



The Chapter AGM

The Annual General Meeting will be on 24 January 2006, from 6:30pm. Herman Miller, long-time supporter of AIA London/UK will be hosting the meeting at their showroom at 149 Tottenham Court Road. Refreshments will be served, courtesy of Herman Miller.

The AGM is an excellent opportunity to mix with new and old friends in the London architecture world and find out what the Chapter has been doing in 2005 and events planned for 2006.

Michael Lischer who has been elected International Delegate to the AIA National Board to represent all overseas chapters in Washington will be at the meeting to brief the chapter issues under discussion in Washington.

It is also a chance to make nominations and vote for the 2006 Board of Directors.

Nominations for the AIA London/UK Board of Directors

The Nominations Committee headed by Lorraine King, AIA met several times during the autumn and has produced a slate of nominations for officer and board positions for the 2006 Board of Directors. Additional nominations will be taken at the Annual General Meeting, followed by a vote of the membership.

The Committee's Nominations are:

For Officers

President	Bea Sennewald (elected in 2005)
VP / President Elect	Kevin Flanagan
Secretary	Keith Millay
Treasurer	Lorranine King

For Board of Directors

Stephen Bailey	Michael Lischer
Jim Baker	David Martin
Cyril Chern	Bruce Nepp
Christopher Gaylord	Kristy Sels
Lester Korzilius	

In addition to the election the proposed new Chapter Byelaws will be tabled for discussion, and a vote. This follows a year long review to streamline chapter governance and bring it more in line with AIA National standards.



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- By Students of Architecture currently enrolled in UK Universities -

The American Institute of Architects, London/UK Chapter is pleased to announce its 12th Annual Excellence in Design Awards Programme. We believe our Awards are highly valued by architects because they confer a trans-Atlantic dimension to recognition of their achievements. Entries are sought from British-based architects, and from architects throughout the world for built projects in the UK.

In parallel with the professional awards the Chapter has chosen to recognise future talent through the Noel Hill Student Travel Awards Programme. Entries are sought from Students currently enrolled in UK universities for a portfolio of their work. Further information on the Student Awards Programme can be found at www.aiauk.org.

Critical Dates:

Submission:
by 5pm on Monday 27 February 2006

Awards Presentation:

Royal Society of Arts (RSA) on Tuesday evening 28 March 2006

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Reciprocity Update

In November of this year representatives from NCARB, AIA, and the Architects Council of Europe (ACE) signed a non-binding mutual recognition agreement. Under this agreement, registered architects will need a minimum of 14 years experience of which at least 7 will be post-licensure. US architects seeking European reciprocity would use their NCARB certificate as the basis of reciprocity.

To become legally binding this agreement will require ratification by the state boards in the U.S. and by the regulatory boards in the European Union. NCARB can not force US states to accept EU architects who are NCARB-certified under the agreement. However, NCARB will use its persuasive powers to convince its member boards to accept architects who are certified under the Agreement.

The mutual recognition agreement will be voted on by US state boards at the NCARB annual meeting in June 2006. No similar timetable has been announced by ACE with respect of the 25 EU member states boards and other entities having jurisdiction over architectural registration.

While the signing of the mutual recognition agreement is a major accomplishment, it will likely be quite some time before full and effective reciprocity is achieved.

Lester Korzilius; AIA. RIBA

Stateside News and Learning Units

The AIA has a new Senior Vice President / Chief Executive Officer – SVP/CEO. Christine McEntee will take up the reins in Washington on the first of February. Chris' background is in nursing and association administration. Her most recent post was CEO of the American College of Cardiology. She was with the ACC for seven years.

Her enthusiasm will no doubt serve the AIA well. Chris has already accepted an invitation to visit the London/UK Chapter in 2006. Chris takes over from Norman Koonzce FAIA. Norman served the Institute for eight years and guided it through difficult times leaving the AIA in a very strong position organizationally and financially.

Need Learning Units to maintain your license and AIA membership, but can't get to the Chapter's events? Try the AIA's eClassroom. Log on at <http://eclassroom.aia.org> this is organized by the AIA and offers a multitude of courses. Prices range from about US\$30 to US\$130 for a two hour course.

Michael Lischer

An eventful 2005

It has been a privilege and a pleasure to serve as the Chapter's President for 2005.

Looking back it appears, like Lake Wobegon, to have been a quiet year. Nevertheless we have provided 37 hours of excellent continuing education, held what we believe was the best-attended Summer Event, ever, and ended up the year on a solid fiscal footing. Bill Pedersen's excellent keynote lecture was well received and the annual Design Awards, Charette and "Super-Saturday" events continued to provide well-deserved interest. In addition we have written the Chapter Byelaws, which we hope, will be ratified at the AGM in January and we are pleased to have the "new" Newsletter appear quarterly.

All this happened, as is usual, because of the dedicated effort of Chapter members, some serving through their office on the Board and some providing volunteer help outside of holding office. I would like to take this opportunity to recognize a few of these individuals: Kristy Sels as the Chair of Continuing Education and Events did an outstanding job, Keith Millay's "Newsletter" is bright and cheerful, Cyril Chern, new to the Chapter, (after some years of struggle by some of us!) cut through the muddle and prepared the Chapter Byelaws and Anderson Inge saw that the Chapter remained financially stable. Thank you all, and others, not mentioned, who have contributed this year.

I would also like to thank our Sponsors, Herman Miller, Lutron, Mace, Schneider and Call Print for their continued support of the Chapter. Without their support, both fiscal and in kind, we would not be able to serve our members with the quality programmes which have become the Chapter's hallmark.

Finally, I wish the Chapter and our incoming President Bea Sennewald well and look forward to an even "quieter" year, myself.

Jim Baker

AIA London 2005 Keynote Lecture

William Pederson / KPF

The American Institute of Architects (AIA/UK) Keynote Lecture was given by William Pederson, design principal with KPF, on 15th November at the RIBA's Jarvis Hall in London. Speaking to a capacity audience, Mr Pedersen's lecture focused on the bond between building and place.

Mr Pedersen used examples of his own work over the last 35 years that varied considerably in scale and range. In each example, within the constraints imposed by the building type and client brief, a building was created that had a tangible connection to its environment. Depending on circumstances these connections could be expressed through a mixture of geometry, massing, materials, or interaction of uses.

The scale of projects ranges from literally high to low, including what will be the world's tallest building, the World Financial Centre in Shanghai, and ending in the design of a lighting fixture. In between these extremes were mid-rise buildings such as the 36-storey 333 Wacker Drive building in Chicago and the 1.3million sq. ft. World Bank headquarters in Washington DC. Other projects included low-rise university buildings and corporate headquarters.

Buildings without a detailed client brief / program, such as speculative office buildings, relied more on their form and geometry in making connection with their place. Buildings where detailed briefs existed, such as Baruch University, expressed and integrated these elements into the overall composition. Other projects, such as the IBM headquarters in Armonk combined many of these elements to relate the building to a heavily wooded site.

A lively question and answer session followed the presentation. In closing, Mr Pedersen felt that sustainability would be the biggest issue facing the architectural profession in the years to come.

Schneider GB Ltd. sponsored the event that was produced in association with the RIBA Trust.

chapter notices

Student Placements London

Jan 2006

The University of Westminster need help from practices in the London area in the last week of January (23-28 Jan 06). Third year students are seeking placements so that they can get a taste of the real world of practise. No payment is required. Arrangements are flexible if circumstances change. Any offers of help will be gratefully received. Please contact:

Rita Darch, School Secretary,
0207 911 5000 ext 3165 or
R.A.Darch@westminster.ac.uk."

Chapter Support to Kent & Canterbury

Lester Korzilius

The AIA London/UK is pleased to be supporting lecture programs at two different schools of architecture in Kent.

The Kent School of Architecture and the Canterbury School of Architecture are both in the process of scheduling interesting series of talks to take place in the remainder of this academic year.

The lectures will be an important addition to the academic experience on offer at these Schools. The programs are all the more impressive because they are entirely the result of student initiative.

Anderson Inge AIA, Chapter Treasurer, has been teaching design and structures courses at both Schools.



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AIA London/UK announces winners of this year's Student Design Charrette

22 October 2005

The top prize of this year's AIA London/UK Student design Charrette went to a team of architecture students from University College for the Creative Arts (formerly Kent Institute of Art and Design) from Canterbury. Students Aislinn Barrett, Kris Adelaide, Isi Etoni, Erica Esteves, Dimitrios Diavantsis and Maki Matsuhashi were rewarded for

their bold and original response to the brief for the design a new public space for East London. Coached by John Onken, an American architect practicing in Kingston, the team created an undulating square of green space with facilities for rock climbing and skate boarding – bringing a bit of the Alps into the heart of London.

Jury chairman Paul Finch praised the originality of the idea. "The highest tribute to a successful project is that there is no need to repeat it," he commented.

The jury, composed of architect and LSE tutor Katherine Firth, architect Cecile Brisac, Norm Krangel and sustainable design specialist Dr. Syreeta Robinson Gayle, awarded second prize to a team of students from Sheffield and Canterbury and third prize to a mixed team which included students from Oxford Brookes, the Bartlett and Bauhaus University of Weimar in Germany.

The Student Design Charrette is one of several annual events sponsored by AIA London/UK. It brings together students from universities all over the U.K. including those who are working in practices during their year out. Now in its 12th year, the charette is sponsored by CallPrint who provide free reprographic services to the students.



The Alps arrive in East London



Winning Team from University College for the Creative Arts

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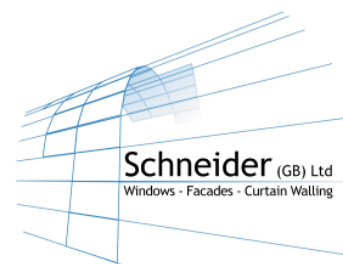


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