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We hope you'll join us for our upcoming AIA Eastern PA event!

**AIA EASTERN PA CHAPTER
SUSTAINABLE HOME DESIGN CHARRETTE**

**September 30, 2010; Beginning @ 5 PM
NCC Southside Fowler Center, Rm 605
511 East 3rd Street, Bethlehem, PA**

[Register Here for the Event!](#)

This event is **FREE** and AIA members will earn **FOUR** (Yes that's right folks!) (4) LU's!!

Future AIA EPC Events

October 20, 2010, 6 – 9 PM

***"Designing Green Kitchens"* - Joint facility tour and presentation with CSI, Allentown at Trexler-Haines, Allentown**

*Only \$10 per member with 100% of the event proceeds to benefit the Haiti Relief Fund. (1) LU earned for attending the presentation

November 18, 2010, 6 – 10 PM

"Energy in Design"

Presented by Jeff Euclide

Entech Engineering Office, Reading, PA
(1.5) LU for attending the presentation.

Important! Exec. Board Elections that night!

December 2, 2010, 6 – 10 PM

AIA EPC President's Night with the 2010 Design Excellence Awards

Bear Creek Resort and Conference Center, Macungie, PA

2010 AIA EPC Calendar

For more information, visit our website - www.aiaeasternpa.org

Architecture with a *Capital* "A"

Last week I had the privilege of joining three fellow AIA EPC members (President Elect, **Scott Compton, AIA, LEED AP**; PA Board Director, **Howard Quaintance, AIA, LEED AP**; and Chairman for the State Licensure Committee **John Hill, AIA, LEED AP**) in Harrisburg for the annual Architects' Day, Awards and Leadership Conference. Approximately thirty architects representing the AIA PA's eight components converged on the Capital to meet with state senators and representatives. Hot topics included:



- The AIA's support of House Bill #42 (*Freeman*), which would offer community funding opportunities and tax incentives for historic preservation.
- The AIA's support for House Bill #444 (*M. Smith*) and Senate Bill #728 (*Rafferty*), which promotes green building practices for state owned and/or leased buildings.
- The AIA's strong opposition to House Bill #1521 (*Solobay*), which would establish a Title and Practice Act for interior designers – essentially licensing interior designers to do the work of architects, including stamping and sealing drawings for building permits.

The AIA PA 2010 Architectural Excellence Awards were also presented during this time. Selected from 111 total submissions from PA, including a few from our own chapter, 19 recipients were honored in the Main Rotunda of the Capital Building. Four individuals were also honored, including **Representative Robert Freeman** (D-116th District in Easton) with the Government Award, recognizing his significant contributions to the profession and the business of architecture and/or the built environment. Rep. Freeman sponsored House Bill #42 (noted above) and has long-championed historic preservation throughout Pennsylvania. For a complete listing of award winners, check the AIA PA website, <http://aiapa.org/>.

Personally, the two days spent in Harrisburg concluded my busy but enjoyable summer involvement with various AIA functions, including the AIA national convention in Miami, and the ongoing Allentown SDAT program (see page 2), which culminates this week. Thanks to our President Elect, Scott Compton's continued hard work in planning this year's events; the fall calendar is shaping up to be equally busy and rewarding! Don't miss your opportunity to mentor our future architects (current students) during our annual design charrette on Thursday evening, 9/30. (See information in the left column). BTW - It's an easy way to earn **FOUR** continuing education learning units (LUs) for **FREE** while having a lot of fun! As always, I hope to see you at our upcoming chapter events!!!

[Sean P. O'Brien, AIA, LEED AP](#) (2010 Chapter President)

Allied Members – Have a special announcement? Send us your news to be posted here!

Future CSI Allentown Events October 20, 2010, 6 – 9 PM

“Designing Green Kitchens” - Joint facility tour and presentation with AIA EPC at Trexler-Haines, Allentown

Reduced registration - Only \$10 per member with 100% of the event proceeds to benefit the Haiti Relief Fund. (1) LU for presentation

Registration Website:

http://www.csiallentown.org/meeting_form.html

****Note: Thanks to the generosity of Dave Young at Trexler-Haines, our chapters will be able to donate 100% of the registration fees, plus any additional donations offered at the event to the Joint AIA EPC / CSI, Allentown Haiti Relief Fund! Please come out and support this worthy effort while learning more about the gas kitchen and fireplace industry.***

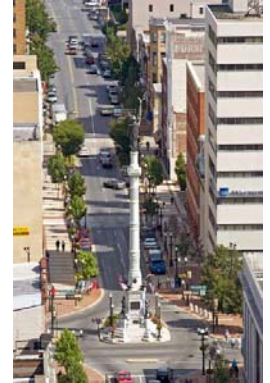
DON'T FORGET TO CHECK IT OUT!

A special [website](#) has been established to afford our chapter members the opportunity to support this worthy cause with ***direct tax deductible donations*** to our joint partner, the **Fuller Center for Housing**, which has already commenced the rebuilding efforts throughout Haiti.



Thanks for your support!

AIA EPC Lending its Assistance to Allentown SDAT Program



The City of Allentown has been awarded the opportunity to participate in AIA national's Sustainable Design Assessment Team (SDAT) program. A team of talented professionals representing all aspects of the urban renewal industry (from architectural and urban planning to economic development) will be in

town from Monday through Wednesday, September 27-29th, to assess long term sustainable design solutions that will enhance the architectural and economic development along the Hamilton Street corridor between 4th – 12th streets.

Since early May our chapter has offered assistance to this effort through service on the local steering committee and by organizing a team of local architects to study relative design issues and/or solutions. Hopefully the SDAT exercise will result in more definitive architectural programming and urban design opportunities in the near future.

We are asking all members to play an active role in the SDAT process. On Monday and Wednesday evenings, Sept. 27th and 29th, the SDAT will hold two public forums. The voice of our architectural community can do much to shape this important effort. We hope you'll consider joining us at either or both public forums.

Public Input Session

Monday, September 27

6:30 to 8:00pm

**Location: Allentown Brew Works
812 Hamilton , 3rd floor**

Team Report/Final Presentation

Wednesday, September 29

6:30 to 8:00 pm

**Location: Baum School of Art
510 Linden Street**

Call for Entries – 2010 AIA EPC Design Awards!!!

Submission Schedule

All submissions must be delivered to Sylvia Deye, AIA EPC Past President, by the following deadlines:

Friday, October 15, 2010, 5:00pm

Deadline for submission of *Entry Registration Form* and *Fee*.

Friday, November 5, 2010, 5:00pm

Deadline for submission of *Entry Binders*

Thursday, December 2, 2010, 6:00pm

President's Night with Design Awards Program and Presentation

Bear Creek Resort, Macungie, PA

Eligibility

Members in good standing of AIA Eastern Pennsylvania are eligible and encouraged to submit projects for which they are Architect of Record. Submissions will be accepted for projects completed after December 31, 2005. There are no geographic limitations for projects submitted. Projects that have previously received any AIA Eastern Pennsylvania Award are not eligible for submission. The Project Architect must be a member of this chapter (if the Project Architect works in a firm outside of our chapter area, it must be demonstrated that he/she is the Architect of Record for that particular project).

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"The Eastern Pennsylvania Chapter of AIA is the voice of our regional architectural profession dedicated to serving and empowering its members. Our Vision is to inspire a better built environment by engaging the community through a culture of excellence and innovation."



The AIA Eastern Pennsylvania Chapter Needs YOU!

Our chapter is currently seeking candidates to fill upcoming vacancies on the executive board of directors. Formal elections will be conducted during our November meeting with the installation of new officers to occur the following month during President's Night. Service on the board offers great insight into the issues that shape our profession, while broadening your knowledge of our chapter's role within the AIA. The following positions will soon become available (effective January 1, 2011):

- **Treasurer:** Elected 2-year position. Responsibilities include coordinating with our executive staff in Harrisburg to produce monthly financial reports. Both the Treasurer and Secretary serve two-year terms with an alternating transition into the position of President Elect during the 3rd year, and then President during the 4th year on the board).
- **(2) Associate AIA Representatives:** (Appointed position with full voting privileges. Responsible for representing the voice of the Associate AIA membership as well as the planning of periodic events for Associate AIA members. Two representatives are sought for this position.
- **(2) Young Architects Forum Representatives:** (Appointed position with full voting privileges. Responsible for representing the voice of our young architects (those licensed within the past ten years) as well as the planning of periodic events geared toward young architects. Two representatives are sought for this position.

If you are interested in serving in any of these positions, please email [Sean O'Brien, AIA, LEED AP](mailto:Sean.O'Brien@AIA.org).



Calling All Citizen Architects!!

The Eastern PA chapter of the AIA would like to again recognize all Citizen Architects for their loyal service to their community at our upcoming President's Night in December.

If you currently or have ever served in a leadership role within your community (governing boards, civic positions, community supervisors, etc.) and we missed the opportunity to thank you last December, please let us know. Your contributions are an invaluable service to both our profession and the community at large. Please contact Sean O'Brien, AIA, LEED AP by November 18, 2010 and join us in December to be officially recognized with our thanks and gratitude. For more information about the AIA Citizen's Architect program, see the AIA website:

<http://www.aia.org/advocacy/local/AIAB051121>