

THE REGION OF THE VIRGINIAS

October 2012 Report

HEADLINES

Regional Meeting



The Region of the Virginias will meet on Thursday November 8, 2012 in room E11b after the VSAIA Business meeting. At that time, I'll give updates from the past year and talk about the process for electing a new Regional Director for the Virginia in 2013 to take over the role in January 2014. Details are also included in this report. (See New Regional Director, below)

One-on-One Mentoring – Career Compass

The Associate Director serving on the Virginia Society AIA Board, Philip Donovan AIA, has launched the Career Compass program in the Richmond Metro area with 14 participants. He will present a session titled, "Lessons Learned – How to Find, Nurture and Maintain a Positive and Rewarding Mentorship" at Architecture Exchange East on Thursday November 8th at 10:45am. Following that, the mentors and protégés will meet in November 15th to review personality traits and how those may influence how we communicate with and relate to each other.

YAF Regional Director



Corey Clayborne, AIA will be presenting a session at Architecture Exchange East titled, "Propelling the Emerging Professional: YAF Summit20 Synopsis". This session will be held on Thursday November 8th at 8:30am. Corey will review the findings from the YAF summit that took place in Washington DC last summer. www.aia.org/yafsummit20

New Regional Director

Since my term will expire in December 2013, we've put together a timeline for nominating and selecting a new Regional Director for the Virginias to start their term January 2014 which will coincide with the Presidency of Helene Combs Dreiling FAIA. This promises to be an exciting time to be part of the AIA National Board! The timeline and process is outlined below.

Timeline:

June 2013	Regional Director requests names of nominees from Chapters and the Regional Board. Notice is given to all AIA Virginia and AIA West Virginia members via their websites. A nominating committee is appointed by the Regional Director.
July 2013	Nominations are closed.
August 2013	Nominating committee reviews the list of candidates and selects a nominee.
September 2013	Nominating committee presents the nominee to the Region of the Virginias Board. The Regional Board then elects the new Regional Director.
September 2013	AIA National is notified of the next Regional Director. The Regional Director-Elect is appointed to a committee and entered into the e-mail system.
Oct – Nov 2013	Regional Director-Elect shadows existing Regional Director and learn about processes, responsibilities and organizational matters.
December 2013	Regional Director-Elect attends orientation in Washington DC.
January 2014	New Regional Director starts his or her term.

DETAILS

CHAPTER VISITS

As Regional Director, I try to meet with each Chapter every year. So far, I've met with AIA Northern Virginia, AIA Central Virginia, AIA West Virginia and AIA Richmond. Although I missed AIA Blue Ridge and AIA Hampton Roads this year, I hope to meet with them next year. Since mentoring is so important to keeping our young professionals in the AIA, I'll be happy to do a presentation for any chapter who is interested. Philip Donovan and I are looking for mentoring coordinators from each chapter as well.

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