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Chapter News
Gabe Klein to Keynote DesignDC 2016

Author of Start-Up City: Inspiring Private and Public Entrepreneurship, Getting Projects Done, and Having Fun

The landscape of cities is rapidly evolving, and how governments and businesses respond to challenges affects how we all live, work, and play. Gabe Klein has been a creative leader in making cities better. In his book, Start-Up City: Inspiring Private and Public Entrepreneurship, Getting Projects Done, and Having Fun, Klein delivers inspiration, coupled with real-world ideas that are anchored in results, to remake cities into places that will be more resilient, sustainable, and enjoyable places to live.

Gabe Klein is the former Chicago DOT director under Mayor Rahm Emanuel’s administration and former Director of the District DOT under Mayor Adrian M. Fenty. In Washington he launched Capital Bikeshare, the first large-scale bikeshare system in the US, and in Chicago he later launched Divvy, now the largest bikeshare system in the US. Before working in local government, Klein worked at a few startups, including Zipcar. In 2015, in addition to his other roles, he joined Fontinalis Partners as a Special Venture Partner on their new fund. Klein continues to advise a number of technology and transportation startups including Bridj, where he provides leadership on strategy. He serves on the board of NACTO and Streetsblog.

DesignDC - August 24-26, 2016
Washington Convention Center
Early Bird conference pricing is available now through June 30!

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MARYLAND ARCHITECTURE EXCELLENCE IN DESIGN AWARDS 2016
The American Institute of Architects

AIA Potomac Valley Design Awards

The 2016 AIA Potomac Valley Excellence in Design Awards Competition is now open for entries. Please review eligibility and submission requirements on our 2016 Design Awards web page, where you can also Meet Our Jury. The submission deadline is July 21.

SAVE THE DATE for Celebrate Design! with featured speaker Ed Feiner, FAIA - Thursday, October 20!

Education and Events
Firm Tour XIII - SK+I Architecture

Tuesday, June 14 - 6:00-7:30 pm
Join us for a tour of the newly renovated offices of SK+I Architecture, a 2015 AIA Potomac Valley Excellence in Design Awards winner for Interior Architecture and a presentation on a variety of design challenges the firm has faced and the solutions they have employed in some of their most successful mixed-use and multifamily projects. Participants will see how SK+I designers plan and build projects that provide a sense of place and often bring new demographics to previously under-utilized areas or emerging neighborhoods. Participants will explore different residential unit types and public amenity spaces and discuss how they attract residents and impact their daily lives. Several of our AIAAPV Annual Partners will also be on hand with “show and tell”! AIA Potomac Valley has applied for 1 LU/HSW for this program.

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Munch & Learn – Composite Shake, Shingle and Slate

Thursday, June 16 - 6:30-8:00 pm
A presentation by Enviroshake will provide an overview of the characteristics and green features of composite shake, shingle and slate vs. alternative shake and slate options, as well as a discussion of the relationship of composite shake, shingle, and slate to various green certification programs. This is an encore presentation of last year’s informative Munch & Learn presentation which was impacted by weather. If you missed it before, now is your chance! 1 LU/HSW

REGISTER
Eagle Academy PCS Tour - 2015 Gold Award Winner

Monday, June 20 - 4:00-5:30 pm
Join us for a tour of the Eagle Academy Charter School, the 2015 AIA Potomac Valley Excellence in Design Awards Gold Award winner. Eagle Academy PCS at McGogney is a full renovation and addition to a former DCPS school. The three-story, L-shaped addition houses a pool room on its lowest level, a gymnasium above, and several other spaces, including a new entry level for the school, a community room, a library and reading rooms, a computer lab, a music room, an exercise room, locker rooms for the pool and gymnasium, and additional support spaces. This tour will look at these and other interior spaces designed by Shinberg Levinas for the public charter school. AIA Potomac Valley has applied for 1.5 LU/HSW for this program.

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CRAN - Custom Residential Design in Today's Coastal Climate

Wednesday, June 22 - 6:30-9:00 pm
Designing homes in a coastal environment has always presented special challenges not typically on the residential designer’s radar. This is increasingly true as climate change has intensified weather and tidal patterns, and as codes and regulations in critical areas and other coastal environments have become more stringent. The panel will discuss the challenges and opportunities that come with designing and building in today’s coastal environment. 2 LU/HSW

Panelists:
Randy Burton, Burton Builders, Lewes, Delaware
Designing a Firm: Technology - Hardware

The fourth session of our series “Designing a Firm: Technology” will address hardware options available to firms of all sizes for taking advantage of today’s technology. A panel of tech professionals will lead a discussion of topics including:

- Capabilities of laptops versus tablets
- Buying pre-packaged systems direct from manufacturers, from resellers or from retailers
- Advantages of building your own computer
- Demo on how to build your own computer

Come with your questions! 1 LU

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AIA News

AIA Contract Documents: Free Webinar

Architect’s Guide to Managing Risk on Residential Construction Projects
Tuesday, June 28, 3:00 PM EDT

Insurers report a disproportionate number of claims against architects concerning multi-family housing, especially condominiums. This leads to higher premiums and deductibles, and it caps the amount of condo work firms can accept. AIA Contract Documents experts will discuss unique issues in residential design-build, mixed-use and residential condominium construction and the relationship between developer-builders and architects.

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News Bites

Downtown Silver Spring Taps Students to Design Outdoor Office Space
Why Local Governments Need an Architect at the Table
AIA Simplified Reporting for for 2030 Carbon-Neutral Commitment
Architects Pan Chargers’ $1.8-Billion Plan

News Around Town

Graphic Charette - Women’s Leadership Summit 2017

Tuesday, June 14 - 6:00-8:00 pm
The AIA Women’s Leadership Summit is part of an ongoing national conversation for women in architecture. The 2-day Summit strives to engage speakers and attendees in an open, conversational setting to share both personal and work experiences toward positive contributions through the practice of architecture. The 2017 Summit will be in Washington DC.
The WLS Graphics Committee is looking for motivated designers to participate in an informal graphic charrette to set the general graphic precedent for the 2017 Summit. The goal of the charrette is to produce options that will guide all graphic materials to publicize and implement the event (website, swag bag, letterheads, program etc). Come join us and get your ideas heard! Participants will be noted on the AIA WLS website and social media sites. Please RSVP to contact.aiawls@gmail.com by June 13. Light refreshments will be provided.

How To Submit Winning Design Awards Entries

Presented by the AIABaltimore Practice Management and Design Awards Committees

Tuesday, June 14 - 9:00-10:00 am  
Engineers Club, 11 West Mount Vernon Place, Baltimore  
This informative presentation will brief participants on award-winning best practices in design awards submissions, increase awareness of the requirements and review process, and encourage architects to submit projects for AIA Design Awards. 1 LU

Presenters:
Pauline Harris – Spin, LLC  
Scott Knudson, AIA – AIA Maryland and AIA Potomac Valley Past President; Wiencek + Associates Architects + Planners  
Scott Walters, AIA – AIABaltimore Board Member; Hord Coplan Macht

REGISTER to attend in person; AIA Potomac Valley is also working on a webinar option - details will be shared by separate email as soon as they are available.

The AIA Trust Legal Network

AIA members and their firms can now find qualified A/E Construction Lawyers to help when it’s needed most—in handling a pending claim or another A/E legal matter. Visit the searchable database.

Also read The AIA Trust’s Tips & Guidelines for Working With Attorneys.

Check out all the listings on the AIA Potomac Valley Job Board!

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