

President's Message



I am writing this, my last, letter to you from my new house and am thinking about what an amazing year this has been for me. While this year was busy for reasons such as my wedding, work, and buying a new house, I am so very thankful for my term as president for your IIDA Oregon Chapter. Now I am not going to lie and say it was easy, but I will say that I learned a lot about both myself and leading a team, well, in essence a small business. This year taught me about delegation, leadership, time

management, listening, and most of all caring as we are a group of volunteers and Oregon interior designers. I also learned the value of volunteerism and spending those extra minutes each day to better our interior design profession organization. Of course, I also learned about the high that public speaking brings and the best pizza place in Chicago while visiting for our IIDA Chapter Leadership Conferences.

As I look back, I am thankful for you allowing me to be your president and, while I look forward, I look forward to many more years of volunteering for both IIDA and other organizations. Volunteering is wonderful feeling of giving back and paying it forward. I bet you already volunteer, and if you don't, every little bit helps.

Sincerely,

Amalia Mohr, IIDA, LEED AP
President, IIDA Oregon Chapter (until June 30th!)

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Sponsorship

Summer Greetings, Everyone!

I hope this finds you all well! I have two exciting things to share with you.

First, as I announced in the Spring Newsletter, an update on the fashion show fundraiser: Based on our further research, it has come to our attention that IDC Washington, our northern neighbors, will be putting on their fashion show next year. Although we are still excited about this event, we've decided that we don't want to compete for resources from our industry partners or detract from their already established event.

However, those of you who have been stoked about the idea of a fashion show, don't be discouraged! We are still discussing how we can make it a great event that is fun and profitable – it just won't be happening next year. The good news is twofold: By giving ourselves more time to prepare and get more people involved we'll be able to make the event that much bigger and better. It also gives us the opportunity to try something else totally new and exciting: Night at the Casino! That's right...Ala James Bond perhaps? Martini, anyone? Shaken, not stirred, of course!

The final theme and activities are still to be determined, but if you have ideas and want to be a part of making this event a huge success, e-mail me now and join the committee!

Second, to all of our wonderful sponsors, existing and potential...we have an awesome new addition to our team! We are thrilled to introduce Christina Rischar as our first ever Sponsorship Concierge. Christina has an Art and an Interior Design degree and enjoys incorporating art into the built environment. She's been an Interior Designer for 9 years and has a variety of experience in residential, commercial housing, and corporate design, and currently works for LRS Architects. She's very excited to be a part of IIDA and get more involved with our local design community.

Christina is here to facilitate the sponsorship process and essentially, she's here to take care of you, sponsors! She will make sure that you are fully getting to use all of the benefits that you receive as an IIDA sponsor. Christina will be contacting you, but if you need to contact her, you can contact her at crischar@lrsarchitects.com.

Be sure to let me know if you'd like to join the committee for our next fundraiser – Night at the Casino! And, as usual, feel free to let me know if you have any questions or comments about IIDA sponsorship.

Wishing you the best & Happy Summer!

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Tejara Brown, Associate IIDA
VP of Sponsorship
IIDA Oregon Chapter

Legislation

Hello! I would like to take this opportunity to introduce the new Oregon IIDA GRA committee. Spearheading the team as Vice President of Government and Regulatory affairs is Toni King. Toni King is the principal at TKA; a mid-sized project management & design firm specializing in existing properties. I am the new GRA chair and an interior design project manager at Toni King and Associates. I have been in the design industry for over ten years and find myself inspired by Oregon's natural beauty and tightly-knit design community.

Toni and I will be responsible for the legislative and regulatory issues and affairs, advocacy programs, professional practice issues, as well as, the chapter by-laws and policy development of the Oregon IIDA Chapter. Wow, we have a big job to do!

Our goals include providing IIDA members up to date information regarding any code changes and licensing issues, providing a platform to engage our local communities to share ideas and strengths and to move the profession of design forward through positive legislation.

One specific item we want you to know RIGHT NOW is:

- **Effective March 1, 2012, the 2010 ADA updates to the 2010 Oregon Structural Specialty Code (OSSC) are in effect for all jurisdictions in Oregon. They include amendments to parking space width, fire alarm and detection systems and updates within various sections of Chapter 10: Means of Egress, Chapter 11: Accessibility, and Chapter 34, Section 3411: Accessibility for Existing Buildings/ Structures.**

The International Code Council has not issued an official amendment to the 2010 Oregon Structural Specialty Code; however, the Building Codes Division of the Oregon Department of Consumer and

Business Services has issued addenda that help outline the changes. According to Steven Judson, P.E., Commercial Structures Code Specialist with the State of Oregon Building Codes Division, the best way to ensure that you have the information needed is to visit the Building Codes Division website (www.bcd.oregon.gov) and download the "Chapter 11 Accessibility Addenda" and the five ADA Provisions (section 907 Fire Alarms, Chapter 10 Correlation Communication, Section 1007 Egress, Chapter 11 Accessibility, and Section 3411 Existing Buildings). Once you have downloaded (in color) the 5 ADA Provisions, they can be inserted in the 2010 OSSC. The pages have been formatted so that when inserted, the amendments will face the page containing the existing code language. The green text denotes an Oregon amendment and makes the changes easier to track.

The new Chapter 11 provisions for accessibility are based on the physical construction requirements outlined in the International Code Council / ANSI A117.1-2003 edition. Updates regarding location of sinks, wheelchair clearances and the addition of a vertical grab bar in commercial restrooms are explained.

You are encouraged to further explore the 2010 ADA updates in detail and spread the word to your colleagues and clients.

Toni and I look forward to our first year on the IIDA board working to enhance our diverse profession. If you have any questions, concern or IDEAS for us please email me (Zahava Jones) at zj@tonikingasociates.com. Have a warm and happy summer!

Zahava Jones, IIDA and Toni King, IIDA
VP of GRA
IIDA Oregon Chapter

Membership

We're proud to report that our Chapter is now 250 members strong, and growing! 'Congratulations' and 'thank you' are in order for each and every 250+ of you, who collectively and individually who have made our first six months in our 'second jobs' as IIDA Oregon Co-VP's of Membership, so rewarding.

As we look at the calendar for the upcoming months, we're finding that barely a week goes by that IIDA Oregon Chapter isn't hosting an educational, social, student, or community outreach event. Let your membership be more than just a few more letters behind your name. Participate, volunteer, and share your story of why the profession and affiliated professions of Interior Design, and involvement in IIDA, really matter.

Our excitement continues to grow as we look ahead to the next Board year. What else can we do with and for our Membership!? You tell us! We'd love to know, and then we'd love to have you help us make it a reality!

For more information about how you can become involved in your IIDA contact Co-VP's of Membership:

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Beth Nist, IIDA **Ginny Combs, Industry IIDA**
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Please join us in welcoming our new members:

Olivia Behnke, Student IIDA
Sasha Beckwith, Student IIDA
Brian Capsey, Student IIDA
Beth Gish, Industry IIDA
Clare Goddard, Student IIDA
Windy Holt, Industry IIDA
Kyle Holzkamp, Student IIDA
Annie Hsu, Student IIDA
Erin Janes, Student IIDA
Kirsten Justice, Associate IIDA
Toni King, IIDA
Lancea Laporte, Student IIDA
Meng Shan Lin, Student IIDA
Abaigail Marlatt, Student IIDA
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Sofia Yrazabal, Industry IIDA

IIDA 2012 Chapter Awards

At the 2012 Summer Chapter Leadership Conference in Chicago from June 8-10, 2012, IIDA Oregon was presented with some great news. IIDA Oregon participated in the 2012 IIDA Chapter Awards in 7 categories and won awards for 5 of them. Some of the awards were distributed during the first night of CLC at the Milliken showroom. The awards IIDA Oregon won that night included:

- **Best in Cross Media Interactions**
- **Best in Overall Graphics**
- **Best in Chapter Website Development**
- **Honorable Mention in Programs**
- **Chapter of the Year**

The most exciting news came at the IIDA Annual Meeting on Sunday, June 10, 2012 in which we were awarded the CHAPTER OF THE YEAR! Now the exciting part is that we didn't win small chapter of the year, we won Chapter of the Year. The judges did

not present a small chapter award and large chapter award, they only awarded one award. A very special thank you goes to our amazing past and present boards for achieving these awards.



Membership Appreciation Night With Cheryl Durst

IIDA Oregon hosted the CEO of IIDA, Cheryl Durst, on May 24th at a Membership Appreciate party at Paragon in the Pearl District. This event was for members only and was meant to give back to our amazing members and sponsors that have helped us grow throughout this past year. The night started with networking and mingling alongside our great members and followed with an open discussion with Cheryl on the value of IIDA, volunteering, and the importance of belonging to an interior design profession organiza-

tion. She was also able to answer questions from the audience so she could hear firsthand what Oregon interior designers are struggling with. We capped the evening off with giving away fabulous gifts and prizes, with the most exciting gift, Cheryl gave away a free membership for 2013 to one of our lucky members.

A huge thank you must be extended to our coordinators and volunteers for the evening, Beth Nist and Ginny Combs. Thank you for organizing such a wonderful event.

Seven Words

Recently IIDA Headquarters asked its IIDA LinkedIn Community an inspiring question. “Can you explain what you do in 7 words? We’re all trying to summarize our industry impact in a concise way. What’s yours?” Below are some of your board member’s 7 words to describe what they do.

Ask your co-workers and designer friends, can you explain what you do in 7 words?

- “Work with people to make enduring places.” – **Nita Posada, IIDA**
- “Creating thoughtfully designed solutions for our clients.” – **Amalia Mohr, IIDA**
- “Inspire Designers through Education and Professional Development” – **Jayson Gates, Industry IIDA**
- “Professional service, smart products with a creative heart.” – **Ginny Combs, Industry IIDA**
- “Source for inspiration, expertise and value engineering!” – **Cindy Mahaffey, Industry IIDA**
- “Project manager and designer for existing properties.” – **Toni King, IIDA**
- “Designing to tell a story that becomes place.” – **Dawn Viar, Associate IIDA**
- “Understanding, Organizing and Evaluating to create Functional Space.” – **Christina Rischar, IIDA**
- “Providing furniture solutions for healthcare environments.” – **CiCi Ross, IIDA**
- “Protecting our future through sustainable design choices.” – **Carissa Mylin, IIDA**
- “Designing for safety, welfare, health and aesthetics.” – **Kimberly Gonzales, IIDA**
- “Helping designers to create spaces that inspire.” – **Heather Gee-Pape, Industry IIDA**
- “Create environments that are functional and beautiful!” – **Tejara Brown, Associate IIDA**
- “Exploring and innovating to create unique environments.” – **Alison Selby, IIDA**

2012 Annual Celebration

Thank you to everyone who joined at this year's Annual Celebration. What an event, and if you missed it, be sure to check out facebook page to see the great photos.

We started the evening off with a fabulous networking hour at Urban Studio. We all had great food and drinks in our hands and toasted to the start of the summer. We then headed into the ballroom for the main event. Amalia Mohr, IIDA, outgoing IIDA Oregon Chapter President, welcomed the guests by first thanking the sponsors and then giving the highlights

from the past board year. The guests then welcomed incoming IIDA Oregon Chapter President, Nita Posada, IIDA who gave the guests a little bit more information on her background and her excitement to lead IIDA Oregon for the upcoming board year. Finally, Nita welcomed Austin Howe, author of "Designers Don't Read" who treated the guests to an inspiring design and branding speech.

The evening was wonderful and a great start to the 2012-2013 Board Year!



2012 Annual Celebration Sponsors

Diamond Sponsors: ARC, Armstrong Ceilings and Armstrong Flooring, Haworth & Interior Office Space, Benjamin Moore Paints, Forbo, and Kaitlin Emmerling Photography

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IIDA Oregon Students



Thank you again Marjorie Marcellus / Art Institute of Portland, Richelle Waddell / Maharam, Tom Gustafson / SpaceSaver Specialists and Michael Altman / Environments, for all of your hard work on Student Day 2012, hosted by IIDA and ASID. The Kennedy School Gym was filled with 65 students from all over

the state to review design competition entries, network, peruse vendor exhibits, and create masterpieces with spaghetti & marshmallows. Lisa Zangerle / SERA Architects shared her experiences and advice for students as they enter the profession.

Congratulations to the Student Design Competition Winners:

Furniture / Product Design – Marisa Baker, University of Oregon
 Emerging Design – George Covin, Art Institute of Portland
 Kitchen and Bath Design – Alisson Bassett, Art Institute of Portland
 Residential Design – Clare Goddard, Art Institute of Portland
 Small Commercial Design – Lauren Cartmell, University of Oregon
 Large Commercial Design – Mary Yoxen, Marylhurst University
 Student's Choice – Kaycee Pershing, Oregon State University

Professional Development & Forums

This marks my last official act as Vice President of IIDA Oregon's Professional Development and Forums. I'm sad to note that my two year term comes to a close at the end of June 2012. It has been a pleasure to serve in this leadership position. My main goal as I took on the challenge of the VP position was to provide new and exciting educational opportunities for our member population. We are fortunate in our chapter to have a wealth of talent and willingness to share their insights and experiences. As I finish my term I have had a chance to reflect on the many standout moments of my past 7 years as part of the forums team.

Some of the standout presentations for me personally were the Textiles 101 event in October of 2010. Susan Sullivan, Owner & Founder, and Rachel Doris, Design Director of Pollack Textiles came from NYC to educate our chapter on the history and technique used to create innovative commercial and residential fabrics. I had been working for years to get this team to Oregon for an IIDA event and it was nice to finally see it come together. The Perspectives in Design, A Panel Discussion in October 2011 is a standout for me as well as one of the most challenging events we have planned. Bringing Annie Block from Interior Design Magazine as well as Jeff Kovel of Skylab, Andee Hess of Osmose, and Natalie Hartkopf with Hightower together was a coup for our chapter. We developed the agenda from scratch and provided an opportunity for our chapter, to not only get different perspectives on the design business, but to network with local and national leaders in our field.

The Design Crawl has always been my favorite event to plan. The opportunity to see the fruits of many years of dedicated planning and detail of our award winning projects is a treat to share with IIDA members and non members alike. This year was no different as it was one of the best crawls I have been a part of. I'd like to



say thank you to the following participants in this year's event; BOORA Architects & BodyVox Dance Studio, David Hill Design and the good people @ the Westin Hotel, and last but certainly not least, Holst Architects & Bud Clark Commons. Those who attended can attest to the high caliber of these projects and the presentations given by the design teams. A lot of work was needed to pull off this year's event and it all paid off as a sellout crowd toured these incredible spaces.

Thank you to everyone I have had a pleasure to serve with. To my committee chairs, Molly Deas, Heather Gee Pape, Carrie Gates, Melissa Bailey, and Jesse Woods, it has been an honor to serve with you. To you our members, thank you for your support, commitment to your profession, and great design. You are IIDA. The Oregon Chapter of IIDA's Professional Development and Forums committee is committed to the growth and education of our membership and I look forward to seeing what the future holds with new leadership and a new vision. All the best and see you at the next forum.

Jayson Gates, Industry IIDA, LEED AP
VP Professional Development and Forums
IIDA Oregon Chapter

Upcoming Events

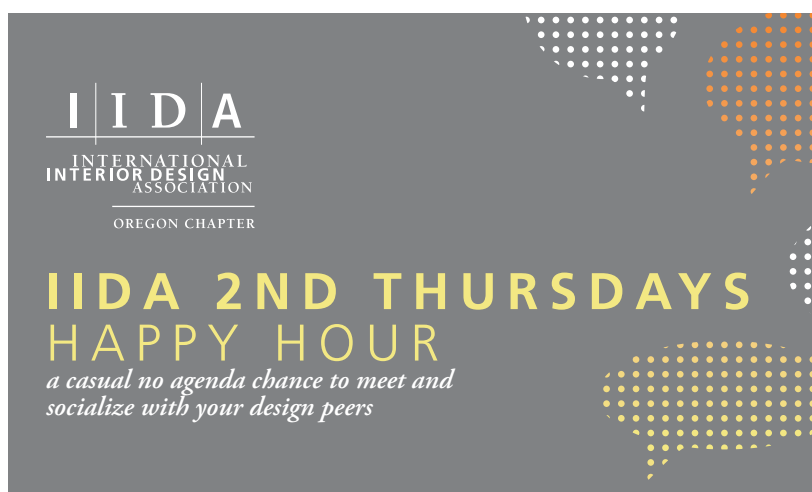
IIDA Oregon Happy Hour

Join IIDA Oregon every 2nd Thursday from 5:00-6:30pm for a no-host social happy hour. Stay connected to industry partners, members and the Oregon design community. This is open and FREE to both members and non-members. See you there!!!

July 12: Brix Tavern @ NW 13th & Hoyt

August 9: Zeus @ SW 12th & Ash

For more information about 2nd Thursday's please contact our Chair of Professional Membership, Alison Selby alison@skylabarchitecture.com



IIDA Oregon NCIDQ Roundtable Discussion – July 26

What: Recent NCIDQ Exam participants offer study tips and insight for exam preparations. This will be a great opportunity to meet industry peers who are also preparing for the exam and form your own study groups!

Location: TBD

More information and event registration coming soon!

Creative Cups

IIDA Oregon has a strong student body of emerging professionals with a passion for design and they want to meet YOU! The Interior Design Club at the Art Institute Portland is starting a regular event called "Creative Cups" where design professionals meet with students over a good cup of coffee. Associate & Professional Members please sign up to participate by contacting Clare Goddard - clare.goddard@gmail.com.

Did you know?

IIDA Oregon has established a Chapter Education Fund under the IIDA Foundation. This fund's purpose is to promote education and professional development for our Members. At this time we will award (1) NCIDQ and (1) LEED exam reimbursement per year.

Learn more: <http://www.iida-or.org/educational-fund/>

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