

AIA Michigan Monday's Minutes

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Don't forget to take our current survey question of the month.

What are the top 5 things an Architect does?

We will post the results in our next newsletter.

"Every great architect is - necessarily- a great poet. He must be a great original interpreter of his time, his day, his age."

-Frank Lloyd Wright



This week I want to keep things simple with a

reminder that a key focus for April is public awareness. As part of a larger initiative, we are gathering responses from architects across the state in all types of practices to see what five things they do most often. Please take a moment to answer the poll question in the left side bar to contribute your

opinion. I will share the results when all the answers have been gathered and I look forward to seeing your answers, so thank you to everyone who has already participated and those who will participate this week!

Just a reminder to take the time to look at the AIA Repositioning Implementation Plan unveiled at AIA Grassroots 2013. Watch videos of the presentations **here**, including the AIA Manifesto. This is your chance to get involved and make a change!

Upcoming Events:

*AIA Michigan Design Awards: June 14, Ann Arbor

*AIA Michigan Educational Facilities Conference: June 17, Lansing (Kellogg Conference Center)

*Registration for the <u>AIA National Convention</u> (June 20-22nd in Denver, CO) is open on the AIA National <u>website</u>. On the website you can build your own itinerary (<u>here</u>), and <u>hotel information</u> is available as well. We have secured a hotel block at the <u>Magnolia</u> <u>Hotel</u>, please contact <u>aiami@aiami.com</u> if you are interested.

*The annual Mid Summer Conference is August 8-11, 2013! Join us with the AGC of Michigan for this wonderful event on Mackinac Island.

What Does AIA National Actually Do?

Not many of AIA National undertakings and activities are clearly communicated and filtered to the state and local levels, leaving component chapters to wonder what AIA National does with all the dues AIA National collects each year! In order to better communicate what AIA National does to our membership, we will feature a category from the *2012 Accomplishments* publication AIA National released at AIA National Grassroots in March.

This week we are featuring the *Serving Society* category, which has three main focus areas:

Pro Bono: Public Architecture and the AIA signed a Memorandum of Understanding to support pro bono design and encourage AIA



members to pledge to "The 1%", a nationwide program of Public architecture that challenges architecture and design firms to commit a minimum of 1% of their time to pro bono service. Public Architecture released the first in a series of case studies highlighting AIA members' participation and launched a landing page on the 1% website promoting the partnership.

Leadership: The AIA and Architecture for Humanity (AFH) partnered to help communities respond and rebuild following disasters, including developing resources so more architects can utilize their skills in disaster response environments and better serve as leaders in their communities.

Resiliency: AFH and the AIA announced \$10,000 Disaster Response Plan Grants to five organizations to implement their locally driven preparedness project as part of the AIA Disaster Resiliency and Recovery Program, which coordinates the organizations' advocacy, education, and training to help architects make effective contributions to communities preparing for, responding to, and rebuilding after disaster.

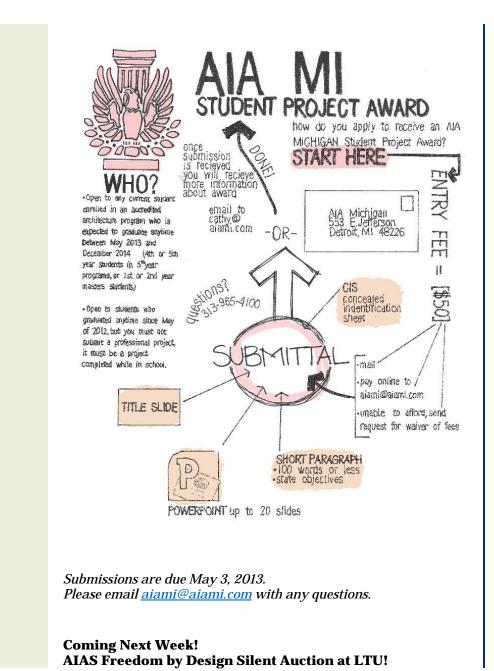
To read the complete AIA National *2013 Accomplishments* publication, click <u>here</u>.

Registration Is Now Open!



For more information and to register, click here.

AIA Michigan Design Awards: Student Project Award Category Submissions Due May 3rd!





Call For Committee Volunteers

Openings are now available for volunteers to assist with Honor Awards, Education, Design Retreat and Annual Meeting Day! If you are interested in becoming involved with any of these committees, please call the office (313.965.4100) or contact Evelyn at <u>evelyn@aiami.com</u>.

Redesigning Detroit: A New Vision for an Iconic Site



Opportunity Detroit's international design competition has opened registration for a signature project for the historic Hudson's Department Store site. Opportunity Detroit is hosting a free, open call for architects, designers, planners, artists, and community members

to present ideas for innovative, creative, and inspired designs for the future use of one of the city's most beloved locations.

The competition seeks proposals that: demonstrate original architecture and design concepts, present an innovative vision for

the site, incorporate space for significant retail activity at ground level, provide a creative response to the site's urban context particularly as a signature project in downtown Detroit.

The registration deadline is April 30, 2013; for more details, including prize and registration information, click <u>here</u>.



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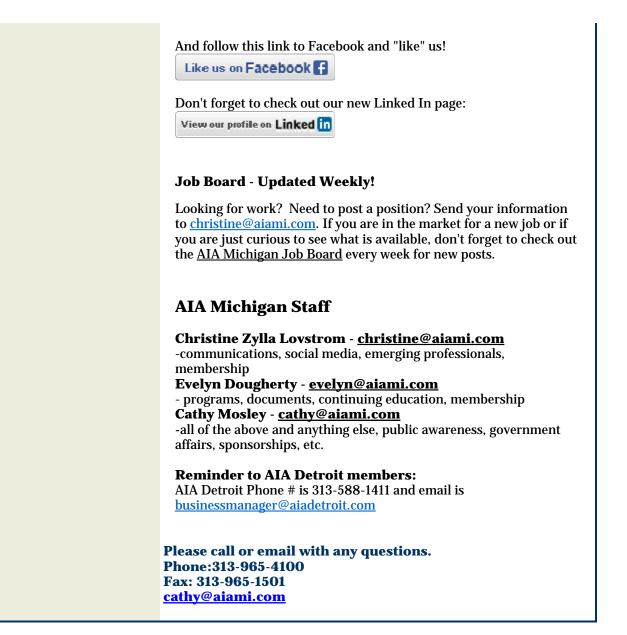


Chapter Reminder: Send us your 2013 Calendars!

Please send your 2013 calendar of events to <u>christine@aiami.com</u>. We would like to get them all on one main calendar next year. The calendar is on the front of the website and is also listed in all of our pulications. We will also promote your events in our Newsletter or Monday Minutes. We need to hear from you!

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