AIA Michigan Monday's Minutes

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Happy Monday!

On Friday, I attended the Placemaking in Michigan meeting in Lansing. At the meeting, Tamara Burns, AIA and I presented to the Michigan Placemaking Committee to become a part of the state committee with Tamara as our official representative. I feel strongly that the design community can contribute to this

initiative and that AIA Michigan should be a part of the conversation shaping our state.

Placemaking is essentially creating a "sense of place" and involves many aspects of our lives, including housing, transportation, and historic preservation. Our state needs revitalizing so we need to look at we can do to create thriving spaces in our communities, both at the state and the local levels. If you would like to get involved in this initiative, please contact me (cathy@aiami.com) and be sure to look at the Michigan Placemaking website for more information.

In event news, be sure to register for the upcoming "Tiger Tailgate" event! Meet fellow AIA members at the DAC to tailgate before the evening game against the Cleveland Indians on Friday, August 30th. We hope you will start your weekend off right with your fellow AIA members, so be sure to register on the website today!

Don't forget the **Blu Homes Firm Tour and Happy Hour** in Ann Arbor this Friday! Although the event is geared towards Emerging Professionals, everyone is welcome to attend and learn about Blu Homes' unique creative process. (See the flyer below for details and please RSVP to christine@aiami.com by Wednesday).

September will begin with a special tour of the "Michigan Modern" exhibit at the Cranbrook Art Museum. Monica Ponce de Leon, AIA, and Gregory Saldana from MPdL Studios designed and curated the exhibition and will generously donate their time to give a small group of members a guided tour of the exhibit. The event cost is only museum admission, but spaces will fill quickly, so please email <a href="mailto:chicken:chicke

It's also not too early to mark your calendar for the Design Retreat September 20-21st and the AIAMI Annual Meeting



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Upcoming Events

-August 2, 2013: AIA Michigan CEPR Happy Hour and Tour of Blu Homes, Ann Arbor

-August 8-10, 2013: AIA Michigan/AGC Mid Summer Conference, Mackinac Island

-August 30, 2013: AIA Michigan "Tiger Tailgate" at the DAC and Comerica Park, Detroit

-September 7, 2013: AIA Michigan Special Exhibition Tour of "Michigan Modern" exhibit, on October 25th. Watch the website for future updates.

Have a great week and we hope you stop by the Beaubien House for a visit or a tour if you are in Detroit!

Sincerely,

Cathy Mosley, Hon. Aff, AIAMI AIA Michigan Executive Director

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Save the Date: Courthouse Transformation Event on Sept. 6th! Cranbrook Art Museum

-September 20-21, 2013: AIA Michigan Design Retreat, Torch Lake

-October 25, 2013: AIA Michigan Annual Meeting Day

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Courthouse Transformation Community & Connection

Friday, September 6 at 5:30pm

September 6, 2013

Kendall College of Art and Design (WNF building, Rm 217)

17 Pearl Street NW, Downtown Grand Rapids, MI 49503

The cultural heritage of many communities is brought to focus by the built environment. From the Quaker villages of New England to the beach houses in California, the city beautiful movement in Philadelphia to Heritage Hill of Grand Rapids, buildings become the story teller.

The American Architectural Foundation (AAF) and the National Park Service are finalizing negotiations on an agreement which will recognize the American Architectural Foundation as the new private partner of Save America's Treasures. AAF has been a strong advocate for Save Americas Treasures and received two grants to restore the only remaining presentation model of the World Trade Center complex, and to preserve and restore the Octagon, a historic landmark in Washington, DC, that served as the White House after the British burned Washington.

Ron Bogle, Hon. AlA, President of the AAF, will discuss plans for Save America's Treasures and

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AAP's new Center for Design and Cultural Heritage. It will focus on connecting nistonic sites, buildings and communities to the stories that help us better understand our history and shared cultural heritage.

Robert Theel, Chief Architect of General Services Administration Region 5, will talk about historic courthouses and legacy in the region; how they have anchored the community and how they have been reused through federal disposition. Through these transformations, downtowns are revitalized.

Tom Mathison and Gene Hopkins, Design Principal from TowerPinkster and Preservation Architect from Hopkins Burns Studio, will tell the story of the Woodbridge N. Ferris Building reinvention. From federal courthouse to city museum, Kendall College of Art and Design is its newest owner. Design adaptation, interior reenvisioning and placemaking are at the core of this project. The building received its LEED Gold certification in late 2012.

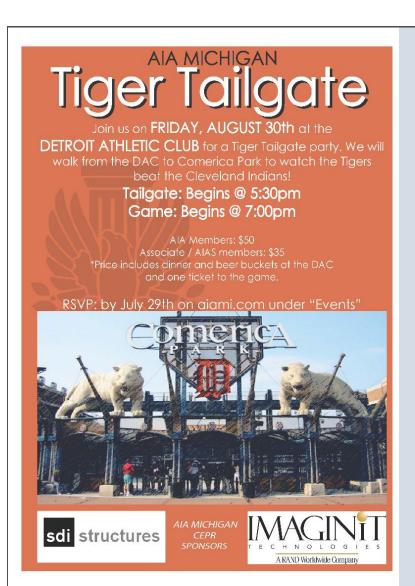
Bob Dickensheets (or Joyce Lee) will give an overview of a recent courthouse renovation halfway around the world in Hong Kong. A mid-century British courthouse was recently rehabilitated to house the Savannah College of Art and Design and the building received UNESCO Asia recognition and sustainability award from the American Institute of Architects Hong Kong.





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AIAMI CEPR Tiger Tailgate at the DAC!



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AIAMI CEPR Blu Homes Happy Hour & Tour



Special Exhibition Tour: "Michigan Modern"



Join us Saturday, September 7, 2013 for a guided tour through the exhibition from Monica Ponce de Leon, AIA and Gregory Saldana of MPdL Studio, the designers and curators of the exhibition.



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