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AIA MICHIGAN ANNOUNCES ASSOCIATE MEMBER OF THE YEAR

June 11, 2013- Detroit, Michigan- The American Institute of Architects Michigan will honor Amanda Harrell Seyburn, Associate AIA with the Associate Member of the Year Award. The presentation will be made at the annual Design Awards ceremony on June 14 at the University of Michigan Museum of Art (UMMA) in Ann Arbor.

Amanda Harrell Seyburn joined the AIA in 2010, following the completion of her M.Arch at Andrews University School of Architecture. Since joining the AIA she has been an active member at the local, state and national level of the AIA. She is the AIA Michigan State Associate Director and a member of the AIA Michigan board. Harrell Seyburn is also the leadership of the AIAMI Center for Emerging Professional Resources and works directly with the local component Associate Directors on Associate programming and communication and strategic planning. She has served on several state committees including sponsorship, annual meeting, public relations, mentorship, and the executive director search committee. As a member of the national associates committee, Harrell Seyburn has served on communications and advocacy committees. She has traveled on behalf of the AIA to Raleigh NC, Minneapolis MN, Savannah, GA, and three times, in the last year, to Washington DC to advocate on behalf of Associate members. She has twice been a fellow panelist with AIA National President Mickey Jacob, FAIA and most recently she was a speaker at the AIAS Forum in Savannah, GA.

Harrell Seyburn has shaped a career of practice and scholarship. Her portfolio is diverse with experience ranging from single family home design to award winning masterplanning. Harrell Seyburn is a designer at Sedgewick & Ferweda Architects in Flint. She is also a faculty member at Michigan State University School of Planning, Design and Construction where she teaches and researches high performance building design. Her career is profiled in the 3rd edition, "Becoming an Architect: Careers in Design," by Lee Waldrep. Harrell Seyburn lives in East Lansing with her husband Adam.

The American Institute of Architects Michigan, headquartered in the historic Beaubien House across from the Renaissance Center in downtown Detroit, established its awards program to bring to public attention the value and importance of architectural excellence and to recognize those whose notable achievements encourage all to make excellence in architecture the standard.

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