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NWTAAs Retiring ED Receives Honorary RAIC Membership

At the Festival of Architecture in Winnipeg (May 28-30, 2014), Architecture Canada [RAIC] presented outgoing NWTAAs Executive Director Deleigh Rausch with an Honorary Membership amid a crowd of hundreds. The honour follows Deleigh's retirement after seven years of service with both her local association and national committees and initiatives.

"This is a very exciting moment," Deleigh said before being called to the stage. "I'm honoured," she added, immediately realizing the unintentional pun, "that the profession has done this."

Officially retiring on June 26, she intends to stay connected with the profession and her former counterparts in some capacity, perhaps volunteering at the 2015 Festival in Calgary.

Special General Meeting & Celebration

The NWTAAs will be holding a Special General Meeting on Friday, June 13, 2014 at 5:15pm at the Northern Frontier Visitors Centre in Yellowknife, NWT, to put forward a proposed bylaw amendment (previously sent to members by email on May 8).

Following the meeting, all members are invited to an open house wine & cheese event to celebrate the retirement of our Minister's Representative of 12 years, Larry Elkin, and our Executive Director of 7 years, Deleigh Rausch. **[See page 4]**

ExAC Registration for November 2014 Now Open

The registration period for ExAC 2014 - November 3-4, 2014 - is June 1st to July 15th, 2014.

Completed registration forms, attachments and payment must be received by your licensing authority (ie, NWTAA) by 12:00 PM (noon) on the last day of the registration period.

Within 30 days of receiving an intern's application, the licensing authority will issue a letter of acknowledgement. After approval, applicants will receive, by mail at least two

weeks prior to the examination date, a letter of authorization advising you of the date, time and location of the examination venue. Applicants must bring the letter with them to the ExAC session.

Examination will proceed as scheduled regardless of weather conditions. Interns are responsible for making arrangements to arrive at the test site on the scheduled dates and times. Refunds will not be issued to those failing to attend the examination on the dates and times indicated because of weather conditions.

Mandatory ConEd Reporting Deadline is June 30, 2014

The two-year reporting period deadline of **Monday, June 30, 2014** is fast approaching, so please be sure to enter all your Learning Hours prior to that date.

NWTAA Practice Bulletin #3, which can be found on the **NWTAA website**, provides a comprehensive outline of Mandatory Continuing Education in the NWT, including a detailed allocation chart.

Architects Reporting to NWTAA

NWTAA uses the National ConEd database provided by Architecture Canada (RAIC). To access your transcript and add/edit your hours, visit the RAIC Transcript site at **www.raic.org/transcripts**. [For assistance with your username and password, contact the NWTAA office.]

If you are also registered in another jurisdiction, complete and submit the Designation/Release form before June 16.

Architects Reporting Elsewhere

Out-of-territory NWTAA Registered Architects may elect to report compliance with the NWTAA by means of reciprocity. If you chose this option in January 2013, you need only to report in your jurisdiction in which you had indicated. The NWTAA office will be contacting your

jurisdiction office for confirmation of compliance. For Architects that joined the NWTAA after January 2013, this office will contact you for clarification where you will be reporting. As well, complete and submit an Equivalency Request form by June 16.

Please contact the NWTAA office with any questions or concerns about your Mandatory Continuing Education requirements and reporting.

Council Meetings

Unless otherwise noted, Council meets on the second Tuesday of every month at 12:00 Noon at the NWTAA office (4807 49th Street, Yellowknife NT).

Items for review/consideration by the Council should be submitted no later than one week before each meeting.

Upcoming Meetings

Thursday, June 12

Friday, June 13 [Special General Meeting]

Tuesday, July 8

Tuesday, August 12

Call for Proposals

CANADIAN REPRESENTATION AT THE 15TH INTERNATIONAL ARCHITECTURE EXHIBITION

The Canada Council for the Arts invites proposals for the Canadian representation at the 2016 Venice Biennale in Architecture, to be shown in the Canada Pavilion at Venice and in Canada.

The Venice Biennale in Architecture is the foremost international platform where to engage critical conversations on contemporary architecture. Cultural leaders, architects, artists, and more than 350,000 visitors are expected at the Biennale between June and November 2016.

The proposed presentation should communicate excellence, innovation, and currency in contemporary

Canadian architecture including buildings, landscapes and places, or in works of critical and (or) design research on architecture, landscape architecture or the urban environment.

The deadline date to present a submission is Wednesday, 15 October 2014.

For eligibility, and application information visit :
canadacouncil.ca/en/visual-arts/venice-biennale



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AIBC Annual Conference

OCTOBER 8-10, 2014 VANCOUVER CONVENTION CENTRE WEST

The Architectural Institute of British Columbia's annual conference brings together architects, intern architects, architectural technologists, builders, engineers, interior designers, faculty, students and other members of the design community to learn about industry trends, technological advances and best practices. This annual gathering, the largest of its kind in British Columbia, is also a chance to network, socialize and celebrate the innovative, impactful work of practitioners and theorists. The conference runs over three days and includes a keynote presentation, plenary sessions, seminars, workshops, panel discussions, networking receptions and an industry exhibitor show.

The 2014 conference theme is *Shifting Perspectives*. The theme acknowledges that, as a society, we are continually re-inventing the way we think, live, work and play in our world. Architects respond to this ever-changing landscape

by evolving in many ways – from the way they communicate and conduct business to the way they plan and build for the future. Naturally in the process, points of friction arise, which keep architects engaged and excited. How architects respond will determine architecture's relevance in years to come.

This year's conference is expected to include a particular focus on matters related to the Pacific Rim, including information pertaining to future design directions, community needs and business practices. An anticipated 400–450 delegates will be in attendance.

The 2014 Annual Conference web site will be live soon, complete with additional conference details. For updates, visit www.aibc.ca/membersite/celebrating-architecture/aibc-annual-conference/

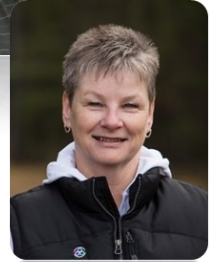


To all members:

The NWTAA is opening its office doors to celebrate the commitment and dedication of a retiring member of council and retiring staff member. Join us for wine & cheese following the 5:15pm Special General Meeting.

Friday, June 13, 2014 - 5:30pm
Northern Frontiers Visitors Centre
Yellowknife, NWT

Please respond by June 6.



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Free checklist for inspecting insulation jobs available from NAIMA Canada

A free tool is now available to help inspect residential and commercial insulation jobs. Released by NAIMA Canada, *Key Checklist For Inspecting Insulation Jobs* is a useful information source for determining whether the insulation in walls, ceilings and floors is properly installed. Key Checklist is laminated and conveniently sized to fit into a shirt pocket or a toolbox. It also comes in a printer-friendly wallet sized version.

"While building codes vary widely across the country, there are best practices that can be followed for the most common insulation applications," said Jay Nordenstrom, Executive Director of NAIMA Canada. "This checklist was developed to provide a quick and convenient information source for contractors, home inspectors and DIY renovators."

Key Checklist can also be used by new home purchasers prior to delivery inspection or homeowners looking to ensure proper installation by contractors on major home renovations.

Insulation keeps houses warm in the winter and cool in the summer, and saves energy from the day it is installed. To keep its occupants comfortable, buildings with inadequate insulation require the heat or air conditioning to be cranked up, which results in higher energy bills.

Properly installed insulation improves comfort and decreases the amount of energy used, lowering your monthly heating bill and the associated greenhouse gas emissions. Savings vary. Find out why in the seller's fact sheet on R-values. Higher R-values mean greater insulating power.