President's Message

AIA Ohio’s mission is to advocate for the profession of architecture, and that has been much of the focus for the first quarter of 2024.

Our Members participated in advocacy days at both the state and national level. At the AIA Leadership Summit in Washington, DC, we met with our Ohio Senators and Representatives to discuss three initiatives relevant to our profession and culture.

Link to President's Message

Government Affairs Update

The Ohio General Assembly is scheduled for only six more floor sessions before adjourning for the summer by June 30, 2024. Neither chamber has scheduled session past July 1, 2024, when legislators return to their districts for re-election campaigns.

The Ohio Constitution requires that the legislature pass a biennial Capital funding bill before July 1st. That funding is stalled over politics between House and Senate leadership.

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Qualification Based Selection and the Request for Qualification Process

Since mid-December of last year, a member task force has been working on a series of informational pieces that address some of the requirements of the QBS selection process. Brought to the attention of AIA Ohio late last year, there has been an increasing number of Requests for Qualifications (RFQ) that have not fully complied with the state’s QBS selection process. These RFQs will sometimes overlook portions of the QBS requirements or include information that is supposed to be discussed after the ranking and the selection of the most qualified firm.

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The AIA Ohio Sponsorship Program
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AIA Ohio has created a new and exciting sponsorship program for 2024. With added benefits and more flexibility, our sponsorship levels provide opportunities for firms and organizations of all sizes to become an engaged supporter of Ohio’s architectural community. Are you looking for an opportunity to connect with some of Ohio’s best architects? Sponsorship of AIA Ohio’s Design Community Conference provides you a pathway to connect to our more than 2,300 members.

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On April 4th, AIA Ohio, ACEC, and the OFCC held a Partnering Conference at the Quest Center in Westerville, Ohio. The program, a continuation of programs offered prior to the pandemic, provided attendees the opportunity to participate in presentations focused on work through the OFCC. The program was attended by just under 200 individuals from across the architectural, engineering, and construction industries. Members who attended the program received AIA learning units through AIA Ohio.

The Ohio Architects PAC is an important tool used by the Government Advocacy Committee to impact AIA Ohio’s advocacy agenda. Why should you contribute?

The AIA Ohio Early Professional Friendly Firm program is to celebrate firms who offer exceptional support and opportunities for their early professionals. Additionally, the program seeks to foster a dialogue within firms across the state with the objective of creating new policies and practices that promote innovation, development, and progressive workplaces for the future members of the design profession.

The AIA Ohio Foundation, a 501(c)(3) organization, is committed to continuing its strong support of those individuals who are pursuing architecture as a career as well as those who may wish to someday join the profession. As part of the Trustee meeting on April 11, 2024, the Board took action to continue our support of current and future architects.
AIA Cincinnati Update
AIA Cincinnati’s VISION lecture series is underway. Upcoming speakers are Christian Solorio, AIA (2/22), Diana Nicklaus, FAIA (3/14), Parke MacDowell, AIA (4/18), Brett Randall Jones, AIA (5/16), and Ilana Judah, AIA (6/20).

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AIA Columbus Update
The AIA Columbus Committee on Design and NOMAColumbus hosted a table at the ASCE Central Ohio STEM Expo. This is a free educational outreach event targeted to students in Kindergarten through 8th grade.

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NORTHEAST OHIO FELLOWS
By Bruce Sekanick, FAIA

Yesterday, I once again had the chance to sit in a room of the Union Club in Cleveland and share the camaraderie of those who are part of the unofficial “Northeast Ohio Fellows”. Consisting of just under 20 Fellows from AIA Akron, AIA Cleveland, and AIA Youngstown, the NEO Fellows group is a mix of educators, practitioners, principals, and retired architects who share an interest in the advancement of the profession.

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