experts in the construction industry. They will share their knowledge on such subjects as:

- How to make the best use of brochures and other sales materials.
- How to make a successful presentation, impress the potential client, and be selected to bid.
- How to identify promising leads and potential projects.
- How not to waste your marketing time and dollars and how to increase the effectiveness of your marketing staff.
- How to measure the success of your sales efforts.
- How to be selected for qualifications and not by price.

Successful sales efforts are well planned and make the most efficient use of the resources available to the marketing task. After this session you will be prepared to improve your sales plan to increase your flow of work.

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The cost of each session is $125 or $195 for both which includes the seminar, workbook and handout material, and admission to the exhibit hall. For further information on this program contact Paula DiFoggio at CPN, 126 Harvard Street, Brookline, MA 02146, (617) 731-1913.

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Be sure to stop by the A/E Software Center!

Exhibit Highlights

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- More than 75 of the leading vendors of computer graphics (CADD) hardware, software, systems and services—from plotters to turnkey systems, from microCAD to 3-D modeling and animation, including every major vendor serving the architect-engineer-contractor market.
- Over 50 companies offering reprographics services, products and supplies. And the state-of-the-art multi-vendor exhibit, The Reprographics Center.
- More than two dozen leading suppliers of drafting room and office automation furniture, equipment and cabinetry—from pencils and pens to tables and chairs to ergonomically-designed systems and contract furnishings.
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On any day, however, it’s a bustling center of activity where old buildings mingle with new. And where offices and commercial space mix comfortably with residential units ranging from artist lofts to lofty luxury condos. It’s a living and working place that attracts people 24 hours a day.

It wasn’t always so. Cornerstone Development Company President, Paul Schell, and a team of talented architects have turned a shabby part of Seattle’s important waterfront district into an energetic urban neighborhood.

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It’s also turned out to be a showcase for a lot of Pella products.

At the National Building, a five-story 1890s warehouse, architects Hewitt, Daley & Isley kept the best of the old and added new materials with a deft touch.

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And in what seems to be the Seattle style, the Pella Clad sash and frame are different colors - the former tan, the latter blue. Inside, the wood of Pella glows like the original massive wood columns, beams and ceilings.

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As the building rises, the materials, colors, and setbacks signal changes in function. Echoing these changes are the white Pella Clad Windows and Doors. Commercial spaces feature Pella Pivot Windows. The condos include nearly the entire Pella line from the Contemporary French Sliding Glass Door to Sunrooms that wrap around corners.

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The first five floors are squarish and reflect the general shape of adjacent commercial buildings. But above that the building segues into a residential tower twenty stories high. It culminates in layer after layer of exuberant setbacks, balconies, chamfered corners and zigzag edges.

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Architects have become involved with computers in a variety of ways—with important implications.

It has been said that with the computer, the numbers of architects needed will diminish drastically. It has been said that with the computer, the small office will entirely disappear. It has been said that building design will be taken more and more out of the hands of even medium-sized architectural design firms, to be executed only by large A/E companies that alone can afford very large computer systems.

Are we facing a crisis in the profession? There is little doubt that a modern world without architects—or with lame-duck architects—would be a grim place. Architecture is the profession whose training encourages the student’s social conscience and cultural and historical understanding to bloom, to take physical form, and to make an imprint on this earth, affecting everyone.

The computer itself will guarantee neither the salvation nor the destruction of the special role that architects have played in forming our civilization. Curiously, however, the machine can be used to hasten the passage towards either destination. On the one hand, there is a harmonious fit between architects and computers: both excel in finding simultaneous solutions to problems at several scales. On the other hand, if architects abdicate all but a cosmetic role; if they hide their heads in the sand regarding expert systems of all kinds; if they play the befuddled artist, eschewing business wisdom; and if they neglect to harness technology to assist them in their work and to free them to develop more humane and beautiful products; then indeed they will become inconsequential. There will always be room for the handcrafted object, but if the norm is technically sophisticated buildings, let architects be prepared to direct the process.

In P/A’s first computer issue (May 1984), we were determined to shatter the stereotyped image of computer output as “boring” and predictable, and concentrated on the computer as a design tool. This year, we compare the current situation with the predictions of doom reported in the first paragraph above, and have examined the range of ways in which architects use the computer—architects who not only learned to live with it, but benefit from it.

We found small firms that have flourished and have become more able to compete with the larger firms as a result of their new tool. We found medium-sized firms which, rather than reduce their numbers, increased the services they offer. We found firms that have expanded the limits of their design efforts because of the computer. We found architects forgetting their rivalry and sharing their knowledge. We found architects networking with other professionals to extend their field of practice. We found architects who have left the traditional profession and joined the computer industry, as their way to make a significant contribution to the field of architecture.

We looked into various ways universities are training architects for a world with computers. We asked the CAD vendors how they are meeting the needs of the changing profession. And we include, for your reference, a directory of useful books, periodicals, and conferences.

In every case, “imagination” meant more than designing a pretty façade. It meant pushing languages further, to create more subtleties as well as more standards to improve communication. It meant keeping one’s financial house in shape, the better to accomplish one’s goals. It meant examining the realities and resources of the contemporary world, and dealing with them in an enlightened way. *Susan Doubilet, Thomas Fisher*
The Traditional Office is Transformed

Architects with computers either broaden the range of services they offer, or deepen their investigation of solutions in one area.

Architects whose traditional practices have been transformed by the computer have been interviewed to see how their problem-solving skills have been applied to a variety of disciplines, some not usually associated with architects. Facilities management has turned a large profit for a small firm and helped balance the traditional side of the practice. Computerized methods have rendered a moderate-sized firm influential nationwide in hospital design. One large firm has become very efficient in production drawings, another has developed custom software for the design of complex structures, while a third is marketing its own software. Nevertheless, there is no fast buck solution for everyone. Facilities management is profitable, but requires specialized experience, not just an off-the-counter package. And software marketing has its own concomitant requirements—of transferability, broad market suitability, service, maintenance, and updating. Susan Doubilet
Over the past four years, Hellmuth, Obata & Kassabaum (HOK) of St. Louis has created its own CAD software using Digital Equipment Corporation (DEC) VAX/VMS computers and a relational database management system (INGRES) from Relational Technology, Inc. Since its first application—working drawings for the nearly completed Edison Brothers headquarters in St. Louis—the HOK system has been used on 150 projects within the firm's five offices. Last January, the firm decided to sell and service its system to other architectural firms through the HOK Computer Service Corporation (HOK/CSC).

Key to the potential success of HOK/CSC is its President, Charles Atwood, and its Vice President and Director of Product Development, Nathan Huebner. Since 1981, they have developed HOK's system from prior experience in architectural CAD, including work for SOM. In the following interview conducted by Deborah Dietzch, Atwood, Huebner and HOK Vice Chairman Jerome Sincoff discuss CAD within HOK, the firm's decision to market its system, and its ability to service it.

DD: What made you decide to market your CAD system to other firms?
Sincoff: It wasn't until last year that we started to think about it. By that time, we had used it successfully in our St. Louis, New York, Dallas, Washington, D.C., and San Francisco offices. As an architectural firm with a wide range of experience, we thought we could make a strong case for other firms to use it.

DD: How is the new CSC structured?
Atwood: From a financial and legal perspective, we are completely separate from HOK. We license software to them; they own their machines and are treated like any other client.
Huebner: We have grown from 4 to nearly 30 people in software and hardware develop-

ment, educational services, and regional marketing. Over $2.5 million has been invested in our system.

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Huebner: I don't think that there's any one thing that our system does that the rest of them don't do. I think it's a well thought-out collection of the better features of a lot of other CAD systems. It probably has the strongest command language interface available with alternative definitions for components. If you draw a chair, for instance, you get a plan and a 3-D object. We have generators for walls, contours for land planning, and other features architects need.

Atwood: Its major strength is its 3-dimensional capabilities.

Sincoff: The most compelling argument to use our software is that we've tested it here and it works.

DD: Have you tested it outside the firm?
Atwood: No, but we tested in our five branch offices, which gave us the experience of trying to support our system from a distance.

DD: Who is a potential user of your system?
Atwood: I see it being used by medium (50–100 people) and large firms. I think the only firms that wouldn't buy our software are those that have developed their own.

DD: By marketing your software, don't you feel that you're giving the competition an edge? How do you dispel the idea that by using your software, the resulting designs will look like HOK's?
Huebner: It's pretty generic software; it doesn't design like Gyo Obata. Because we've used and developed it for three years, we are ahead of firms trying it out for the first time.

DD: As a CAD vendor, how is CSC going to
service a system, train users, and update software?

Atwood: As architects, we are used to being in the service business. Our field service for hardware comes from DEC. We'll enhance our mature products such as HOK Draw and 'There's a question as to whether architecture will eventually become a part of facility management...' "

HOK Space once a year with updates and newer products more often. HOK has developed enhancements all along from recommendations by a users group representing all the firm's disciplines.

DD: How much does the system cost?

Atwood: The basic cost of a system ($35-62,000 per workstation) includes software, hardware, and customer support over the phone. We've structured the cost of training as additional so that a person who needs only two days of training isn't charged the same amount as the person who needs two weeks. With the release of the new MicroVAX this spring, we'll be able to drive our prices down below $30,000.

DD: What types of application software are you marketing?

Sincoff: We committed ourselves to design software to encompass the entire design process. HOK Draw, our 3-D graphics software, and HOK Space, our software for programming, form the basis of our thinking.

Atwood: We're working on 20 systems in varying levels of detail. One of the major decisions last year was to develop our facility management applications.

Huebner: Currently, we are marketing HOK Draw, HOK Space, Plot, Database (report format), and Invest (lease analysis). By the end of the year, we will offer six more systems, from stacking and blocking to an interface between HOK Draw and other CAD software.

DD: How has CAD changed HOK?

Sincoff: There's much more communication and coordination between disciplines that promote a real team spirit.

Atwood: The quality of drawings and level of detail have changed. The computer is a limited resource, so in the St. Louis office, we are working two six-hour shifts.

Huebner: One of the complaints from designers is that the system isn't fast enough. For production, it's a cost and quality control.

DD: How do you think traditional vendors will react to architect-defined software such as yours?

Atwood: Software firms are doing well, but the large vendors aren't. One factor is the personal computer: It's cheap, and architects already have it for accounting and specs. The hottest seller right now is Autocad that runs on the IBM-PC. But, of course, unlike HOK's 3-D capabilities, it's fairly unsophisticated.

DD: How is CAD changing the architectural profession?

Atwood: There's a question as to whether architecture will eventually become a part of facility management as a design service within the life-cycle of a building. As a reflection of this trend, HOK's work these days is less than 50 percent architecture and more concentrated on related disciplines. Architectural firms are going to have to become more diversified and the computer is helping them to do that.

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A corporate headquarters site (above) was constructed by HOK Draw for use in a video animation, a client presentation now used by HOK. The adjacency drawing (top left) is another illustration of HOK Space. The 3-D drawings (top middle and right) show how the firm’s drafting software can be manipulated from the micro level of finishes and furnishings to the macro level of an aerial perspective of downtown St. Louis.
The Stewart Design Group

Clifford Stewart, President of The Stewart Design Group, has had a long history of innovative and practical experience with CAD.

SD: Understand your architecture office is associated with American Medical International of Beverly Hills, California.

Stewart: Yes. The Stewart Design Group has been a wholly owned subsidiary of the investor-owned hospital corporation AMI since 1978. We develop prototype standards and a planning manual for each new type of hospital in which AMI becomes involved, design the first couple of examples of each type, and then review all the work done for AMI by other architects, based on our manuals. We also provide nonconflicting architectural services for other clients.

'The wheel need not be reinvented.'

SD: How has the computer helped you?

Stewart: First, AMI was interested in our office in part because of our computer expertise, which dated from the mid-1960s, as well as our hospital design experience. But most important, the computer—we now have the Graphic Horizons system—helps us in every phase of hospital design, from site planning, to space programming, to final design and production. Components we develop for one project can be stored for consideration in later projects.

SD: Is there the danger of homogeneity?

Stewart: No, because we are constantly questioning conventional wisdom. In some jobs we set up a computer at the site, and certain doctors and staff actually participate in the planning of their departments.

SD: What about interaction between other involved parties?

Stewart: The possibilities keep increasing. We have had direct communication with associates in other cities, and even more unusual is an association we may form with the Bank Building Corporation to design a magnetic imaging center in Atlanta. They have experience building branches (usually for banking, this time for medical care) and we have experience with the inner workings of a medical plant.

SD: You have mentioned that your computer experience dates back about 20 years.

Stewart: I was a partner in the Boston architecture firm Perry Dean & Stewart, and we designed a number of hospitals, schools, and university buildings. We often had to do or redo master plans, a time-consuming and error-prone activity, and we decided to harness the number-crunching computer at the Harvard Smithsonian Institution. By this time, Ivan Sutherland had succeeded in doing drawings on MIT's computer, and Digital Equipment Corporation brought out a new machine, the PDP15, aimed at graphics. So we acquired the machine for $120,000 and Eric Tscholz (p. 155) was enlisted to head up a team to develop a system. The system was used by Perry Dean & Stewart, who received a number of U.S. Army commissions because of it, and it was also available to other purchasers. The Veterans Administration bought one; one was sold in England, in Switzerland, and in Australia, but at $290,000 it was too expensive, too early, to interest architects. In 1974 I left the firm and, as the only interested partner, took the computers, but at that time I realized that a new generation of hardware and a new approach to software was on its way, and waited to update my system. In 1981, I served as consultant for the new computer firm Graphic Horizons. And that brings us to our setup today, with eight systems in-house, three at remote locations; at $60,000 apiece, we have a very affordable situation.

In designing a hospital (a part of a computer-produced drawing is shown at right), the computer assists in all phases. Space programming, a formidable job when done manually, can incorporate weighted relationships between spaces and departments. Individual spaces can be designed, assembled, and a number of design alternatives studied. Rooms, from operating rooms to junior closets, are stored, with their necessary equipment and dimensions, in a database for future use, so that, as Stewart says, "the wheel need not be reinvented each time."
Over the course of eight years, architect Ronald Ryan of Red Bank, N.J., has built up a diversified practice with divisions in interior design, facilities planning and management, computer services, and architecture. A year and a half ago, Dr. Jeffrey Harkness joined The Ryan Group to head up its Software Development Corporation. More recently, Ryan brought a 25-year-old architectural firm—Leo Kornblath Associates of New York—into the fold. The latest addition to TRG's stable is a limousine service that makes profitable runs to Atlantic City when not shuttling from Red Bank to satellite offices in New York.

Ryan: We first got into CAD in 1982 while doing facilities planning for Merrill Lynch. We discovered very quickly that there was very little software available in facilities management, and absolutely nothing written that worked on our system (PRIME). We saw a market out there that was totally untapped, and we were lucky enough to have a client like Merrill Lynch that gave us the opportunity to test our programs in the field. Every drawing we've done for Merrill is on the system and can be accessible at any time. We don't take things off and archive them. We are also doing some very innovative things in such areas as cable management. If that resource is not managed properly, you can't reuse it. When traders move—and they move often—they take equipment with them. The old "system" was simply to cut an unused cable and abandon it, then run another for the next guy. Eventually, a couple of years ago, all the risers at One Liberty Plaza had to be purged, which cost Merrill millions. The idea now is to manage up front, tracking every single cable in the building.

Our present contract with Merrill is broken up into three areas: facilities planning, communications, and building maintenance. Our services—providing as-built drawings, the equipment, and all the resources including new programs—will cost them 60 cents per square foot per year. At the end of the three-year contract, they own the whole system. We've very conservatively estimated that without even trying to maximize the system, they'll save $10 million a year in the management of their new headquarters at the World Financial Center in New York. By computerizing and handling building maintenance in-house, they can save $4–6 million a year on a $17 million budget.

DDB: Have you sold the software you've developed to other clients as well?

Ryan: We've marketed it to other corporate clients, yes. That angle of the business is only a year old. Of course, facilities management is only one part of our practice. Granted it's the most dynamic part. It's also enabled us to bring up the purely architectural end of the business. That is much harder to do because you're in a traditional market; you're up against the biggest firms in the state and the country. When clients ask us how many corporate headquarters we've done, we've had to say none; but now we can say we manage them and we know how they work. We'll design your corporate facility from the inside out, not from the outside in.

Harkness: Our software development arm is working on improving our facilities management package. We're also trying to develop a comprehensive building materials/pricing package for use by developers.

Ronald Ryan first got into computers out of frustration with traditional practice, and traditional architects. "You can't get good draftsmen these days," says he. "I had CAD capabilities (left, in a space-planning project for Merrill Lynch) before I had word processing." Dr. Harkness, head of TRG's Software Development Corporation, adds, "The point is to put intelligence into the drawing and maintain it."
Swanke Hayden Connell Architects

SHCA, New York, is known in the architectural CAD community for its very effective and imaginative use of computers, especially in its combination of a variety of systems for different processes, and its integrated use of reprographic techniques first implemented a number of years ago. To take advantage of the efficiency and profitability of facilities management on CAD, the architects have set up a new company called Monitor. Associate Bradley Meade discusses the firm's use of computers.

SD: How do you use your computers?
Meade: We have each machine do what it does best. We have 48 operators—almost all of them architects or designers—working in three shifts on 16 Calcomp computers, doing architectural and interior design and production drawings, as well as graphic work for midtown zoning. Two people alternate at our one Micad workstation, doing detailing and developing furniture standards. We have 150 full- and part-time people with access to our 60 Microdata stations to do programming, stacking and blocking diagrams, document retrieval, purchase orders, specifications, accounting, depreciation schedules, facilities management, and midtown zoning. Eight people do word processing at our eight NBI stations. We also have three reprographics centers in-house, run by outside vendors who are invited to bid for the contract on an updated system every 1 1/2 years. We may become a Beta test site for laser plotters. Smaller systems are installed in our Washington and Chicago offices, and they communicate with the New York office via telephone lines. Five of our clients, such as American Express and Salomon Brothers, are planning to plug into the system.

SD: Where are the efficiencies significant?
Meade: The data from a client interview can be used directly in developing the architectural program by our own team, eliminating the need for outside consultants. The very process that develops the program is almost simultaneously beginning to solve the design, and working drawings and details begin to be generated even as the design is being worked out. The process is not traditionally linear—stages overlap. Time is saved, and for our clients, time is money. Basic to the system are libraries of components, "intelligent" symbols copied to produce a space plan from which purchase orders (error free!) are generated directly. Even our details are organized as assemblages of storable components. Specifications are automated, so that we need only one spec writer. Implicit in the system, and the greatest source of saved time, is the lack of redrawing: Many of the drawing layers become fixed and are carried through the entire process.

SD: Is the system most efficient in one area?
Meade: Definitely. Our work is divided fairly evenly between architecture and interior design, but our computer work is far more efficient for interiors.

'Shift work is mandatory ... but management controls are crucial.'

SD: Where are the bottlenecks in the system?
Meade: If client approval is needed to proceed from a completed stage to the next one, and it is 10 o'clock at night, the work flow is diverted. Shift work is mandatory if maximum efficiency is to be achieved, but management controls are crucial. The weekend shift is 30 hours long, and if three people are given the wrong information on Friday, three work-weeks would be wasted by Monday morning.

The bar at left, as well as that overleaf (p. 147), show layers of drawings executed on the computer. Because many layers become fixed, redrawing time is saved.
The diagram below sets out, in principle, the various systems used at SHCA. The firm now has: in New York, 16 Calcomp computers for architectural and interior design and production drawings, 60 Microdata stations for programming, stacking, and blocking diagrams, purchase orders, specs, accounting, facilities management, and other uses, one Micad workstation for detailing, eight NBI word processors, and three reprographic centers in-house. The Washington and Chicago offices have smaller systems, tied by telephone lines.

Not illustrated here, but also developed at SHCA, are programs to handle Manhattan's midtown zoning code. The firm hired a mathematician to solve the otherwise extremely time-consuming problem of the allowable building boundary on any midtown Manhattan site. As Principal John Barrie explains, the firm is now trying to prove to the city that the computer documentation is sufficient, even without all the drawings normally required.
shown above are some of the various drawings produced with the help of Swanke Hayden Connell's computers. Clockwise from the top left are: a wall section detail developed on the Micad (details are organized as assemblages of storable components); a furniture plan of offices in a major building at the World Financial Center, produced on the Calcomp; a space allocation chart produced on the Microdata; and a blocking diagram of a Seaport Plaza floor, also developed on the Microdata.
How has the computer changed the practice of engineering? What can engineers do now that they could not have done before? We asked those questions of two firms: Skidmore, Owings & Merrill and FTL Associates. Both, while very different in size and specialty, use the computer to design highly complex, indeterminate structures—some of them too difficult to model or calculate any other way. As shown in the following interviews with Todd Dalland, Ross Dalland, and Nicholas Goldsmith of FTL and Hal Iyengar, Mark Evans, Mark Anderson, Ray Clark, Doug Stoker, and Nick Wein­garten of SOM, engineering with the computer will never be the same.

FTL Associates

TF: You are a small firm that specializes in the design of fabric structures. How do you use computers to design, and how does that differ from the way most firms use computers?

T. Dalland: Like most design consulting firms, our most powerful tools in the earliest stages of design are not computers, but rather tracing paper, physical models, and technical experience. Where we use the computer is in the design development and working drawing phases. We measure such things as the fabric surface curvature, the ridge and catenary radii, and the support point coordinates on the physical model and enter that data into the computer. What the computer does best is to optimize the design: finding the minimum surface, equalizing stresses, finding unbalanced loads, or calculating the worst loading situation on every support member. As we refine the design, we go back and forth between the physical model and the computer model a couple of times. It rarely requires more than that, since we can eliminate a lot of problems because of our experience before we even get onto the computer.

Goldsmith: It would take an extremely sophisticated computer to match the ease with which we can sketch or build study models. However, design alternatives can be quickly reviewed on a graphics monitor. The computer and physical model are complementary tools and generate different information. The monitor and plotter provide two-dimensional descriptions, much like any drawing. The close alliance between engineering and architecture in the design fabric structures, though, does make the computer an ideal analytical tool.

T. Dalland: I don’t think that we could design fabric structures economically without the computer. Prior to the Munich Olympics project, designers such as Frei Otto had to build large physical models and perform all of their calculations by hand. That process was simply too expensive for most projects. The computer has sped up the analysis of fabric structures, making their design more economical. It’s important, however, that we be consulted early in the design process. Too often, architects involve us so late in their development that we have a difficult time, even with the computer, to realize both a high degree of design quality and building economy.

TF: How does your computer analysis work?

R. Dalland: Once we have entered the position of every lift and tack point from the physical model, the computer finds the optimum fabric curvature and analyzes the forces at each joint under different loading conditions: wind loads, snow loads, surface pressures. Once we’ve minimized the stresses and amount of material, we use the computer to calculate the best placement of seams, to dimension each fabric panel, and to draw the two-dimensional shape. We’re also develop-
ing a library of cable, mast, and connection
details for the computer.

**T. Dalland:** Those panel drawings ultimately
serve as shop drawings. The manufacturer

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will tell us the shrinkage factor for its particu-
lar fabric and the computer compensates for
that shrinkage in the dimensioning of each
panel. The fabricators then cut their fabric
directly from those shop drawings, which is
probably the closest any building-related in-
dustry has come to linking computer-aided
design and computer-aided manufacturing.
At some point in the future, we'll probably
just exchange computer discs with manufac-
turers, and skip the step of printing the panel
drawings altogether.

**Goldsmith:** The ease with which we can
analyze and manipulate minimum surface
structures on the computer forces us to ques-
tion the long-held belief that organic build-
ing forms are irrational or intuitive—or that
they come out of a hand-craft tradition. The
computer shows that they can be rationally
understood, that they have a definite formal
order, and that they are easily translated into
two-dimensional drawings. The computer
not only makes the analysis of fabric struc-
tures easier. It changes how we conceive
these structures.

**T. Dalland:** The computer is a great help
wherever the building's structure is a driving
force, as in high-rise buildings. But there is
probably no other structure that has ben-
etized as much from the computer as fabric
structures. The computer has made them,
for the first time, a viable option for ordinary
buildings.

The border on these two pages is a
detail of a triangulated fabric pattern
generated on the computer. The op-
timization of fabric panels and
shapes makes the computer an ideal
tool in the design of fabric structures.
The computer's translation of those
optimized shapes and patterns into
two-dimensional drawings for use in
cutting the fabric also may make
fabric structures one of the first build-
ing technologies to bridge the gap
between computer-aided design and
computer-aided manufacturing.

Entering support and connection
details (above) onto the computer is
the next step toward that end.

The Florida National Pavilion
(above left) is an outdoor concert
facility in Jacksonville. The computer
was used in shading studies (below)
as well as in optimizing the fabric
shape, analyzing hurricane-force
wind loading, developing fabric
patterns, and generating cutting
patterns. Other issues, such as acous-
tics, lighting, and viewing angles,
were more easily studied using physi-
cal models.
**SOM**

**TF:** How have computers affected your design and analysis, particularly of tall buildings?

**Iyengar:** In the 1960s, most engineers used only a few types of structural systems, applied over and over again in a cookbook approach. They depended upon judgment and experience to complement calculations done by hand.

With computers, we have been able to home in on the actual behavior of structures—on particular load flow mechanisms or system combinations—allowing us to look at buildings in new ways. For instance, we used to analyze tubular steel structures as a series of planes. Now we can do a three-dimensional analysis on the computer to see how the structure works as a unit. That not only lets us better understand the behavior of tube structures under various conditions, it lets us manipulate them, varying column spacings, clustering tubes, or changing the tubes' shapes. What the computer gives us is more freedom of thought and a greater flexibility in form-making.

The computer, of course, can give us too much freedom. One of the last papers Fazlur Khan delivered was on the rise and fall of structural logic. The computer is such a powerful tool that it can make us undisciplined by allowing us to make the most illogical structure work.

**Evans:** SOM's One Magnificent Mile project in Chicago is an example of a building that probably wouldn't have been done prior to the computer. It has clustered hexagonal tubes, a sheared-off top, skewed columns, and flat-slab construction. The behavior of a structure that irregular isn't accessible by any standard analytical methods. The use of the computer and finite element analysis let us know exactly how large to make each component in the structure and exactly how each part would behave. What we could only have guessed at before, we now know for certain. That accuracy not only lets us design highly complex structures; it lets us design very efficient structures, without a lot of excess steel or concrete.

The computer also saves us a lot of time. We've developed software to do shear lag plots for buildings, for instance. It used to take us two days to do the necessary calculations; it now takes us two hours. Where the computer offers the most help is in the design of unusual shapes, tall structures, or buildings that must resist such things as earthquakes.

**TF:** Why don't you use computers for schematic design?

**Iyengar:** The computer has yet to replace the pencil and paper in the conceptualization of a design. It's not just that the available software isn't flexible enough. It's also that computer graphics terminals are simply not as convenient and as portable as a pencil and paper.

Where the computer has had an enormous impact on design is in the design development phase. It lets us analyze so many issues so rapidly that the architect can immediately see the effect a particular shape or orientation might have on, say, the building's structure, energy use, and wind loading. The computer thus allows engineering factors to be considered as an integral part of the design process, rather than after the fact. It also encourages the interaction of many more disciplines in the initial design of a building. That interaction at such an early stage among architects and engineers was never really possible before the computer.

**Clark:** In the mechanical and electrical disciplines, we've developed software that, given a particular schematic design, can calculate the required air volume at any diffuser and...
automatically perform a pressure analysis, size the ducts, calculate the electrical power requirements, and select equipment from product files. The computer also lets us perform the normally time-consuming DOE 2 energy analysis so quickly that we do it routinely as just one more input in the design process.

Anticipating future needs becomes much easier with the computer as well. For example, we don't know what a typical office building's power needs will be in ten years. Some people think that it will double from three watts per square foot to six or eight watts. Others think that computers will eventually have battery power, greatly reducing our present power demand. With the computer, we can run projections to see what the design implications of both scenarios might be. We can then design the building to accommodate both options.

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The software that we've developed to date has focused on the separate needs of each discipline in the firms. What we're moving toward is a totally integrated database linking the various disciplines. We're also working on software that not only checks for interferences among the various systems in a building, but that automatically corrects the conflict, resizing a duct or moving a plumbing line, for example.

TF: Why does SOM write most of its own software and not market it?

Stoker: We write our own software because most of what's available on the market simply doesn't meet our needs. Many CAD vendors still think in terms of automated drafting. Weingarten: It also lets us tailor the programs. Unlike the software available from most vendors, which is system pushed, our software is user pulled—responding to specific problems faced in specific projects. The software is better because of that.

Stoker: The reason why we don't sell our software is that we are an architectural firm, not a software house. The hard part in selling software is not in writing the programs but in providing their ongoing maintenance. An architectural firm just isn't set up to provide that kind of service.

TF: Would you recommend that other firms write their own software?

Stoker: No. If we were starting from scratch now, I don't think we'd do it. But SOM is big enough and has enough invested in custom software to justify our continuing.

You have to make a distinction between CAD and other types of computer uses. We use some of the commercially available spreadsheet programs for microcomputers. Those programs let you ask all kinds of "what if" questions crucial to running a firm. They're inexpensive and hard to improve upon.

TF: What impact have computers had on the firm?

Stoker: Microcomputers have had the biggest impact on the management of the firm. The CAD system has not had much impact on the productivity of people; several studies have shown that you're lucky if you break even with a big CAD system or if you achieve an improvement in productivity. The real gain has been in improving our product and our services. That alone has made it worth the investment.
These images indicate the range of capabilities of the software written by SOM. The firm's structural engineers can study the deflection of a structure three-dimensionally (top left) to see how it might behave in an earthquake, for example, and the mechanical engineers can rapidly estimate energy usage given the shape and orientation of a proposed building (top right). Those capabilities allow, to a degree never before possible, the input of engineering considerations in schematic design.

By storing and presenting information in three-dimensional form, the computer can give a much clearer picture of how a building behaves. The three-dimensional daylighting diagram (bottom left) is an example of that. The shadow projection from One Magnificent Mile (bottom right) was used to convince zoning officials that the building would not prevent the sun from reaching the nearby beach. The program that generated the shadows was written in one day for the zoning presentation, a responsiveness made possible by having programmers in-house.
New Careers

Computers offer new career paths for architecturally educated people. The design methods and problem-solving skills of the architect are directly applicable to the design of software.

With record numbers of architecture students in school (far more than the profession can absorb), with architects' compensation (and employees' salaries) among the lowest of all professions, and with architects (as opposed to engineers) receiving a declining percentage of all design fees, it's time to consider the alternatives to traditional practice. Computers offer some lucrative options.

These interviews are with architects, or people with architectural educations, who have pursued those options, becoming computer consultants, software designers, or principals of computer companies or service bureaus. They are all involved in architecture in some way: advising architects on system design, writing architecture-oriented software, even running a practice. More than that, their work reveals a certain architectural sensibility, be it in the way they think about the design of systems and software or in the way they define and solve computer problems.

What their example shows is that there are many applications of the architect's problem-solving skills and many outlets for the architect's creativity, beyond that of designing buildings. Thomas Fisher
Charles Eastman, an architect who from 1967 to 1982 was Professor of Computer Science, Architecture, and Urban Affairs and Director of the CAD Graphics Lab at Carnegie-Mellon University, set up his own computer company, Formative Technologies, Inc. (FORMTEK) in January of 1983.

SD: You are an important member of the architectural CAD community in research, education, and now industry. How did you get involved in the field?
Eastman: As a graduate architecture student at the University of California, Berkeley, taking some computer training, studying with Christopher Alexander, I realized that I could develop a significant role in architecture in one of two ways—by assuming a technical position on large projects, or by working my way up through a traditional practice. I set out on the first route in the early 1960s, found computers fascinating, and was invited to join Carnegie-Mellon’s faculty in 1967.

SD: Your product is expensive and not likely to attract the small architecture office. It also does not have three-dimensional capabilities. At what market are you aiming, and why?
Eastman: At one time I and others thought that 3-D and solids modeling were going to produce the big payoff. But the final document in the A/E industry is the 2-D drawing, and currently in the marketplace 75 percent of all CAD systems are used for drafting. While I aimed to penetrate this market, I knew that it is a mature area and that I had to either offer a lower priced product, or deal with problems as yet unsolved. I did the latter by providing the ability to scan and then manipulate large-scale drawings, so that

companies with reams of existing drawings of facilities needing rehabilitation could do so easily. Utility companies, for example, are important customers.

SD: What are your long-range plans?
Eastman: We are looking not only at the design phase, but at managing the lifecycle of the whole facility. I also feel that one of the challenges ahead is to be able to manage the entire building process in the computer—not possible today because of data-base limitations.

‘The ideas of people from various disciplines . . . will be integrated.’

SD: I understand you are developing two of your own languages. Why?
Eastman: The standard languages are insufficient for large-scale modeling and for managing concurrent uses. In the future, we intend to provide the ability to develop more intelligent models of facilities with more complex relationships, and accommodate automatic recognition of flaws in, say, energy and structural loads. The ideas of people from various disciplines, working in a network, will be integrated in a foolproof way.

SD: What do you see as the environmental benefits of computers in architecture?
Eastman: It would be a shame, in fact it would be devastating, if architects did not take this tool and the freedom it gives them to direct their talents to a broader range of issues—better streets, better mass housing, better prefab systems.
Eric Teicholz, computer consultant to CAD vendors and large companies, publisher of CAD books and reports, and chairman of numerous seminars and conferences, discusses how the computer has affected his career, and how it will affect the profession.

SD: You are trained as an architect, I believe. How did you get involved with computers?
Teicholz: I was a Harvard Graduate School of Design student in the 1960s, when Ivan Sutherland was developing new graphic tools at M.I.T. I took a course to learn about them, wrote programs to simplify the drudgery of drafting and laying out perspectives, and did a thesis on automatic design for housing. After graduating, I set up Design Systems, Inc., with Perry Dean & Stewart as our major client (p. 143), and in the 1970s, returned to Harvard as an Associate Professor and Associate Director of the Laboratory for Computer Graphics. Two years ago, the industry went berserk: the country was forced architects into acquiring machines ... and there were also many horror stories of architects getting automated for the wrong reasons and with bad results. At that time, I left Harvard to set up my own consulting business in Cambridge, Graphic Systems, Inc., to get closer to the real world and to design itself.

SD: What form does your consulting business take?
Teicholz: I consult both directly to companies—though less and less to individual architecture firms—and through publications. We recently acquired Design Com-

padata and have published the 1985 version in a useful form (see p. 173). We have published the results of a survey, The Current State of Design Automation, and through McGraw-Hill, AIE Computer Systems Update, which we plan to update regularly. We also publish reports. We consult directly to vendors, institutions such as the AIA, and end users such as design/build firms who carry a data base through the entire process of programming, design, construction, facilities management, and leasing.

SD: What about PCs for architects?
Teicholz: For the new, more powerful machines such as the IBM PC/AT, the large companies such as Auto-trol, Computervision, and IBM are developing a wide range of design and production software, which will in turn permit these workstations to be integrated into larger systems. By the end of the year, over 90 percent of design firms will have PCs.

‘Productivity will double overall ...’

SD: Will architectural services change?
Teicholz: Yes. More design will be worked out three-dimensionally, and design will be closely tracked by cost analysis. The fee structure will change, with more time allocated to explore alternatives. The client will take a more active role in the allocation of spaces. Construction drawing production will become automated. Productivity will double overall, quadruple for drafting, and increase even more for facilities management and tenant improvement.

SD: Can you discuss the strengths of various vendors’ architectural products?
Teicholz: There are the old established firms that have added capabilities to meet the AEC market, such as Computervision, Calcomp, Intergraph, and Auto-trol, the latter three depending on the A/E segment as their largest user base; and those that were strong in engineering and added architectural needs, such as McAuto, Prime, and Intergraph. In contrast, there are the newer companies, such as SKOK, FORMTEK, and Graphic Horizons, that have newer techniques, less overhead, and friendly, cost effective products developed specifically for the architectural market, but that are more vulnerable. Graphic Horizons has good graphics and is easy to use, with numerous windows permitting simultaneous tasks. FORMTEK is a well-designed system with a wealth of applications software aiming at the larger firm. Computervision has the broadest applications, and is developing architectural products for the PC. Prime, with its Medusa graphics system, has excellent 3-D modeling. SKOK’s 2-D drafting system is fast and well designed.

SD: Will the increase in productivity throw architects—especially young ones—out of work?
Teicholz: The structure of architectural services will change, as I mentioned earlier. Furthermore, not every aspect of the practice, and not every architecture firm, will be automated. As to the young architects, those with computer knowledge will be in demand in firms.

SD: They can also become consultants, like you. But as computers become second nature, the role will fade away.
Teicholz: Undoubtedly. But by then, I too will be somewhere else.
Aeck Associates, an architecture firm in Atlanta, established a CAD service bureau, CADDSHARE Corporation, about three years ago. Tony Aeck and CADDSHARE head Michael Bufkin discuss the history, relationship, and plans of the two firms.

JM: How did you first get involved with computers? 
Aeck: For about a decade now, we have been demonstrating our abhorrence of reinventing wheels. Not too remarkably, in the mid-1970s the firm went to computers for accounting. Perhaps a bit more unusual was our purchase of a 15-foot-long graphic arts camera and our wholehearted plunge into color overlay drafting and offset printing.

In 1977 and 1978, a commission for 23 buildings for the Armed Forces Signal Center of Saudi Arabia kept the office hopping. Finishing the design phase, our relatively small (20-person) firm faced the fact that construction documents would force a doubling of staff, or some other drastic measures. However, projected workloads did not appear to justify a doubling of staff, or some other drastic measures. Hence, our decision to form an in-house service bureau to manage its own space.

Within about 18 months, the system proved incapable of keeping up with our desire to link data and graphics on a large space-planning job. We had been doing some service bureau drafting for John Portman & Associates, and saw a possibility of upgrading the system if Portman would commit to two stations for three years. That contract was signed in March 1982. This was the rudimentary beginning of a new venture for us. We had our feet wet but we could then see what else was out there. The firm’s technological expertise in computer graphics had reached, I believe, impressive levels; our shortage was in data management.

JM: How did you solve the imbalance? 
Aeck: Michael Bufkin, with a comprehensive range of engineering and data management experience, was hired. Initially an Aeck employee, he was, by agreement, to found the new entity. In August 1982, CADDSHARE Corporation came into existence.

Lockheed, an ongoing space-planning client for Aeck, took our suggestion to put a workstation in-house to manage its own space. With the addition of architects Nix Mann & Associates, the system was again at capacity—two stations each at Aeck and Portman, and one each at Lockheed and Nix Mann. Another hardware update was needed as architects Stevens & Wilkinson signed on. The move up to the largest minicomputer available, expandable in modules, required a nerve-wracking juggling of new and renewal contracts against the inevitable purchase order. Any one retreating party would cripple the procedure; there were none.

 JM: Where did you go from there? 
Bufkin: CADDSHARE’s next client was a food service consultant with ties to some of our architectural clients. Another client requested drawings for printed circuit boards, and was willing to pay for software development. We welcomed the opportunity for this intense database-related activity. Also joining the growing client list was a granite supplier seeking shop drawing help. Originally an Aeck contract, an agreement with Prudential for space management was turned over to CADDSHARE when it was determined to be more data-based than architectural. Taking advantage of more appropriate technology, this program was transferred to a stand-alone PC.

‘We stress time-sharing and facility management.’

Aeck: Our motivation was not to start a whole new business, but to bring the firm’s power up to what was then the state of the art. For Michael, of course, a new entity was the goal. We both find the separation into discrete organizations as positive, and essential.

Bufkin: We have an “arm’s-length” relationship: CADDSHARE bills its time to Aeck, and Tony bills CADDSHARE for his consultation.

JM: How do you market your services? 
Bufkin: Two barriers to marketing service bureau capabilities stand out most prominently. First is the lack of a financial frame of reference for potential clients. Aeck: It requires a leap of faith for them
to accept that costs are reasonable. In addition, a service bureau is finding itself increasingly in competition with systems manufacturers because it is an alternative to purchasing equipment. Joint selling, once a common advantage, is disappearing. The precedent for CADDSHARE ownership and leasing of equipment has already been set, with Lockheed, and might be expanded upon.

Bufkin: There has been an almost total lack of CADDSHARE marketing to date. Some direct mail has produced little result; contacts have been a major source of clients, and our substantial growth.

Aeck: The foundations for this venture were key. Overlay drafting and word processing were valuable lead-ins to computer involvement. We weren't trying to be all things to all people, to be the biggest. We stress timesharing and the facilities management capability. We feel that FM is the most promising thing on our horizon. CADDSHARE's staff training and software generation abilities also rank high. I find CAD both productive and a great marketing force. First choice will always be a quality architectural firm, but unless that option also brings CAD with it, loss of commissions will mount for reluctant firms. All of the experience to date has been worth the effort, and I endorse the concept for other firms.

JM: Have your priorities changed?

Aeck: By concentrating the computer involvement—now a given—in CADDSHARE, I find I can return an emphasis to design. We may have allowed the technology to become the end rather than the means. I now hope to prove that good design is the end of some very important means.
The Computer Aided Design Group (CADG) is a software company founded six and a half years ago by three architects. The company markets facilities management software that is notable for its expandability and for the support the company gives it in the form of training sessions, procedural manuals, and instructional software. Also notable are the number of architects in the company (about half of its workforce) and the apparent ease with which they’ve adapted to their nontraditional role. The following comments are excerpts from conversations with three of the company’s principals—Ched Reeder, Jeff Hamer, and Thomas Kvan—all of whom have an architectural education.

**TF:** What links do you see between designing buildings and software?

**Kvan:** An architect takes a vague statement, defines the problem, develops a model, evaluates the solution, writes detailed specs, supervises construction, evaluates the results, and signs off on it. We go through the same steps in developing software. The problem-solving methods that we learned in architecture school are entirely appropriate for this work.

**Hamer:** It does help knowing how to program. But, out of 22 people here, only 5 actually write code. The rest are involved in marketing or project management or system design—all of which are activities that go on in an architectural office.

**TF:** What adjustments have you had to make in becoming software designers?

**Kvan:** You first have to rid yourself of the architect’s ego and shed all the delusions of grandeur that get embedded in you in school. Designing software is just as satisfying, but it’s a more abstract exercise than creating a building.

**Reeder:** You also have to pay more attention to how the finished product is used. Architects rarely stay involved with their buildings once completed. The software designer spends a lot of time at the tail end of the process, maintaining and enhancing the product.

‘Vendors are looking for architects at all levels.’

**TF:** Do you see computer consulting or software design as a career path architecture graduates should consider?

**Kvan:** Being a consultant to architects isn’t a very lucrative field. Architecture is a relatively poor industry, so you can’t charge a lot. Computer vendors, however, are looking for architects at all levels, from sales to customer support to software applications.

**Reeder:** The architect in that setting can act as a bridge between the users and the coders of software. Architects are well suited to that role, acting as a bridge between owners and contractors.

**Kvan:** We just have to broaden our idea of what it means to be an architect and what it is we do. The computer has shown us that architecture has nothing to do with pushing a pencil.

**Reeder:** What’s left for the architect after computerization is not the production of drawings or the memorization of facts, but the solving of problems. The profession must establish in the public mind the value of those decision-making skills.
Here is no lack of information about computers for architects. Newsletters such as the A/E Systems Report and the S. Klein Newsletter, seminars such as those held during the annual A/E Systems show, and magazines such as Computers for Design & Construction are among several sources of information on the subject.

What is often lacking is discourse on the meaning of computers for architects. What do they bode for the future of the profession? What ethical issues do they raise? What impact will they have on architectural education? In many ways, this entire issue is a response to the first question. The following interviews address the second and third.

For instance, the Association for Computers in Design promulgates not just a newsletter and seminars but ethical standards that all of its members are expected to uphold. And universities (of which UCLA and the University of Houston are but two examples) have begun to reevaluate the role of the computer in their curricula. Those are positive developments, for they advance not just information but understanding, not just the applications but the implications of the computer. Thomas Fisher
Many architectural schools now offer courses in computer-aided design, although they are not all alike. They differ not only in their research agenda (See P/A, May 1984, pp. 154–158), but in their very teaching methods. Some schools teach architectural students how to program computers, others just teach students how to operate the machines. Some schools avoid research grants from computer vendors, others work closely with vendors in the enhancement of software. Some schools approach computers at a conceptual level, others emphasize the practical applications and benefits.

Representing two different approaches to the teaching of computer-aided design are the architecture schools at UCLA and The University of Houston. Speaking for UCLA is Professor William Mitchell; for the University of Houston, Professor Elizabeth Bollinger.

The University of Houston

TF: The school has a grant from Prime Computer Company to enhance its software for architects. How did that come about and how have students been involved in that enhancement work?

Bollinger: Prime wanted to better tailor its Medusa software package to the needs of architects, so it gave the school a grant and equipment to help develop architectural enhancements. The school of architecture shares the maintenance of the equipment with the university’s facilities planning department, giving students experience not only in the building of symbol libraries and other enhancements for Prime, but in working with the facilities management department on its projects.

TF: The architecture school seems very practice oriented.

Bollinger: That’s true. We try to foster links between the school and local practitioners. For instance, we’ve begun continuing education classes in computers for local architects; the technology changes so quickly that practicing architects often have a difficult time keeping up.

Students who have studied computers here have had considerable success finding jobs in area firms, often as the manager of the computer system. The firms still look at a graduate’s architectural skills first, but the computer experience has become a definite advantage when a decision must be made between two otherwise equal candidates.

Some students have also served in consulting capacities while still in school. For example, a large homebuilder in Austin gave us a grant to help better utilize the CAD system. Students developed new menus and new cost estimating and database programs. It was good experience for the students, one of whom was eventually hired as the manager of the system.

TF: Do you teach the students how to program, and does the design faculty use computers in the studios?

Bollinger: We don’t require that the students learn how to program. Our goal is to familiarize the students with the computer and to get them to explore its use as a design tool, not just a drafting machine.

The integration of the computer into the studios is happening gradually. Many faculty members are interested, although integrating design and technical subjects in the studio is always difficult. It will take better design-oriented software for that integration to occur.

Computers won’t be what we want unless we get the word back to the vendors. Certainly one advantage of working as closely with a vendor as we do with Prime is that we can act as messenger and communicate the architectural profession’s real needs.

TF: Are there issues that the vendors don’t communicate to architects?

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Bollinger: I’ve seen vendors, probably in an attempt to reduce the apparent cost of a system, not advise architects of the peripheral equipment needed to make the system work. One architect even had a computer and no printer, making the entire system worthless.

Some vendors also oversell the productivity gains possible with a computer. Managers often have great expectations of increased productivity, only to be disappointed when it takes almost a year for employees using CAD systems to return to the productivity level they had when manually drafting. After that, productivity can skyrocket, but management must be prepared to wait.

TF: What changes in the architecture schools do you see occurring because of computers?

Bollinger: It’s only a matter of time before the computer is totally integrated into every school’s curriculum. As students come to the school more familiar with the computer, introductory courses on how to use computers will probably disappear. For students in the design studios, I think that the computer won’t change what they do as much as how far along in the design process they can go. The full effect of the computer, though, is really anyone’s guess.
The student projects (below) were generated on the architecture school’s Prime computer system. The line drawings (by Carolyn Aderholt, George Redford, Akai Yang, and Roland Mu) were part of an exercise exploring some of the capabilities of the computer, such as the rapid repetition of identical elements and the flipping of symmetrical halves. The color images (by Robert Delgado, Mark Jacob, and Suzanne Simpson) show student design projects done on the computer.
UCLA

TF: What approach do you take in teaching computers at UCLA?

Mitchell: We teach all of the students who take the computer courses how to program. I think that one of the best ways to truly understand a building is not just to draw it, but to be able to write a computer program that describes it. Students can learn a lot about the composition of buildings by thinking about them computationally. I'm convinced that the way to become computer literate is to understand how to program rigorously. It's as important as learning how to draw before you can design.

The emphasis at UCLA is on the computer as a design medium. We're much less concerned about teaching the technical details of a computer than in getting students to understand its conceptual aspects, to explore how it might illuminate architecture in ways that would not otherwise be possible.

It's wrong to think of the computer as simply automating manual drawing methods. Just as photography imitated painting before we understood what made the new medium unique, so computer-aided design continues to imitate hand-drafting. It hasn't matured as a separate medium. That will take time, and the efforts of a few good designers who take an interest in it, in the profound intellectual and aesthetic issues it raises.

TF: What are some of the characteristics of the medium that make it unique?

Mitchell: For one, the computer allows the instantaneous transformation of a motif or design idea. Last spring, Charles Moore and I jointly taught a studio in which we explored that approach. We asked students to write simple, interactive Pascal programs that accepted, as input values, critical dimensions of some architectural motif, such as a column or window type. By changing the values, the students could rapidly explore several variants of the motif. The programs generated results that were often startling and unexpected. It would have been nearly impossible to do so many variations any other way.

Color, as well as geometry, can be explored in this way. Recently, we implemented software for performing hue, saturation, and brightness transformations for multicolored objects. This allows rapid exploration of variants of a color scheme, and fine-tuning of color relationships, in a way that would be quite impossible using conventional media such as paint or colored paper.

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TF: Do you work closely with any vendor?

Mitchell: No. We think that it's important, especially in a university, to take an independent, critical stance. We want no strings attached from industry.

We welcome vendor support, however. We're in the process of acquiring and installing a major new system in the architecture school so that we can greatly increase our teaching activities. It will have a central IBM 4361 processor, four Computervision workstations, a variety of other graphic displays, and a network of IBM PCs and AT's.

TF: You've spoken before about the possibility that computers may eliminate many of the traditional entry-level drafting jobs for architecture graduates and about the need for architecture schools to model themselves more along the lines of medical schools with their own internship programs. Would you expand upon those ideas?

Mitchell: Captive within UCLA's graduate school of architecture is the Urban Innovations Group, a nonprofit organization in which faculty members supervise students working on real projects. Up to now, very little of UIG's work has been done on computers, although it would be interesting to see how students would use computers in that setting. After all, the real value of a computer is not as an expensive pen, but as decision-making tool. The conceptual orientation of the students in the Urban Innovations Group would certainly test that idea.

TF: Do you see the Urban Innovations Group as a model for other schools?

Mitchell: Few schools have pursued the idea, in part because it is expensive and inefficient, and because of the high turnover of graduating students. But as computer operators replace architectural graduates in entry-level jobs, the schools must find ways of better preparing students to take higher level, decision-making positions upon graduation. While it wasn't founded with that in mind, the Urban Innovations Group is one model, placing within the school some of the supervised practical experience that used to occur in offices. The computer is changing traditional roles, and the architecture school, like the architecture firm, must adapt.

The schools, however, should do more than just prepare students for practice. They should set standards and push the boundaries of the technology. Right now, the computer vendors are way behind the researchers. But the technology is way ahead of anyone's ability to use it.
The drawings of columns (bottom) are all variations on a design by Charles Jencks. Generated rapidly from a program written by John Heile, the column series shows how the computer allows the study of design options that would be too time-consuming to generate any other way. The computer also allows the study of color variations and combinations too subtle or time-consuming to do by hand as shown in the computer images (below) by Takuzi Kaneho and Jeffrey Kho.
ACD

Some say that the computer isolates people, that our interaction with the machine reduces our interaction with each other. But the evidence is just the opposite as associations of computer users continue to arise. Educators who teach computers in architecture schools have formed a group called Acadia. And architects who use computers in their practice have formed local groups, such as the AE Computer Task Force in Northern Ohio. Even an international computer association specifically for design professionals has been formed. It was founded two years ago by four architects: Allen Lungo, Franc Caggiano, Jeff Hamer, and Don Fullenwider, and it's called the Association for Computers in Design (ACD). Its president is Don Fullenwider, an architect who heads the Fullenwider Consulting Group in Santa Monica, Calif.

TF: What led to the founding of ACD?

Fullenwider: We realized that no national forum existed for design professionals who use computers. Educators had Acadia, and AIA members had the AIA computer committee, but that left out large numbers of design professionals and computer vendors.

We wanted to give people, who are often competing against each other in the marketplace, a means of discussing issues of common concern. The association has a bimonthly newsletter for airing different views. In the last newsletter, for example, I wrote an editorial about computer vendors claiming to serve the A/E/C market. Architects, engineers, and contractors have such different needs that companies claiming to serve all of them probably don't serve any of them as well as they could. I'm sure that I'll get some comments on that from our members who are vendors, but I think it shows the kind of discussion ACD wants to encourage. The association also organizes quarterly lectures, and also takes positions on particular issues, such as the need for computer industry standards. I think that we can do a lot further that cause by just getting the computer vendors who are members of the association to sit down and discuss standards.

‘Firms . . . must computerize if they are going to compete.’

Another important step that we just took was approving a code of ethics that deals with such issues as copying software or lying about system capabilities. That's really the first time an industry-wide code of conduct has been defined.

Our short-term goal is to increase membership and to broaden the leadership of the association beyond that of its founding members. Our long-term goals include developing new computer curricula for design professionals and encouraging greater standardization and compatibility among computer systems.

TF: Why is there such interest among architects in sharing computer information?

Fullenwider: Many architects are scared to death. Firms that have not computerized are beginning to lose work, so they realize that they must computerize if they are going to compete. They also recognize that choosing the wrong system can be costly. Switching vendors is even more expensive. So there is a lot of incentive for architects to share information and discuss their experiences.

TF: Does increasing productivity crop up in many of the discussions?

Fullenwider: A basic principle of service sector production is that new technology does not save time; work always fills the time allotted. A computer can help architects better serve their clients, make fewer mistakes, and improve their product, but it has little effect on productivity.

That doesn't mean that architects should wait to purchase computers. An argument could be made for every architect to have a personal computer right now; there are at least sixty applications of the computer in an architect's office (CAD being the most expensive and the most difficult to make work). If firms wait until prices drop or the definitive computer emerges, they may not be in business when it comes time to make the decision. Firms that have made the commitment to computers, however flawed their initial decisions, will be the ones with the experience to compete.
How do CAD vendors plan to meet the changing CAD needs of architecture offices?

No one has been running harder to figure out how architects work, and what they need in computers, than the vendors. To tap their amassed expertise, P/A editors interviewed employees of some of the important vendors: Intergraph, Prime, Compuervision, and IBM, who together control over 55 percent of the architectural CAD market, according to DARATECH, Inc., Cambridge, Mass., as well as SKOK, a young firm devoted to architecture customers, which aims to make a big dent in the market. Overall, they see the need for: smaller and more affordable stand-alone workstations (AutoCAD's financial success with the PC has been duly noted); more standardization of databases; more applications programs, the better to assist architects in providing more services; and better management in architectural offices. And everyone is jumping onto the Facilities Management bandwagon. By the way, quite a few of these companies' employees are architects, who adjusted happily to the fact of the computer by making career changes. Susan Doubilet
Computervision
The CAD/CAM pioneer of the 1970s, Computervision last year announced a broad range of new tools for architects and engineers, and this year is introducing, among other products, software packages for the IBM PC AT and XT. Despite the business difficulties the company is experiencing, it has some exciting new projects. Discussing the company's plans and their perspectives on the field are Otto Buchholz, Marketing Manager for Architectural Products, and David E. Owens, Director of Worldwide Marketing.

SD: How do you see computers affecting the practice of architecture?
Buchholz: Clients will begin to expect more intelligent buildings. Life-cycle costing will allow the owner to evaluate the benefits of a costlier mechanical system, for example, at the outset. With the computer, architects can take on the shop drawing process, integrating what is now a separate process. Facilities management, a process poorly handled up to now, can be handled efficiently by the computer within the architect's domain.

SD: Are you introducing any new products this year?
Owens: I'm glad you asked that. We recently began marketing our Spaceplan 3000, an interactive space-planning package. But our most exciting piece of news, to be announced at A/E Systems '85, is our development of a range of software available for the new IBM PCs—the XT and the stronger AT.

SD: A great number of architects will be delighted to hear that news. What will it include?
Buchholz: The initial four-piece architectural design software package will provide for office management, specifications writing, and CAD for the design process and document production. With the necessary basic hardware it will sell for about $30,000, less if fewer software pieces are taken.

SD: Where are the drawbacks?
Buchholz: Certainly there are limitations in speed, integration, memory, and type of rendering possible. It is single-task oriented, so the different pieces of software are taken off and put on as needed.

Owens: But while each workstation has stand-alone capability, it can network fully with higher level Computervision products. The PC package, then, becomes a good training tool from which to move up the line.

SD: Then it sounds like an excellent marketing tool for you. Are you not afraid that many architects will be disappointed in the stand-alone capacity, and feel conned?

'... a range of software is now available for the IBM PCs.'

Buchholz: No, and we've certainly considered that aspect carefully. We feel that it is an extremely useful tool, and that the aforementioned limitations are acceptable, given the price.

SD: I am sure it will cause quite a stir. How will you sell it?
Owens: Distributors, including Charrette stores, have made arrangements to sell the software with the IBM PC.

Prime Computer
Since about a year ago, Prime Computer has had joint world-wide marketing and development rights, with Computervision, to the powerful CAD software package Medusa, to which it had limited marketing rights since 1981. Among the developments of use to architects, as discussed by Marketing Manager Larry Dannenberg and Marketing Specialists Bob Thomson and Mark Pipas, are organizational systems for symbol libraries based on industry standards, and new menu formats.

SD: How will computers affect architectural practice?
Dannenberg: In space planning and facilities management, architects will gain the ability to sidestep the developer and come closer to the end user, by expanding into services that historically the developer has dealt with. If architects are wise, they will retain control of the databases.

Pipas: And real estate contracts will have to deal with the database problem. It will become all the more important that IGES (Initial Graphics Exchange Standards) achieve its goal of formulating a neutral file format, so that data generated from any of the diverse computer systems can be handled by other systems.

SD: What tools are being developed specifically for the architectural profession?
Pipas: Architects need to assemble information from many disciplines. We provide organizational systems for symbol libraries, which must be based on industry standards, spanning all disciplines. The various automated functions, not only CAD, must work on the same computer. We provide a new menu format for different drawing types. All symbols, and all applications, appear on flipover cards adjacent to the computer keyboard. A large number of layers are provided for. Bays can be irregular, wall types can vary, and so on. The library of text fonts is scalable, and the spacing of text is proportional, so that text can be plotted full-scale and shipped directly to the fabricator—a boon to architects providing graphic design services. Areas can be calculated, hierarchical relationships established, and components, for example furniture, can be attached to rooms, useful for facility management.

Dannenberg: Our 2-D drawings are used to
Shepherd + Boyd USA, with John Britton Architects, with Philip Johnson, are architects for the Crescent in Dallas, Texas (Pl/A, Feb. 1984, p. 66), whose client is a joint venture of Phillip W. Shepherd and a consolidated subsidiary of The Rosewood Corporation. With a CAD system from Computervision, Shepherd + Boyd produced complete sets of high-quality drawings of the $140 million project, though some one-of-a-kind details were executed by hand. The computer was also used in the design phase to study three alternatives. CAD facilitated the drawing of the curved building, helped solve the parking layouts, and helped—through the use of 3-D capabilities—to isolate and study the odd-angled intersections of major steel beams, and design the appropriate gusset plates and weld connections. The architects also laid out the ceiling patterns on the computer, as well as the details of the hotel. Space planning and facilities management will be automated. For marketing purposes, a 30-foot-long by 6-foot-high model (shown here) on a hydraulic lift was built in the leasing office.
generate real 3-D solid models—not merely surface painted ones—and this process is unique in the field.

‘Flexibility, and tailorability, are important to architects.’

SD: Where do you see the place of PCs in the architecture office?
Dannenberg: PCs will replace single use components, for example word processing, spreadsheets, charts. But we don’t see PC/CAD making important inroads. We have not put Medusa on PC. The memory and linkage is insufficient. Since an architect is a multifunctional person, integrating a range of expertise, the small system doesn’t meet his needs well. The architectural office needs a system that can allow multiple users.

SKOK
Young Englishman David Skok founded SKOK Computers in South Africa in 1978, following pressure from architects to sell a CAD offshoot of the successful CADCAM system he had developed for his family-owned machine tool operation. By 1983 his system accounted for more than 60 percent of South Africa’s architectural CAD market, and Skok moved his headquarters to Cambridge, Mass., hoping one of these days to equal his success, in terms of percentage, with American architects. An interview with Skok and company Executive Vice President Nicolas Story confirmed that their business focus is, and will continue to be, architects. And while neither Skok nor Story is an architect, 28 percent of their employees are.

SD: How do you woo architectural clients?
Skok: We have consulted architects about their needs constantly, and have welcomed their consulting us. For this reason we located our offices in Cambridge rather than on Route 128. And our conclusions have been twofold: We must develop more design-oriented CAD systems, and we must provide low-cost systems since 85 percent of architectural offices have fewer than 15 professionals and are not capital intensive.

SD: Have you new products?
Story: Yes. At A/E Systems ’85 we will be introducing new applications software, for site planning and structural and electrical uses, among others, as well as new database templates for facilities management.

‘One thing is certain—architects must learn more about financial management.’

SD: How do you see the profession changing?
Skok: The structure of the firm will change. Communication is key, among architects and other professionals. Networking is critical, and all information will be centralized in one place in the office. The tool will also allow the well-organized smaller office to compete with larger firms, as has happened, for example, to one of our users, Urs Gauchat. Architects will be forced to produce databases, and some firms will follow up with facilities management; if they don’t—and it is certainly not clear that many will—others will step into the breach.

Story: One thing is certain—architects must learn more about financial management. The computer gives them the tool, but as an unfamiliar capital expenditure it also forces them to look upon money matters more carefully.

Intergraph
Eric Tirrell, Intergraph’s Marketing Manager of Building Design Products, points out that his company has been a leading CAD vendor to architects, both in the number of systems it has installed and in the length of time (about four years) it has been developing products specifically for the architectural market.

SD: Over your relatively long history of involvement with architects, have you noticed changes in the practice of that profession as a result of computers?
Tirrell: Certainly. CAD technology is starting to standardize the way people practice: They’re using the same symbology, and organizing their offices in similar ways. Even more significant is the way compatible hardware and software is now linking firms. We’re seeing networks of owners, architects, engineers, and designers passing information back and forth. For the Hospital Corporation of America, for example, six architecture and engineering firms with Intergraph systems are now linked by communication lines.

SD: What are some of your recent or upcoming product developments?
Tirrell: We very recently acquired Rand Micis software for interactive structural analysis to augment our existing design and documentation capabilities. We will be introducing an HVAC package at A/E Systems’85 which will support APEC software and, eventually, Trane Corporation analysis software. We also have a new program that generates specifications directly from drawing sets.
It is almost certain that IBM will become the standard for microcomputer software. If IBM becomes the standard for graphics software as well, CADAM—IBM's graphics system—will be center stage. The following interview with CADAM marketing people—Linda Tasker Tighe, Randall Kroha, and Richard Bennett—explains the company's strategy.

**TF:** How did CADAM become IBM's graphics software?

**Tighe:** CADAM began as Lockheed's in-house graphics system. In 1978, when Lockheed decided that it needed a partner to market CADAM to a wider audience and IBM decided that it needed better graphics software, the two companies joined forces. Lockheed still owns CADAM, but IBM markets the software.

**TF:** What is the market for CADAM and do you see that changing in the future?

**Tighe:** Since CADAM is primarily a facilities management system meant to run on IBM mainframe computers, its market has generally been companies with millions of square feet to manage, although a few large architectural firms use the system. The advantage of a mainframe-based system over those that depend upon micro or minicomputers is its ability to handle much more data, to support more CAD terminals, and to run cumbersome batch operations with greater speed.

**Kroha:** We're about to release a new system, called Personal CADAM, aimed at smaller architectural and engineering firms. It will operate on less expensive, stand-alone workstations, although it will be compatible with and operate much like CADAM.

**Tighe:** We're not trying to reach the very small, one- or two-person firms. We see the real market for Personal CADAM among firms with say 20, 30, or 40 people—firms that can't afford a mainframe but who need more than existing microcomputer software.

**TF:** What impact do you see the computer having on the architectural profession?

**Tighe:** It will bring dramatic changes. The computer will enable architects to broaden the services they can offer clients just as it has for banks. In the foreseeable future, some architects may be earning only 50 percent of their fee in the traditional manner. The other 50 percent might come from such things as facilities programming and management or graphics work, some of it nonarchitectural in nature. The computer will also affect code procedures. Most planning and zoning commissions eventually will have a model of their cities on the computer for use in judging a new building's compliance with codes, for instance, or in studying the effect a building's shadows or wind patterns have on adjacent buildings.

**Computers don't bode well for the small firm.**

**Bennett:** The structure of the architectural profession will also be affected by the computer. The profession is a cottage industry: it's labor intensive with a lot of personal involvement in its product. Because the computer requires a fairly sizable capital investment, it's going to force the profession to become more businesslike and probably force architecture firms to become larger and more diversified. I don't think computers bode well for the small firm.

We've developed Personal CADAM to help smaller firms get into areas such as facilities management. While we see the distinction between workstations and microcomputers disappearing, we've designed Personal CADAM to run on stand-alone workstations that most smaller firms can afford. Let's put it this way: they can't afford not to afford them.

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**Different views of a Computer Museum proposed for Toronto's waterfront were evaluated (left) on SKOK's system.**

**Severa1 phases in a hospital design by Payette & Associates—including massing, perspectives, plans, and site plans—were studied on SKOK's computers (left).**
Views of midtown Manhattan (above) were developed by SKOK for display in the Knoll showroom, New York, during Designers Saturday '84.
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Tips from Borkovich

George Borkovich, principal of A/E Systems, gives advice on getting and using computers.

• Start by appointing one individual, who should solicit input of those involved.
• Establish priorities: What areas require help, when and how? Don’t get inappropriately seduced by, say, graphics capabilities.
• Look for new opportunities to apply your system.
• In the final selection on the system, Page Highfill from Richmond, Va., offers the following checkpoints: Is the computer among the top four in sales, so that a wide range of software will be available for it? What software does the manufacturer offer, and what outside software is compatible? What is the availability of local sales and service? What is your stockbroker’s opinion of the company? What extra features are available for future add-ons?
• If possible, contact an independent A/E consultant.
• Get vendor promises in written form.
• Involve your firm’s CEO in the decision.
• Don’t take too long in deciding. You can wait forever for new technology, as there’s always something new.
• Be sure to bill for computer service—it is not just overhead.
• Expect the financial payback within 1½ to two years.
• Consider the options to buying: leasing; renting/financing for eventual buying; buying rebuilt, warranted used equipment (brokers are springing up).
• It is wise to consider using decisionmakers, rather than computer specialists, at the terminals.
• What to pay people with computer experience? Generally, these people can expect higher pay (technical industries and computer vendors can offer higher salaries, and this can be a sore point in a firm).
• Where to get experienced people? If necessary, pirate them from other firms. Or set up a training program, looking for enthusiastic staff members.
• Expect hidden costs: service, training, supplies, additional software packages.
• Don’t computerize everything. Some operations are better done manually, such as one-time applications.
• Have a backup plan for when equipment breaks down; have a second piece, or arrange for a replacement from the dealer.
• Be wary about selling your own software. Do you know about testing, marketing?
P/A Fifth Annual International Furniture Competition

Conceptual strength versus production potential is the issue this year, regardless of stylistic trends or preferences.

You can take the "conceptual" out of the competition, but can you take the competition out of the conceptual? That is the question in this year's International Furniture Competition, which drew 920 entries from 33 countries.

After an initial three years of increasingly theoretical submissions, P/A decided (as of last year's competition) to drop the word "conceptual" from the program's title, a move that appeared to produce a greater proportion of "real," production-oriented pieces among last year's winners. This year's group, however, seems to signal a swing back toward the conceptual: Even the pieces that are technically sophisticated or stylistically conservative are clearly intended as one-off or limited-edition designs, and are more concerned with embodying an idea than serving a utilitarian purpose or reaching a large market. A good example is that of lighting, which is, admittedly, always the most difficult category in technical terms. But the winning lights are conceived as sculptures or constructions. And while the jury considered every entry for materials and craft, the idea behind the design came first: That was what consistently attracted jurors of divergent philosophies to such disparate objects as the meticulously crafted desk that juxtaposed a high-tech metal structure with a Classical façade, and a table made from a folded dollar bill.

The competition is just five years old and while it has thus far generated less than we had hoped in terms of actual furniture production, it continues to produce an annual crop of provocative ideas—one of the premises on which the competition was founded in the first place. Pilar Viladas
Thomas Hall Beeby, a partner in Hammond Beeby & Babka Architects, Chicago, Illinois, has designed furniture and is incoming dean of Yale's School of Architecture.

Perry A. King is a partner in the office of Perry A. King and Santiago Miranda, Milan, Italy. The firm specializes in product and interior design, including lighting and furniture.

Richard Saul Wurman is an architect, author, and editor based in Los Angeles, California. He is also the founder of Access Press Ltd., which has published guidebooks on a variety of cities and subjects.

Charles Gwathmey, a partner in the New York firm of Gwathmey Siegel & Associates Architects has, with his partner, Robert Siegel, designed both contract and residential furniture and accessories.

Richard Schultz, an industrial and furniture designer based in Barto, Pennsylvania, has designed furniture for numerous major manufacturers in the U.S. and abroad.

**General jury comments**

**Gwathmey:** I think the whole level of the submissions was better than last year's. . . . There was more variety, . . . less Post-Modernism, and more integration and consolidation of the classic and the new. And that, compared to last year, was refreshing, and gave the jury the opportunity to choose disparate and unique pieces on their own terms.

**Beeby:** There were the conceptual things versus the real things. . . . But I think if you made a well-constructed, beautifully finished piece that wasn't wildly conceptual, it wouldn't stand a chance—which may be okay.

**Schultz:** But there were some real things that we gave awards to.

**Beeby:** They weren't production things, though.

**Schultz:** But they are built furniture. . . . The craft of making furniture is terribly important, especially if you're going to make a number of pieces, but it's really very hard to judge these pieces on that basis. Probably the most interesting pieces here are those that are the most dubious in terms of craft.

**Beeby:** If you look at this group of objects that we've selected . . . in terms of solving problems or dealing with functional needs, they're not really strong, any of them.

**Schultz:** I think that's the history of this competition, almost.

**King:** A lot of entries were on a fairly high level, but there was not as much radical free-thinking as I would have liked. A lot of people fell into established styles, which was disappointing. I was disappointed in the lighting entries, which didn't tackle the technical problems of illuminating spaces at all. I was pleased with the decorative furniture, but disappointed with the office furniture, especially those pieces that had to handle technical requirements such as computers. I liked the presentations; obviously, people went to a lot of trouble with them.

**Wurman:** My fantasy was that there would be two or three things that had what I call "of course"—the quality that makes me wish I had come up with it myself. Some were very well done, but there were no revelations about the performance of interiors. The essence of interiors is looking at the art of performance. For instance, I'm not interested in lamps as much as I'm interested in lighting. . . . But one wants the designs to perform artfully, not just functionally.
Armoire

Chris A. Gazso
Chicago, Illinois

Project: An armoire that measures 84 inches high, 50 inches wide, and 24 inches deep, constructed of lacquered plywood, glass, and metal, and colored gray, cream, and charcoal. The design represents ornament as a result of the incidental interior arrangement behind the “proper” façade.

Jury comments
Beeby: It seems to be a well-made, well-proportioned thing. It has a kind of variety within the very rigidity of it. . . . Look at how the doors open up.
King: Very elegant.
Gwathmey: This is . . . compelling on every level, both as a graphic and a color, and as a set of options within a construct; the variations that have to do with the use and flexibility literally make the graphic.
Schultz: I think this is typical of what I want to see in design, where the graphic element really comes from function. You could divide this up differently, but it is really pleasing to find something that looks as it functions.
Beeby: As you use it, it gets richer. Although there’s little indication of that when it’s closed, when you open it up it gets more and more interesting.
Desk

Rory McCarthy
Kevin Kearney
Bob Mick
Tucson, Arizona

Project: A desk, 84 inches long, 36 inches wide, 30 inches high, and colored matte black. It is made of aluminum, steel tube, perforated stainless steel, rubber, and glass, and is equipped with LED time, date, temperature displays, and weather radio. The desk is ornamented with a Classical façade model of white oak, also colored black. The design is an attempt to fuse technology and Classicism, with grace and harmony.

Jury comments
Gwathmey: It's the decorated frame.
Wurman: It's an honest decorated frame.
Gwathmey: Isn't the real comment that 20th-Century technology and quartz clocks and all this kind of stuff can't ever be discreetly disposed in the Classical model, and so you integrate the two and make a comment on both?
Beeby: But actually, this is relatively pure, and makes no attempt to transform either;
both languages are left intact. I think it's a very powerful juxtaposition from the front to the back. It's a very sophisticated combination of two disparate parts, and I think it works. It would be fun, almost like sitting at a doll house.
Schultz: What he's completely eliminated is the idea that anyone sit in front of the desk. There's no slide-out front, or anything you could possibly utilize in any kind of functional way. First of all, you're going to get your feet all over the steps... but I don't know if you can ask that kind of question about a design like this.
King: I like, too, that celebration he's done on the sides with the tie rods.
Project: A stool, designed for use in a small boutique, but which can also be used in residential and commercial settings. The stool, which measures 18 inches high, 19¾ inches wide, and 15¾ inches deep, is made of stained bird’s-eye maple veneer inlaid with ebony; the seat is covered with black wool sateen, although other fabrics can be used. The form of the legs is abstracted from the anthropomorphic forms of early furniture designs.

Jury comments
Schultz: I like it because it doesn’t reproduce any particular style. It seems like period furniture, but I don’t know what period, and that’s nice.
King: Is it yesterday, perhaps?
Beeby: Or tomorrow—who knows?
Wurman: I think it’s a pleasant footstool, and I say that not because I think it’s important. It doesn’t try to carve out risky areas . . . but what it tries to solve, it does very well, very pleasantly.
Gwathmey: The seat is very resolved . . . It’s also interesting that it’s frontal. It has a front and sides.
King: It’s by far the best . . . in proportions.
Project: A music stand of polished brass and acrylic glazing. The stand's shaft is adjustable to 60 inches in height; its base is 14 inches in diameter; and the music tray is 20 inches wide and 12 inches high at its center. The design is harmonious with the ceremonial tradition of classical music and its performance environment, while at the same time respecting the functional requirements of the musician.

Jury comments
Schultz: It's one of the best things I've seen.
Gwathmey: You could put a bulb in it and make a lamp, and it would be better than most of the lamps we've seen.
Schultz: It's beautifully made in the detailing... it's just very nicely put together... I like the music lines going across [the tray].
King: Maybe the base is a little weak... But the upper portion is absolutely beautiful... that's a very elegant object.
Gwathmey: And it doesn't have to be a music stand. You could have a little drawing there; you could put a flower on it. I mean it is, on its own terms, an object.
Desk

Sava Cvek
Michael King
Newton, Massachusetts

Project: A desk of mahogany, measuring 78 inches long, 36 inches wide, and 28 inches high. The design is based on the premise that a working desk is a place where creating is like building a bridge between elements of reality.

Jury comments
Schultz: I've seen this before, but as a kind of translation of a Classical piece, I think it works reasonably well. It's very elegant, and it seems to be well made.
Wurman: I don't understand why there are no drawers in it.
Gwathmey: It doesn't accommodate anything. As an image, though, it's compelling.
Beeby: The argument for this piece is that it is a known Classical idiom for a particular design language, and it is very skillful in the way it transforms that language. The use of the round piece as a hinge, and the bridge/arch as an expression of spanning, is quite successful.
Schultz: I might like to see that cylinder not of wood, but of another material... It's like a load-bearing thing; it refers back to bridges, which are mounted on rollers because there is movement there.
Gwathmey: That's what transformation is... you don't talk about the literalness of it but the intention of it.
King: Are these policies enough to justify a place in an international furniture design competition?
Wurman: It says that it's a working desk, but it's a table, not a desk... Those pedestals, for the size they are, should have something in them.
Beeby: Still, I think as a piece of design, it's very skillful.
Chair

Jeanine Centuori
New York, New York

Project: A plywood chair, measuring 60 inches high, 30 inches wide, 4 inches thick, and painted gray. The chair is created by elements that fold out from two planes. In the closed position, it is a flat plane that can be easily stored. When the two planes are opened, it becomes a partition. When the back and seat are in place, it becomes a chair.

Jury comments
Schultz: It's really a wing chair, isn't it?
Wurman: But it's also something like a screen. I can think of doing even more of them and making a screen.
Schultz: Yes, but imagine using it... It's a very upright posture... I like the idea but it should have been done on a lounge posture. This is too upright.
Wurman: I really think it's very architectural. It makes a space; it's a screen. You can sit in it... it's like a throne. Even the geometry shows how it's made.
King: And when you're not using it, you can put it away.
Banker's Table

Jessica Silverstein
Chicago, Illinois

Project: A dollar bill was folded into a table; it may be unfolded back into a dollar. The bill was never cut, torn, or altered. At \(\frac{1}{3}\) inch = one foot, the table would measure 37 inches square and 32 inches high, and would be made of coated paper stock.

Jury comments
Schultz: This is one of my favorites... my problem is, how do you lithograph... the image?
Gwathmey: It gives off a very secure feeling. Money and tradition, right?
Beeby: I admire the purity of the process of actually folding up the dollar bill.
Wurman: It's really beautifully done.
Schultz: Yes, but I'm so involved in the craft of making furniture that it's a hangup with me—I just don't know how it would be made [as a conventional table]. I can see how you could lithograph a piece of material and then heat-form it... I'm not sure you could do all this folding.
Workstation

Project: A workstation, consisting of a 3-foot by 30-foot aluminum-Kevlar honeycomb work surface, supported six feet above the floor by six bicycle wheels mounted on a steel frame that also supports the seat, lighting, and information processing or drafting equipment. The work surface slides laterally past the seat, allowing various pieces of work to be laid out simultaneously. The back edge of the surface is lined with fluorescent tubes that pass through a baffle at the work position, casting light across the surface and providing ambient light. A task light is also included. The entire workstation is raised three feet on a granite plinth, with steps wrapping around two sides.

Jury comments

Wurman: This would do Burnham justice. I mean, on this he would make no little plans.
Schultz: It's a cartoonist's idea. It's incredible . . . Dada, or something.
King: It's a 30-foot-long object. It's a robot; I don't think it's a piece of furniture.
Beeby: It's a representation of design as a kind of heroic activity.
Wurman: I think this lighting doesn't make sense.
Beeby: As an image, as a poetic representation of work, it's amazing.
Light Fixture

Andrew Metter
Chicago, Illinois

Project: A light fixture of plexiglass, Mylar, galvanized steel brackets, a 40-watt tubular bulb, and chrome-plated clips. The fixture is 12 inches long, 6 inches wide, and 10 inches high. The design articulates the basic elements of the traditional light fixture: lamp; base; switch; and, especially, shade, which developed as the most important variable element. By removing it from the structure of the lamp, its true nature—that of a freestanding "screen"—could be exploited. Shades of various designs, colors, opacity, and intensity could be clipped on and off at will, with effects ranging from an opaque "eclipse" to no shade at all. The design of the shade enables it to be clipped to the backdrop or to stand on the base as a curtain. Ten shades are provided for each fixture. The lamp can also be hung by wires attached to the clips.

Jury comments
Gwathmey: I picked this...because you can change the pieces to make different lights as you hang them on the glass—a different screen or a different filter.
Beeby: The bulb isn't bright enough for a lamp.
Gwathmey: All the lamps we chose have a sort of sculptural, constructivist intention. We’re not talking about the quality of light, *per se*, but the quality of the object with the light as an integral, or supportive, part of the object.
Beeby: The idea of a lampshade that you could change all the time is an interesting reinterpretation. The clips are wonderful.
Chair

Zack McKown
New York, New York
Model: Studio Associates

Project: A metal chair, 48 inches high, 16 inches wide, and 16 inches deep. Its surfaces are painted; the back is exposed; and edges are revealed.

Jury comments
Gwathmey: This was the best image board in the whole competition. It's so clear—the connections of the three pieces and the slot in the back revealing the other dimensions. It's great.
Schultz: I agree with Charlie; this is one of the best presentations I've seen. Whether it is a good chair or not is something else... You know, you can sit on anything. Traditionally, furniture was not concerned with comfort, but now we've sort of learned how to talk about comfort. Then that takes over, and all we have left is comfortable furniture that looks funny.
Wurman: We all have some doubts about the ultimate comfort of this chair, and what materials it would be made of, and whether it would bend or give or how you'd settle into it.
Gwathmey: But the [formal] implications of it, and the various materials you could make it out of... are so compelling, it's hard to resist.
King: I really don't think the chair is as good as its presentation.
Wurman: You know the angle in here [the seat]... what really happens if you slide down in there is...
King: Is that you'd never get out.
Schultz: What I like to have happen in a chair is that it's more comfortable than it looks, because the opposite is devastating. The things that I've done that I felt best about are the ones with a formal look to them, but which are comfortable, as opposed to the things that look voluptuously comfortable and turn out to be miserable.
The Eidolon

William H. Grover, AIA
Centerbrook Architects
Essex, Connecticut

Project: A light, 80 inches high, 36 inches wide, and 14 inches deep, made of white fabric and yellow, pink, and blue neon tubes. The name "Eidolon," meant to describe an image or phantom, is derived from the Greek eidos, meaning "form" or "shape." This fixture, which is intended to be a sculptural object rather than a source of illumination, is an exploration of the effect of light and shadows cast by three linear sources, each of a different color, as diffused by the translucent fabric. The soft shadows cast by the light are edged with a tiny colored halo. Supported by almost invisible wires and filaments, the light is free to move with currents of air.

Jury comments

Beeby: It uses light in a very evocative way... where you create this sculptural piece that... creates a kind of atmosphere.

Wurman: Let me just say that I've seen so many things like it, so many lamps draped with cloth, in so many places, that I don't see the value of it. Restaurants all over Paris have napkins draped over lights.

Gwathmey: But the [neon] is the difference. Taking the neon, which is a high-powered light to begin with... and diffusing it, makes it more intense at the source and then turns it pink and purple as it goes through... The diffusion is the transformation.

Schultz: The fact that anyone could do it and that it's sort of offhand appeal to me.
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NEOCON, the international contract furnishings market and congress on environmental design, takes place June 11-14 at the Merchandise Mart in Chicago. Among the conference’s many events of interest to architects are a symposium on Modern architecture, and an "inventory of world architecture" presented by delegates from the Union of International Architects. The architectural symposium, entitled "Design: Reflecting the Cultures of the World," will explore the current state of architecture. A distinguished panel of architects from all over the world will be moderated by Design Critic Wolf von Eckardt.

Other highlights include an Architects Luncheon on Friday, June 14, where the Chicago Architectural Award will be presented to architects I.M. Pei, I.M. Pei & Partners, New York and Kenzo Tange, Kenzo Tange & Urtec, Tokyo. There also will be a series of seminars and workshops on the contract industry in the United States, focusing on individual firms and how they have affected the development and course of contract design. On opening day, Tuesday, June 11, there will be a Contract Furnishings Council luncheon.

On Tuesday evening, June 11, there will be a presentation of the winners of the State of Illinois Furniture Design Competition in the State of Illinois Center. The purpose of this competition was to design a suite of furniture for the Governor’s office.

As in past years, the showrooms in the Mart will be complemented by the displays of contract furniture manufacturers from outside the United States in the NEOCON International Pavilion at the Expocenter/Chicago.

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Wednesday, June 12

8:30 A.M. Seminar
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2:30 P.M. Workshop

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4:30 P.M. Seminar
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Friday, June 14

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"The State of the Contract Industry in the U.S. and The World," with Dale Keller, Principal, Dale Keller & Associates, New York; Frank Hammerstrom, Corporate Director, HOK Interiors Group, St. Louis; Alan Briskman, President, CEO, Environetcs International, New York; William G. Brown, Vice President/Principal, Environmental Planning & Research.

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Steelcase

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Thonet

New from Thonet is the Boppard Collection, named after Boppard on Rhein, Michael Thonet's birthplace. The bentwood chairs, designed by architect Hartmut Lohmeyer, are available in four versions.

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Ando's Opposition

Throughout the past decade, Tadao Ando has enjoyed a steadily growing recognition and reputation not only in his native Japan but also in the West. This is due primarily to the significance of his increasing number of works published widely in international journals and magazines. In addition to publications, there have been numerous exhibitions and lectures by Ando introducing his work and architectural thinking in various countries around the world. In 1982, for example, the Institute of French Architects arranged a large-scale, two-month exhibition in Paris, while Electa Moniteur simultaneously published an attractive volume on his architecture which is the most comprehensive to date and also the first in English.

Ando's debut on the American scene, however, dates back earlier, to 1978, when he participated in the IAUS exhibit in New York of "A New Wave of Japanese Architecture," which created much sensation while traveling through several large cities from the East Coast to the West. This exhibit of some eleven young architects was the first conscious and concerted demonstration of the new generation's break with the previously strong reign of the primarily technologically oriented Metabolist movement—the last stronghold of Modernism in Japan. The exhibit thus also revealed the new directions, which had begun to evolve in the early 1970s and crystallized further in the 1980s.

What surprises one in the works of these architects, beyond the large variety represented, is how far they differ, not only from the often utopian and phantasmagoric practices of the Metabolists, but also from their Post-Modernist counterparts in the West, particularly from the populist version in contemporary American architecture. In fact, these Japanese works, as in the case of a small group of recently active architects—Kazuo Shinohara, Toyo Ito, Hiroshi Hara, Itsuko Hasegawa, and others—are often expressly and deliberately in opposition to the shallow me狄iciency of populist approaches to architecture which, now more than ever, serve to mask, and so also reaffirm, the instrumental rationality and control of contemporary consumer societies and one of their ubiquitous symptoms, the fast escalating megalopolitan project.

As part of this opposition, Ando's architecture grows out of, and is guided by, a critical attitude toward both the universal techniques of an anonymous modern civilization and architecture, and also toward an indiscriminate retreat into a sentimental and nostalgic vernacular and historicism. Yet after a close examination and analysis of his designs, it becomes clear that Ando not only rejects these approaches, but also draws indirectly from both "the material conditions of modern society" and a critically deconstructed "architectonics whereby, through a "poetry of building," he intends to mediate critically between universal civilization and local culture. The first is evident in his distinctive use of reinforced concrete and glass-block walls and trabeated frames, and the second in his reinterpretation or reappropriation of the aesthetic, but by no means formal or stylistic, traditions of the Sen-no-Rikyu's teahouses and machiya and nagaya urban dwellings of the Osaka region where he lives and works.

Ando's "style" of minimalism then, following these traditions, is the outcome of the art of making, shaping, and articulating the architecture which, now more than ever, emerges from a critical approach that underlies Ando's intention to manifest, through the walls and roofs play extremely significant roles.

Through these interstices Ando introduces the essential elements and phenomena of nature. Yet, since nature for him means "not an artificial and domesticated nature, but a true nature that is capable of confronting the individual," it also means that Ando, with his designs, is determined to resist the often hedonistic and conformist cultures of contemporary societies. He notes that today the individual, following his increasingly unrestrained ambitions for the materialistic conditions of life, "enters a never-ending cycle and becomes dominated by his own excessive desires."

Ando, by means of his "minimalist" and austere designs brought about by his inquiry into, and sensitive response to, the essential meanings of everyday life, human nature, and natural phenomena—the sky, rain, snow, wind, and especially light and shadow—offers or, perhaps, provokes, an alternative mode of experience or living not unlike the one perceived and understood by way of the 17-syllable, simple yet succinct, Japanese haiku.

If we accept that poetry is always a particular use of a given language, in our case the elements of architecture, and thus it is a deviation from ordinary communication and experience, challenging the status quo of habitual or pragmatic meaning, then it is also a "defamiliarization" of a taken-for-granted reality, and a way of probing into the "life of things" as well as the prevailing human condition whereby we become not only aware of this reality and condition, but are also able to discover other modes and meanings of our existence. It is precisely this line of ontological approach that underlies Ando's intention to create "New Relations Between the Space and the Person." He also knows and proves...
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that in our age of growing instrumental rea-
song, the domination of optimized production
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lic realm, poetry and criticism are necessarily com-
plementary. The sense of poetique can-
not be evoked and cultivated without simu-
taneously being critical, without, as he says,
cutting “one wedge after another into the cir-
cumstances” of today. Therefore, the sig-
nificance of Ando’s architecture is that de-
spite, or perhaps also because of, the hard-
surfaced defensive geometry and the con-
crete, tangible architectural qualities, it is also
profundely “emotional” and deeply rooted in
the intangibles and “intuitions emerging
from experience.” Where silence and light
intersect in his spaces, these aspects of his
architecture form an inseparable entity.

The present book highlights these and
many other features of Ando’s architecture
and its way of doing it is rather convincing
indeed. Kenneth Frampton, in his short intro-
duction to the volume, focuses on “Tadao
Ando’s critical modernism” as both a dis-
course and a practice, given Ando’s acute
awareness of the present-day conditions in
Japan whereby, in reaction to these condi-
tions, he intends to preserve and reinforce the
essential human significance of architec-
ture. In the following essay “Minimalism or
Monotonicity,” Koji Taki, a leading Japanese
architectural critic, gives “a contextual an-
alysis of Tadao Ando’s method,” the partic-
ular modes and means of his operations,
especially with regard to some important charac-
teristics of the cultural and social set-
ting of his works. Ando’s articulation of ter-
ritory for the household (kate), his rhetoric
with a restricted vocabulary, and the recollec-
tion of monotonicity of traditional Japanese
architecture are pointed out as such features.
Taki’s text clarifies why and how Ando relies,
both consciously and unconsciously, on cer-
tain preferred value systems of the local cul-
ture as opposed to the “open, internationalist
vocabulary of Modernism.”

Yet, Ando’s own, selected writings in the
book shed the most light on his approach to
the realities of the contemporary urban de-
velopment, the issues of tradition, his in-
terpretation of, and distinction between, na-
ture and culture, and the aesthetic awareness
and life-styles of the Japanese people. These
writings, beyond his introduction to his ar-
chitecture and way of thinking, include some
previously published essays, and comple-
menting them, the book also features Toshio
Okamura’s “Interview with Tadao Ando,”
plus a short biography, and lists of major
exhibitions and selected bibliographies of
published articles both by, and on, Ando.

The majority of the book, however, is re-
served for the introduction of Ando’s actual
buildings and projects. There are 21 of them,
selected from the complete work, encompass-
ing some ten years by now. The list be-
gins with the Azuma Residence of 1976 in
Osaka, which made Ando’s name known for
the first time, and extends as far as the Fes-
tival building, a large shopping center in
Okinawa, completed just before this publica-
tion. The list also includes such famous proj-
ects as the Wall House (1977), the Glass-
Block House (1978), the Kojima Housing
(1981), the Koshino Residence (1981),
Ando’s own small office building (1982),
the Teahouse addition (1983) to the previously
built Soseikan or Yamaguchi Residence
(1975), and the Rokko hillside housing in
Kobe (1982). All of the buildings are
documented with ample photographs, plans,
and Ando’s unique sketches and “image”
drawings, and are also accompanied by his
descriptions and comments. By means of
these representative examples, one is able to
follow up Ando’s architectural development
from the initial small residences, through
small commercial buildings, to large-scale
complexes, and find that during the years he
has compromised neither the critical nor the
poetic aspects of his designs, but in some
cases strengthened them considerably.

This book on Tadao Ando’s architecture
is the first volume in a series of monographs
by Rizzoli, dedicated to the work of several
contemporary architects such as Rafael
Moneo, Dimitris and Susana Antonakakis,
B.V. Doshi, etc., “who have been individually
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the ‘poetics of construction’ and to particu-
lar local conditions. It is clear that this first
volume has set a very fine example for the
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