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SAA ANNUAL CONFERENCE AND AGM

Thursday May 4, 2017 to Saturday May 6, 2017

Where: [Sheraton Cavalier Hotel](#), Saskatoon

A block of rooms will be held until **April 4**. Book your room today and plan to attend.

- **May 4:** *Building Community: Forum of Indigenous Leaders*, Keynote address, and RAIC

Indigenous Task Force exhibit, Saskatoon Public Library (downtown)

- **May 5:** 2017 SAA Conference, Sheraton Cavalier
- **May 6:** SAA Members Forums and AGM, President's Dinner, Sheraton Cavalier

Building Community Forum – Indigenous community leaders will be presenting their perspectives and experience on building community, followed by a facilitated panel discussion.

Keynote Address – [Shaun Loney “Army of Problem Solvers](#)

The presenter is a social enterprise developer who makes the case that social enterprises, entrepreneurs and the ‘small farm’ movement comprise the ‘solutions’ economy which government can’t solve. At the heart of this strategy is a big step towards creating a new Nations-to-Nations relationship and First Nations reconciliation: renewable energy, transforming local food economies, basic income guarantees.

SAA Conference – Indigenous architectural practitioners and educators from Canada and the U.S. will be using their work and experience to illustrate the conference theme, followed by a panel discussion.

SAA Members Forums and AGM – The Annual General Meeting will cover the events that occurred for the association for the FY 2016, and will include Council elections. The Members Forums will concentrate on sessions of importance to member practice, and the self-regulating requirements of the professional association.

More details and registration information will be available shortly.

Call for Topics for Annual Member Forum

The SAA Practice Committee is interested in hearing from members regarding topics for the 2017 SAA Member Forum. Historically, the Member Forum/Bear Pit has been a great opportunity for members to discuss topics relevant to the profession in a more informal way. In preparation for this year's Member Forum, we would like to solicit input from members on topics of interest. **Please send your topic suggestions to Whitney at whitney@saskarchitects.com by April 6th.**

SAA Guide to Continuing Education, 2016 - 2018 Cycle Updates

On November 16, 2016 the SAA Council approved minor updates to the **CURRENT** Guide to Continuing Education for the **July 1, 2016 – June 30, 2018 cycle**. The updated guide can be found on the [SAA website](#).

These updates provide for clarification and minor revisions for the current reporting cycle. Below is a list of the important changes that all members should be aware of:

- Required Record Keeping Time period has been changed from 3 years to 4 years. This change was made to account for the two-year cycle and the use of carry-forward hours which can result in learning units dating back to 4 years. These records would be required should a member be audited.
- Carry-over hours for core is to be placed in the ‘other’ category and not in the ‘course’ category. This change provides consistency between both Core and Self Directed.
- Under Self-Directed Learning the ‘other’ category has been increased to 50 hours accepted per two-year cycle. This change allows members to more easily categorize and get credit for excess core hours transferred to self-directed as well as self-directed carry forward hours.

All members are recommended to review the [new guide](#) to ensure that their continuing education reporting is correct.

CSC Regina Chapter Lunch & Learn

Date: Thursday, March 23
12:00 PM – 1:00 PM
Bushwakker Brewing, 206 Dewdney Avenue
Regina

[Click here](#) to register

DESCRIPTION: Glen Lekach and Greg Murphy are Regina Lawyers who are going to present on:

- Current trends/common litigations in construction law
- Common mistakes and lessons learned with relation to construction & law
- Speak to interpretation of standard contract documents
- What precedent is there for supplementary general conditions? How well do they hold up in court? (some owner groups who write their own front end have approximately 10 pages of supplementary general conditions. Is it worth it?)
- Any recommendations or common problems for suppliers?
- Lien laws

This will be an informational session for all parties including but not limited to owners, contractors, designers, product reps, contract administrators, specifiers, and more!

Meet the Finalists: Where Our Paths Cross – Reconciliation Commemorative Artwork Concept Presentations

Since 2015, the City of Saskatoon has been working with the Saskatoon Tribal Council, Central Urban Métis Federation Inc., Office of the Treaty Commission, and other community groups, leaders, and institutions in Saskatchewan, to promote reconciliation.

In keeping with the Truth and Reconciliation Commission of Canada's Call to Action No. 79, the Saskatoon Tribal Council and the city are pleased to announce the three finalists for the "Where Our Paths Cross" Reconciliation Commemorative Artwork. The shortlisted finalists, in alphabetical order, are:

- Gordon Reeve,
- Rusnak-Gallant, and
- Sans Façon

"Where Our Paths Cross" is a commemorative art project commissioned to explore Indigenous, settler, and newcomer relations in Saskatoon. The artwork is intended to convey that Saskatoon is in Treaty Six Territory, is homeland of the Métis, and is a welcoming community to peoples from all over the world.

Finalists have been provided the option of siting their artwork in one of two locations: River Landing South or Victoria Park.

Thursday, March 23
6:30 pm to 8:30 pm – Concept Presentations

Cosmo Civic Centre – 2nd Floor Theatre
3130 Laurier Drive

The three finalists will present their concepts and preferred location, as well as answer questions from the community. A specially-appointed selection committee will take the community's feedback into consideration when making the final selection for the winning artist.

This project is funded in part by the Government of Canada.

For more City of Saskatoon news, program information, Service Alerts, Traffic Detours, and links to our social media channels, please visit saskatoon.ca.

Edmonton Mid-rise Workshop

Date: March 31, 2017, 8:30 am to 5:00pm

The MATRIX Hotel, 10640 100ave NW, Edmonton, AB

Cost: Registration \$250 + GST

Registration with Handbook* \$350 + GST *Mid-rise Wood-Frame Construction Handbook

Spaces are limited, don't miss out on this opportunity!

[Visit our website for session outlines and registration](#)

Register directly: [Click Here](#)

The upcoming workshop further develops the information provided in our earlier mid-rise workshops. The sessions are designed to help designers navigate the challenges of mid-rise construction in wood.

Sessions offer experienced advice on the design process and the construction site as well as a quick review of the resources available through FPInnovations on mid-rise construction.

Registration closes on March 27 unless already sold out (seating is limited).

www.wood-works.ca

New Sessions and Speakers

Fire Safety During the Course of Construction

Steve Craft, Ph. D., P. Eng., CHM Fire Consultants Ltd.

Common Mid-Rise Structural Design Challenges – and Solutions

Steve McManus, P. Eng., Weyerhaeuser

Building Enclosures for 5 & 6 Storey Mid-Rise Wood Buildings – Lessons Learned & Best Practices

Graham Finch, MASC, P. Eng., Principal, Building Science Research Specialist, RDH Building Engineering Ltd.

Acoustic Considerations for Wood Frame Construction

Russ Lewis, M.Eng., P.Eng, Senior Consultant / Principal, Rowan Williams Davies & Irwin Inc.

Resource for Wood-Frame Mid-Rise Construction

Steven Kuan, PhD, P.Eng, Research Manager Advanced Building Systems; FP Innovations

[Read more](#)

Building Standards and Licensing Branch Upcoming Workshops

Building Standards and Licensing Branch will be hosting three workshops in the upcoming months. Registration is required for each workshop to ensure adequate materials are available for participants. Please select the appropriate registration for each workshop you wish to attend and return it to our office.

[The Uniform Building and Standards Accessibility Act Part V Enforcement Workshop](#)

March 29, 2017 – Regina

The workshop is offered as a preconference workshop in association with the Saskatchewan Building Officials Spring Conference. This workshop will review The Uniform Building and Accessibility Standards Act and regulations specific to the work of a building official. The workshop will include powers, orders, appeal process, and enforcement.

[2015 Code Adoption Workshop](#)

April 18, 2017 (Regina) & April 20, 2017 (Saskatoon)

This workshop will highlight significant changes in the National Building Code 2015 and National Fire Code 2015. Both codes are proposed for adoption and in force on July 1, 2017. The workshops will be of interest to building owners, industry, municipal officials, building officials, fire inspectors, designers, and other interested code users.

[Legislative Framework Workshop](#)

May 8 & 9, 2017 – Saskatoon

This workshop is available to all interested parties, but is a requirement for all new building officials and for current building officials who wish to renew their Building Official Licence after July 1, 2019.

AIBC 2017 Annual Conference: Interpreting Integration.

Dates: May 8 to 10

Where: Vancouver Convention Centre West

About the Conference: Integration has become integral to the practice of architecture, a profession increasingly geared towards collaboration with diverse experts and governing bodies. The annual conference will unite architects, intern architects, architectural technologists, builders, engineers, interior designers, researchers, students and other members of the design community to interpret integration as manifested in industry trends, technological advances and collaboration best practice.

The largest convergence of its kind in British Columbia, which runs over three days, the conference offers stimulating plenary sessions, intimate seminars, panel discussions and evening gatherings, all hosted at British Columbia's flagship convention centre—Vancouver Convention Centre West.

AIBC's 98th Annual Meeting will take place during the conference.

Conference Program

The AIBC's Professional Development Committee and Professional Services department have curated an outstanding selection of programs including a keynote presentation, plenary sessions, seminars, workshops, and panel discussions. We are pleased to introduce new offerings to the 2017 program

including the Networking Lounge, intern architect package, and emphasis on sustainable practices.

For more information about the AIBC 2017 Annual Conference, please visit www.conference.aibc.ca

We hope you join us for another exciting year.

OPEN presnets: [Maker, A Documentary on the Maker Movement](#)

From the makers of the film Design & Thinking, Maker looks into the current maker movement in America – a new wave of Do-It-Yourself and Do-It-Together fueled by passion and powered by the advance of new technologies. Featuring 3D printers, drones and user-friendly electronics.

Date: Thursday March 30

Film: 7:00 pm

Frances Morrison Central Library Theatre

311 – 23rd St East, Saskatoon SK

Prior to the film, visit booths from local maker spaces to see demos and to learn more about maker facilities right here in YXE! Featuring SciFi Science Camps, PAVED Arts, SCYAP, Saskatoon Techworks, Create Cafe, Saskatoon Makerspace + more.

Following the film, hear from local entrepreneurs and makers, and what maker equipment is available at your local library.

Presented in conjunction with the Saskatoon Public Library and the GDC.
DesignHouse films are open to the public and free admission.

Lieutenant Governor's Heritage Awards Call for Nominations

Heritage Saskatchewan is hosting the 2017 Lieutenant Governor's Heritage Awards. The event will take place at Government House on June 14 and will be presented by the Lieutenant Governor of Saskatchewan, Her Honour the Honourable Vaughn Solomon Schofield. This annual event recognizes the dedication of building owners, the wisdom and skill of designers and the exceptional achievements of local craftspeople, all of whom contribute to the preservation of Saskatchewan's architectural heritage.

Awards may be made in the following categories

- Architectural Conservation
- Architectural Rehabilitation
- Architectural Adaptive Re-Use
- Architectural Sympathetic New Construction
- Heritage Landscape and other Contextual Works
- Signage, Monuments and Interpretation
- Education, Heritage Events and Publishing
- Long Term Stewardship of a Heritage Property

Eligibility

- Eligible projects must have been substantially completed by **March 31, 2017**.

Submission & Adjudication Process

- Deadline for Submissions is March 31, 2017
- See the adjoining page for details pertaining to Submission Requirements
- Project submissions are nominated by the public
- Selection is through a peer jury process
- Projects selected for awards will be notified in April
- The Awards ceremony will be held June 14th, at Government House, Regina
- Nominations should be sent by email to: info@heritagesask.ca
- For additional information: 306 780-9191

Candidates sought: Canadian Commission on Construction Materials Evaluation (CCCME)

March 2017

The National Research Council is seeking candidates to serve on the [Canadian Commission on Construction Materials Evaluation \(CCCME\)](#). The CCCME was established by the NRC to provide policy advice on all matters pertaining to the operation of NRC-CONST's Canadian Construction Materials Centre (NRC/CONST-CCMC) and to ensure the reliability and quality of technical decisions and reporting. NRC/CONST-CCMC offers a national evaluation service for innovative construction materials, products, systems and services used in commercial and residential buildings. Its evaluations are based on the requirements of the National Building Code of Canada and supported by the latest technical research and expertise.

CCCME members are selected from a mix of backgrounds to ensure that the Commission can address both policy and technical issues in a manner representative of the different regions of Canada, sectors of the construction industry, and users of the evaluation, technical information and listing services offered by NRC/CONST-CCMC. Members are expected to exercise broad objective judgments and are chosen for their individual experience and abilities rather than as delegates or representatives of any particular association or group. They are not permitted to name alternates.

CCCME members are appointed by the NRC. Such appointments do not carry remuneration, but travel and accommodation expenses incurred to assist in Commission meetings, typically held once a year, are reimbursed by the NRC. The term of appointment is normally three years; members may be re-appointed for further terms subject to maintaining a reasonable degree of membership rotation. New appointments and re-appointments will be effective November 1, 2017.

The Commission is currently seeking representation from the following sectors:

- Regulatory: provincial, territorial and municipal building officials, municipal administrators
- Manufacturing: building materials, products and systems manufacturers
- Major users: architects, engineers, contractors, specification writers, and private and federal agencies with an ownership mandate
- General: those associated with the construction industry in an independent capacity, which may include independent research, testing and certification agencies.

Individuals interested in serving on the CCCME are asked to submit a resumé with details of their professional history by April 17, 2017 to:

Mrs. H.V. Roche
Secretary, CCCME

