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Wonderland: The Hearth

Wonderland, our annual holiday storefront display, has been a tradition at the District Architecture Center since 2013, when we invited AIA | DC Members to present small-scale models of the built environment to create a festive holiday city around our HO Scale Electric Train Set. This year AIA | DC wanted to call on the community once more through a competition that would sponsor local designers to create a unique display for our storefront. The winners of the 2015 competition, Cooper Jones and Maureen McGee, are architects who moved to Washington from San Francisco this year. The husband-and-wife team collaborated on several design projects between 2013 – 2014, including two winter storefront installations for Faye's Video and Espresso Bar in the Mission District, San Francisco.

On view in the SIGAL Gallery storefront through January 4, Wonderland: The Hearth was conceived as an expression of the winter experience – a perfect symbol for this time of celebration and community. By using parametric techniques, the team developed a script to create a design that appears to gradually shift as you walk past the installation. The resulting effect pays tribute to fire as a key element of winter.





2015 WAF Year-End Highlights

2015 was a very good year at the Washington Architectural Foundation! New programs were launched with the help of exciting new partnerships. Old favorites grew to serve more metro DC residents, both children and adults. Long-time strategies were evaluated and new approaches developed. These are just a few of this year's highlights....

Architecture in the Schools has enriched the learning experience of nearly 17,000 children in more than 650 DC Public School classrooms since 1992, improving reading, problem solving, and STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math) skills. This year alone AIS reached close to 1000 students, sending more than 100 volunteers into 38 classrooms. In June WAF staff had an opportunity to meet with Chancellor Kaya Henderson and her senior staff which led to cooperative work on curriculum development for new DC Public Schools programs.

Design in Action, which matches 11th graders in DC Public Schools with mentors in top local architecture firms for a week in spring break, has grown from 6 students when it began in 2012 to 32 students and firms this year.

A new venture with a new partner saw the launch of the **Design Like a Girl** initiative with the Girl Scout Council of the Nation's Capital, the largest Girl Scout Council in the country. Design Like a Girl enhances STEM skills and introduces girls to female role models in architecture, engineering, and construction who can have an impact

on their future as potential leaders in these growing, but still male-dominated, fields. A pilot summer day camp for 8-12 year olds in August drew 32 children. A series of workshops for slightly older girls begins in January and culminates with demonstrations of the girls' work at the USA Science and Engineering Festival in April. Both programs had long waiting lists.

Canstruction moved from the end of summer to Thanksgiving Week. Read more in CANgratulations CANstruction!

Out-of-school programs at the Design Architecture Center became increasingly popular, as did tours and programs offered during Architecture Week in April. Three students were awarded scholarships to begin their university architectural education. A review of the pro bono Design Services program brought experts from other cities and consumer network representatives together to explore options for shaping the future of how we make high-quality design available to our local nonprofit community.

It was a busy year with a lot of good news to share, much success, and many challenges still to meet. The generous support the Washington Architectural Foundation receives from the local foundation and corporate community, as well as AIA | DC Chapter members and other individuals who care about our built environment, is vital to WAF's ability to "make a difference by design."



Svetlana Legetic (@svetlanabyt)

Exhibition Corner: #iseeDC2015 Exhibition on view January 13 through February 20, 2016

Love photography? Enjoy Instagramming your life experiences? Visit the District Architecture Center's exhibition celebrating winning photos from the #iseeDC2015 Instagram photo contest organized by the AIA | DC Design Excellence Committee. These juried photos capture unique points of view throughout our nation's capital from October to November of this year. The Committee's aim for the contest—and exhibition—is to connect the community with architecture. Drop in and get inspired to capture your own architectural snapshots.

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DeCANstruction

CANgratulations to the Winners of CANstructionDC 2015!

Congratulations to all of the teams who participated this year for collecting a total of 68,313 pounds of food plus \$5,070 in "votes" for the Capital Area Food Bank!

Juror's Favorite/Best in Show

CAN-estoga Wagon - Grimm + Parker Architects

Structural Ingenuity

Dulles: 2 Pringles to Paradise - KCCT

Best Use of Labels

OutSMARTing Hunger

- YCF The Young Constructors Forum of Associated General Contractors of Metro DC

Best Meal

Ameri-CAN Bistro - WDG Architecture

Best Expression of the Theme

CAN-nook Chopper to the Rescue – AECOM

Honorable Mention/Most Elegant Solution

Can2Go: Driving Hunger Out of DC! – Barnes Vanze Architects

Honorable Mention/The Crowd Pleaser

The Mayflower: Voyage to End Hunger -HARTMAN-COX ARCHITECTS

Most Cans

Inter-Goya-lactic - Associated Builders and Contractors Metro Washington Student Chapter

People's Choice Award

The Mystery Machine & the Capital Area Food Bank Phantom - Hickok Cole Architects / Ehlert Bryan

Speedy Award/The Team to Finish Building First

The Flux CANpacitor – SmithGroupJJR / DPR Construction

Canstruction aims to raise awareness about hunger in DC. CanstructionDC is a creative design-build competition that benefits the Capital Area Food Bank through donations of canned goods. Through this year's theme of transportation our 26 teams of volunteers from local architecture and engineering firms with the help of the public raised a total of 69,600 meals (27,600 more than in 2014!) that were donated to the Capital Area Food Bank.

Thank you to our judges and our generous sponsors for supporting CANstruction, we couldn't have done it without you!

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Russell V. Keune, FAIA, 1938 - 2015



Russell V. Keune, FAIA Courtesy of National Park Service/Russell V. Keune, FAIA

Russell V. Keune, FAIA received his B. Arch. and M. Arch. from the University of Illinois, and spent his life making an impact on historic preservation, restoration, and architecture around the US and abroad. Through tenures at the National Park Service, the National Trust for

Historic Preservation, United States Committee / International Council on Monuments and Sites (US/ICOMOS). Professional Practice Commission of the International Union of Architects, and the American Institute of Architects as the Director of International Affairs, he has touched many people with his knowledge, humor, and spirit.

Some of Keune's major accomplishments included working on the National Historic Preservation Act in both the passing of the law and its implementation around the country with the National Register of

Historic Places, spreading knowledge about historic preservation and building codes to architects and creating historic districts around the US at the National Trust, creating historic preservation plans for several countries in Asia, holding the General Assembly in the US for the first time and publishing preservation work that had been done in the US with US/ICOMOS, and establishing new AIA chapters abroad. We thank Russell Keune for his great contributions to the architecture community; he will be sorely missed.

AIA | DC members may submit "Member News" items to newsletter@aiadc.com.





Bowie Gridley Architects have several new positions. Principal Richard Salopek, AIA and Associate Elise Robinson, AIA will share the role of Director of Building Information Modeling (BIM). As co-directors, they will be responsible for furthering the integration of BIM technology into BGA's practice by refining standards, training, and software implementation. Associate David Marks, AIA will assume the role of Director of Building Technology, providing leadership in the implementation of building science technologies including building envelope, materials, and assembly innovations. These new roles will serve as complement to BGA's existing quality control and assurance practices—creating client value and technical excellence.





Richmond Olympic Oval, CannonDesign

The Richmond Olympic Oval, the signature venue from the 2010 Vancouver Olympic Winter and now a multi-use community recreation center and sports venue designed by CannonDesign, led by Principal Ken Wiseman, AIA, has received the All Time Award from the International Association of Sports and Leisure Facilities (IAKS) and the International Olympic Committee (IOC) – an award reserved for landmark sports facilities from the past half-century. The All Time Award is being issued in conjunction with IAKS 50th anniversary and will not be awarded again until 2065. The Oval is one of just 10 facilities to receive the honor – and the only awardwinning venue from North America.



Elk Run Ridge by Carter + Burton Architecture, "Architecture Now! Vol. 10

Carter + Burton Architecture's newest project, Elk Run Ridge, was published as one of only three house designs featured from the U.S. in "Architecture Now! Vol. 10" edited by Philip Jodidio and published by Tashen. Carter + Burton has been specializing in high end Modern design for new construction and renovations in Virginia, New York and Washington, DC.



Heather Daley Rao, AIA, LEED-AP; Angela Yu, AlA; and Nandor Mitrocsak, AIA. Cunningham | Quill Architectus

Cunningham | Quill Architects is pleased to announce the promotions of Heather Daley Rao, AIA, LEED-AP, Nandor Mitrocsak, AIA and Angela Yu, AIA. We are proud to recognize their professional accomplishments and commitment to design excellence. Each continually demonstrates vision, expertise and a collaborative philosophy to provide Cunningham | Quill clients with exceptional awardwinning projects. Heather Daley Rao, AIA, LEED-AP has been

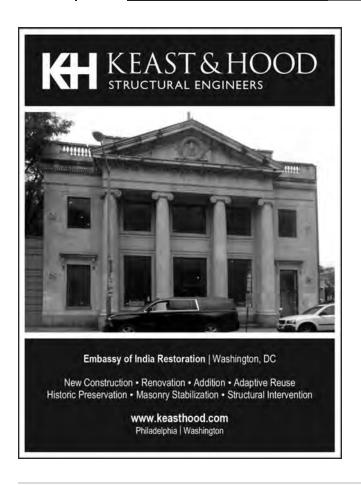
promoted to Associate Principal. Nandor Mitrocsak, AIA and Angela Yu, AIA have been promoted to Associate.



Dewberry, a privately held professional services firm, has acquired the Wilson Architectural Group. Headquartered in Houston, Texas, Wilson is a nearly 40-person architectural firm with a portfolio of healthcare, corporate and commercial, industrial, sports and recreation, laboratories, and civic buildings in Houston and throughout Texas. During integration, the Houston office will be known as and will do business as Dewberry | Wilson.



Registered architect Thomas Massey, AIA, LEED AP, has joined Gannett Fleming Architects, Inc., serving as vice president and facilities area manager. He is responsible for overall project management, design and business development for the practice, with a special focus on the Federal government and the Washington, DC metro area. Massey brings 30+ years of successful design and planning experience throughout the United States. His extensive Federal government work includes the LEED®Platinum-rated GSA New Federal Office Building in Miramar, Florida, and the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Advanced Research Center in Picatinny Arsenal, New Jersey.





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Principal Ray Smith, CCP has been elected to the Examination Committee of the Building Commissioning Certification Board (BCCB). The committee consists of national subject matter experts who collaborate and employ best practices to create the Certified Commissioning Professional (CCP) examination forms. Per the Building Commissioning Association (BCA), the BCCB was formed in 2004 as an administratively independent arm of the BCA for the purpose of recognizing building commissioning professionals who meet the standards of the BCA.

GHT has welcomed 14 new team members to the MEP consulting engineering firm in the last six months. GHT President Paul O'Brien remarks, "These talented individuals represent a broad array of expertise, encompassing mechanical, electrical, and plumbing engineering disciplines; operations and energy services (OES); and Revit® MEP BIM software. GHT has achieved growth in each of its three studios – interiors, building systems, and OES – in 2015 through a focus on client relationships and technical innovation. The resulting increase in staff has expanded GHT's capacity to help our clients improve the efficiency and value of their assets in the built environment."

Gordon + Gordon Architecture

Founding Principal, Harry Gordon, FAIA has been selected as a LEED Fellow by USGBC and Green Business Certification, Inc. Harry was also the inaugural recipient of the Greg Franta, FAIA Memorial Award for High Performance Sustainable Design, awarded by the Sustainable Buildings Industry Council.



Harry Gordon, FAIA, Gordon + Gordon Architecture

Griz Dwight, AIA of GrizForm

Design Architects designed the Farmers Restaurant Group's Founding Farmers Tysons restaurant to represent rooms and areas typically found in a classic Virginia farmhouse. In both subtle and more visible ways, guests experience different "microclimates" that resemble a barn, front porch, kitchen, dining room, formal space, living room, and a bedroom as they move through the restaurant. Unique design elements in the restaurant include: commissioned artworks and installations by artists such as hand whittled creatures, farm scene vignettes, a quilted colonial flag, a phone booth for guests to make calls in private, as well as custom designed furniture.

Boston Properties has awarded **Grunley Construction Company, Inc.** a contract for the renovation of 1330 Connecticut Avenue NW, Washington, D.C. The renovation of the 10-story, Class A office building located in Dupont Circle will include upgrades and improvements for the building façade as well as new roofing, windows, exterior landscaping and pavers. The building will remain occupied throughout the construction by a law firm tenant, and the project is expected to have a two-year duration.



Structural engineering firm **Keast & Hood** has opened an office in Charlottesville, Va., led by Associate Craig D. Swift, PE, SE, LEED AP. The Charlottesville location responds to a growing business presence and client base throughout Virginia, where Keast & Hood provides structural engineering for new construction and historic preservation projects.

Keast & Hood worked on several projects that were honored this year with various awards. The Howard Hughes Corporation Rouse Building was recognized with a Good Design = Good Business Honorable Mention in the AIA Baltimore Excellence in Design Awards. 3737 Science Center was recognized as with a Health Care Award of Merit in ENR Mid Atlantic's Best Project Awards and as a finalist in the Delaware Valley Green Building Council



Craig D. Swift, PE, SE, LEED AP of Keast & Hood

Groundbreaker Awards for sustainable design. The Rouse Building and 3737 Science Center also earned the Urban Land Institute's Willard G. "Bill" Rouse Awards for Excellence.

The Karabots Pavilion at The Franklin Institute was named Project of the Year by the ACE Mentor Program of Eastern Pennsylvania. Chestnut Hill, PA, inducted two Keast & Hood projects its Architectural Hall of Fame: The Vanna Venturi House and the Margaret Esherick House.

Associated Builders and Contractors, Inc. Eastern Pennsylvania Chapter honored three Keast & Hood projects in its 25th anniversary Merit Construction Awards of Excellence. The Institutional Excellence Winner went to the Shipley School Student Commons and Arts Center. The Institutional Merit Winner went to Dana Hallowell Residence Hall at Swarthmore College. The Adath Israel Synagogue Renovation was named Restoration/Renovation Merit Winner.



Landis Architects/Builders welcomes project designer Chris Williams. He joins an architect-led, six-person design department. He has 25 years of experience in residential construction, including designing/estimating small kitchens to \$15 million new homes. He enjoys working with 3D modeling because it provides realistic views for clients and it offers seamless coordination



Chris Williams, Landis Architects/Builders

from design to construction. He has a degree in architecture from the University of Maryland.



Oehme, van Sweden principals recently presented about their history and creative ideas at two events. Principal Sheila Brady, FASLA, discussed her innovative designs for the New York Botanical Gardens' (NYBG) Native Plant Garden, with Susan Cohen, ASLA, in the lecture Finding Your Muse: Inspiration and the Creative Process at NYBG. The National Building Museum hosted OvS Principals Sheila Brady, Lisa Delplace, and Eric Groft, Assoc. AIA in a panel discussion Spotlight on Design: Oehme, van Sweden with an inside view on the firm's legacy as well as the current studio's everyday operations.



Perkins+Will welcomes several new members to the firm. **Jeff Davenport** joins Perkins+Will as a Principal and Middle East Healthcare Director helping to grow the firm's healthcare practice worldwide, **John Grounds**, **AIA**, **LEED AP** as a Senior Associate

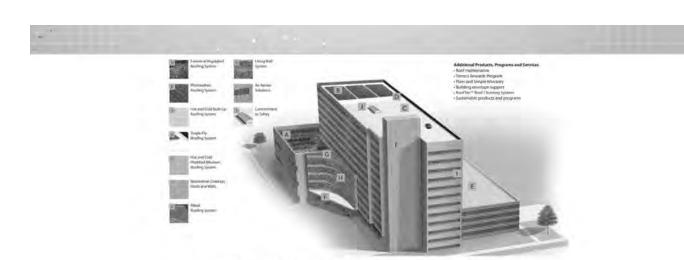




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Ballou Senior High School, Perkins+Will

and Senior Project Manager focusing on healthcare projects. The firm congratulates **Jon Penndorf**, **AIA**, **LEED AP BD+C**, for being elected to the AIA National Strategic Council as the regional representative for the Mid-Atlantic Region.

Perkins+Will recently won four design awards: Tinkham Veale University Center, Case Western Reserve University, AIA | DC, Merit Award in Architecture; Ballou Senior High School, NAIOP Mary-



Jeff Davenport, Principal and Middle East Healthcare Director, Perkins+Will

land/DC Chapter, 2015 Award of Excellence, Best Institutional Facility; Nixon Peabody Law Offices, NAIOP Maryland/DC Chapter, 2015 Award of Merit, Best Interiors Professional Service/Institutional Space over 25,000 SF; Kimball Office, Washington, DC Showroom,

ASID Washington Metro Chapter, 2015 Design Excellence Award, Commercial Retail. Congratulations to the teams!

Edwin Agudelo, AIA, Associate Principal of PGAL to spoke at Architecture Exchange East on November 5th in Richmond, Virginia. Agudelo has served as Senior Project Designer on a number of the firm's high profile aviation projects shed light on "Visual Souplesse and the Architecture of Movement". His portfolio includes Los Angeles International Airport's Terminal 1 Modernization, Newark Liberty's Terminal A Redevelopment, Boston-Logan's Consolidated Rental Car Facility, and Las Vegas' McCarran International Airport's Terminal 3.

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Skidmore, Owings & Merrill LLP (SOM)

Effective November 1st, **Kristopher Takács, AIA**, is leading the firm's Washington, DC practice. In this role, Takács will oversee a reorganization and expansion of the office to deliver architecture, planning, interiors, and engineering services in the District and



Kristopher Takács, AIA, SOM

mid-Atlantic region. Formerly based in SOM's New York City office since 2004, Takács is recognized for his leadership of award-winning projects throughout the United States, Middle East, India, and China, encompassing large-scale, mixed-use urban development, commercial and residential towers, ground transportation facilities, and urban designs for campuses, districts, and cities.

AIA DCCALENDAR

Lunchtime Learning: Vegetated Roof System Assembly Design

Date: Friday, January 8 Time: 12:00PM - 1:00PM

Location: District Architecture Center, 421 7th Street, NW

Sponsored by: Tremco Inc. 1.0 HSW | LU. Fees: Free for AIA & DAC members; \$25 for Non-members. Registration required.

Your City, Your Architects: Knowing the Past to Design the Future

Date: Tuesday, January 26 Time: 6:30PM - 8:00PM

Location: District Architecture Center, 421 7th Street, NW

Presented by: Mark McInturff, FAIA - McInturff Architects. Organized by: AIA | DC and ICAA Register. 1.5 LUs. Fees: \$15 for students & Assoc. AIA members; \$20 for AIA, DAC, and ICAA members; \$40 for non-members. Registration required.

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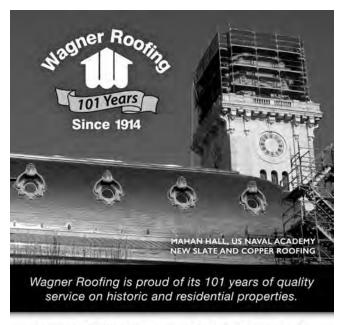
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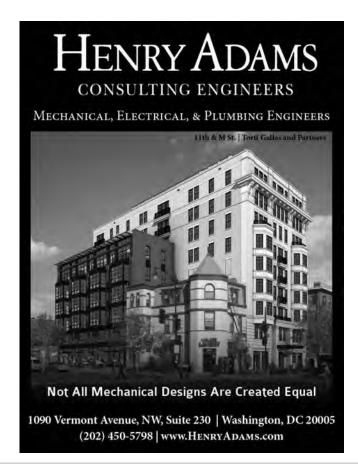
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