# YOUNG ARCHITECTS FORUM A Committee of the American Institute of Architects 2013

Young Architects Forum Regional Director Report

**New England Region: 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter 2013** 

Date: August 21, 2013

**New England Region** AIA Chapters

- 1. Connecticut
- 2. Maine
- 3. Massachusetts
  Boston Society of Architects
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- 4. New Hampshire
- 5. Rhode Island
- 6. Vermont





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## **Actions + Activities**

# **Events last quarter:**

- June 18: YAF National Conference Call
- June 20-22, 2013 National Convention and Design Exposition Denver, CO





- Events and Programs
  - Emerging Professionals Town Square 70'x50
    - > Resume and Career Coaches
    - Starbucks Lounge
    - ➤ Host the Candidates
    - Social Media
    - Fireside Chats (Health Initiative, Emerging Practices, Disaster Preparedness)
    - Charging Station
  - YAF Daily Walks, 3 tours each day Chicago Convention 2014 – The YAF priorities are leadership, management, project delivery and technology. Convention focus will be Change and Repositioning:
    - > Culture
    - Community
    - > Commitment
- COF and YAF
  - **Bridge** AIA Chicago: 3<sup>rd</sup> year of existence, allows experienced architects to pass on what they have learned to the future generations, participants are paired with a FAIA Mentor and meet throughout a 5-month program to informally discuss





- professional and personal topics, participants also create a community service project
- Architects PATH AIA Portland: 1<sup>st</sup> year of existence, fellows and young architects lead committee, 20 participants pay \$650 each with sponsor matches from allied professions and firms, there are (6) 4-hour courses provided once every 2 months on topics such as:
  - career planning
  - firm strategy
  - marketing
  - team building
  - communication
  - law and ethics
- AIA Northwest and Pacific Mentorship Program 20 FAIA
   Mentors are paired with 2 Young Architects <u>and</u> 2 Interns,
   groups meet at least 6 times per year, groups are provided
   toolkits of suggested activities including building tours, sketching
   trips, round table discussions and informal social activities
- Emerging Gulf States Symposium improve communication throughout region, give emerging professionals opportunity to lead the way for the region; invite FAIA keynote speakers who are recognized leaders, 70 attendees, 100% of participants said the symposium was relevant to emerging professionals, symposium will continue every 2 years, 2014 is in New Orleans
- July: Volume 11, Issue 04 YAF CONNECTION released
- July 1: Submit Jim Kimball for a session at the 2014 National Convention in Chicago. He is adjunct faculty at Boston Architectural College and owner of Phase Zero design.
  - Business aspects of the profession
  - o Personal branding and goal setting
  - Career vs. Vocation
  - Individual and corporate licensure
  - Ethics
  - Project management



- July 17: Tweet Chat hosted by the YAF on Career Advancement
- July 19: Small Firm Roundtable Conference Call about Advancing Your Career. Conference to happen in Atlanta July 30-31. Top six issues from Summit 20:
  - Advancement of the Profession
  - Value of Licensure
  - Career Advancement\*
  - Starting Your Own Firm
  - Economy and Change
  - Value of Design
- July 25-28: IDP Coordinators Conference Miami, FL
  - Intern think tank, applications will be released in September for next year. <a href="http://www.ncarb.org/Experience-Through-Internships/intern-think-tank.aspx">http://www.ncarb.org/Experience-Through-Internships/intern-think-tank.aspx</a>
  - Added construction work experience as qualifying IDP hours
  - o 6 month reporting period, 2 month grace period
  - Emerging Professionals Companion is an online resource for interns to gain IDP credit. <a href="http://www.epcompanion.org">http://www.epcompanion.org</a>
  - Mickey Jacob (AIA President) spoke about the intellectual value of licensure, but the low market value; need to increase public awareness
  - ARE 5.0 in late 2016, will begin to restructure and transition mid 2014
- July 30: AIA New England Regional Conference Call
  - Discussed Regional Conference on October 5<sup>th</sup> most of the state representatives are interested to attend.
    - For 2013: Is there a possibility for the states or state regions to sponsor their local representatives? Or could we provide a reduced emerging professional rate?
    - For 2014: Could we discuss if it is feasible for each region/state to have an allowance for their emerging professional(s) representative to attend the Regional Conference?
- August 20: YAF National Conference Call



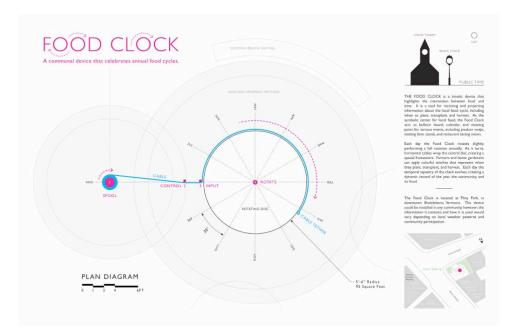
- August 21: Tweet Chat hosted by the YAF on Career Advancement The Future
  - 2:00-3:00pm Eastern
  - Hashtag: #archcareers3
  - o http://www.aia.org/about/AIAB089797
  - o the questions:
    - 1. What does the architectural profession look like 15 years from now?
    - 2. How do you keep up with the perpetual changes in technology to insure you can lead your employees most effectively?
    - 3. What are the ever-present needs of architectural clients; and what are the ways in which you see clients' expectations changing?
    - 4. What skills will architects need in the future that they do not currently develop in traditional career paths?
    - 5. Does architecture school need to change? How?
    - 6. Should other professions be allowed to use the name "Architect" "Software Architect"? Does this diminish or strengthen what we do?
    - 7. What are some of the things that are different about architecture as Generation X and Generation Y co-exist in the workforce. How does this impact the future of Architecture?
    - 8. Do you think Architecture as a profession will exist 50 years from now? Why or why not?
    - 9. Do you feel that managers you work with have a sense of how things are changing?
    - 10. Do you feel that we will be able to stay relevant as a profession? How?

### **Area Events:**

- BSA
  - June 27: EPN bootcamp through the contractor's eyes
  - August 20: reGEN Boston design competition for energizing Urban Living
  - September 10: Student Design Showcase



 AIA Vermont has posted on the Emerging Professionals page the Farm to Fork submissions: https://www.facebook.com/aia.VT.ep



## **Future Conferences:**

I am asking to attend two upcoming conferences with funding from AIA New England. See attached for AIA reimbursement form (key expenses):

- AlA New England Regional Conference on October 5<sup>th</sup> in Worcester
  - Saturday Registration: \$250
  - o Mileage
- AIA Women's Leadership Summit 2013, October 24-26 in Phoenix, AZ; gathers voices of Architects serving in various leadership roles, including Principals, Educators, Owners, Designers, Environmentalists and Innovators to discuss the challenges and opportunities for women practicing architecture today.
  - o Flight: \$300
  - Hotel (4) nights @ \$169 a night: \$676
  - o Registration: \$259

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