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Arlington, VA  
June 6-8, 2019  
A'19 AIA Conference on  
Architecture 2019  
Las Vegas, NV

**HAPPY NEW  
YEAR AND BEST  
WISHES FOR  
2019!**



## **SAVE THE DATE! Fellows Fete 2019: March 23rd** **Le Meridien Hotel, Arlington, Virginia**

Le Méridien Hotel is located at 1121 19th Street North, Arlington, VA 22209. This is a luxury hotel located almost on the Potomac River's edge, a five-minute walk from the Key Bridge or the Rosslyn METRO station.

A block of hotel rooms will be reserved for us at \$159.00/double. Details will be provided later. *Do not try to register at this time.*

*Architecture above: Le Meridien. Lower right. Fellows Fete 2018. Remember the wonderful time we all had in Richmond! Front row, left to right: New Fellows Edwin Schmidt, Robert Steele, Edward Tucker (AIAWV), Donna Pfaneuf and Nick Serfass. Second row: Sharon Park, Valerie Hassett, Elizabeth (Jo) Lawson, Donna Dunay, Helene Dreiling, Lori Garrett, Hugh Miller, Bo Guffey. Third row: Paul Barkley, Peyton Boyd, Jack Davis, Jane Wright Rathbone, Paul Erickson, Mike Evans. Fourth row: Robert Dunay, Michel Ashe, Carlton Abbott, Robert Boynton, Baird Smith, Michael Bednar, Robert Brown, Joe Wisnewski. Not in photo: Kevin Sneed.*

## Year in Review - 2018



Valerie Hassett, FAIA

### Please Remember...

*to always provide your local chapter with changes in your contact data, especially your email address. This will assure you will receive all chapter and Fellows announcements.*

A range of activities has occurred to support the 75 Fellows in the Region of The Virginias during the past year.

Starting off, the 2018 Fellows Fete was a sensational success, with a higher attendance than the last several years. Hosted at Westwood Club, Richmond, the fete celebrated five new Fellows: **Donna Phaneuf, Edwin Schmidt, Nick Serfass, Robert Steele, and Edward Tucker.**

Before the Fete there was a behind-the-scenes tour of the new Markel Center, ICA that was designed by Steven Holl Architects. The Markel Center provides a dramatic space for the Virginia Commonwealth School of the Arts. Many thanks to **Mary Cox** for her assistance in coordinating the tour.

This spring a survey was sent to all regional AIA members who may be eligible to apply for Fellowship. From the interactive survey, 86 people indicated that they are interested in more information about Fellowship. Follow-up communication was sent, including links to national information and an invitation to be paired up with a Fellow to provide additional resources.

During the Regional Representatives Annual Meeting at national convention, it was announced that AIA, Hampton Roads [yaf]CON conference would receive an AIA College of Fellows grant. Additionally, the new College of Fellows Legacy Members were announced, including **Paula Loomis** and **Steven Loomis**. Also in 2018, the Legacy 20 level of donation was achieved by **William Vosbeck**. Thanks to everyone who has supported the COF and for your ongoing commitment to AIA.

This year the Virginias Fellows have increased our electronic presence; we now have a web page. Included on the page are links to information about individual Fellows. If you have not taken the opportunity to respond to the request for biographic information, it is still not too late to have your information added to the web page. Just send an email to [info@valeriehassett.com](mailto:info@valeriehassett.com) to get the process started.

Fellows actively participated in ArchEx. Along with the annual Fellows Breakfast, a seminar about best practices for crafting Fellowship submissions was led by **Helene Combs Dreiling**.

Finally, I am very sad to share that two of our long-time, beloved members have passed away since the last newsletter. Tributes to **Bruce M. Justice** and **Charles W. Steger, Jr.** appear in the In Memorium section on the following page.

As for this year, planning for activities has already begun. The 2019 Fellows Fete is scheduled for March 23 at Le Meridien Hotel in Arlington. The hotel is part of Waterview, a one million square foot multi-use complex designed by Pei Cobb Freed & Partners.

Best to everyone in the New Year, as we all await the February announcement of members who will be elevated to the College of Fellows in 2019.

*Valerie Hassett, FAIA  
Regional Representative for the Virginias  
College of Fellows*

## Congratulations

**Jack Davis**, FAIA, was selected in November to receive the William C. Nolan award by AIA Virginia. The highest award bestowed on a member architect, it honors his distinguished accomplishments, transcending the scope of normal professional activities.



Jack Davis, FAIA



*Bruce M. Justice, FAIA*

## **In Memorium**

**Bruce Morgan Justice, FAIA**, departed this life on All Saints Day, November 1, 2018. He was predeceased by his wife of 39 years, Linda Hayes Justice, and is survived by his wife of the last eight years, Sandra McGehee Justice; his sons, Brian C. Justice (Michaelle), Todd M. Justice (Emily); grandchildren, several nephews and nieces, as well as many friends and loved ones.

He graduated in 1967 from the Architecture School of the University of Virginia and was licensed in Virginia in 1969. In 1984, the President of the AIA National invited him to serve as a Trustee and later, as an officer of the AIA Trust. In 2007, he was elected President of AIA Richmond and elevated to Fellow in 2009, completing a three-year term as our Regional Representative in 2017.



*Charles W. Steger, Jr., FAIA*

**Charles W. Steger Jr., FAIA**, died Sunday, May 6, 2018 at his home in Blacksburg. He was the fifteenth president of Virginia Tech. He was a loving husband to Janet and father of David and Christopher. He began his association with the university as a freshman architecture student in 1965, earned three degrees, and served as professor, dean, and vice president before retiring as president in 2014. He was devoted to his family and to his university, which he called home for more than 50 years.

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