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Annual Report

2017

2017 was a tremendous year for AIA Japan. We increased our membership to 78, had more participation in our meetings, local activities and overseas events than ever before, and developed stronger and more meaningful relationships with other societies, including JIA (Japan Institute of Architects), SAME (Society of American Military Engineers), ACCJ (American Chamber of Commerce Japan), UIA (International Union of Architects), and PechaKucha.

AIA Japan is also working closely with AIA's COD (Committee on Design) for their visit to Japan in 2020. Takashi Yanai FAIA is Chairman of the COD for 2020 and has been visiting Japan recently and will be joining AIA Japan Chapter this year. AIAJ is also supporting AIA's Architectural Adventures, which will be bringing a tour to Japan this year.

The great successes accomplished by the Chapter this year were directly as a result of the superlative efforts of the superlative Board that served during my term as President:

Vice-President Daishi Yoshimoto, AIA
Secretary Akira Nakamura, AIA
Treasurer Hisaya Sugiyama, AIA
2016 President George Kunihiro, FAIA
2015 President Richard Moriwaki, AIA

Next year's Officers will be terrific, and will be led by Daishi Yoshimoto:

President Daishi Yoshimoto, AIA
Vice-President / President-Elect Akira Nakamura, AIA
Secretary Yasushi "Leo" Nishimura, AIA Intl Assoc., SAME
Treasurer Hisaya Sugiyama, AIA
2017 President / International Board Scott Gold, AIA, SAME
2016 President George Kunihiro, FAIA

Thank you all for making my year as President so rewarding; I look forward to supporting Daishi and his team this year. In the meanwhile, please enjoy the attached highlights of 2017.

Sincerely,

Scott Gold, AIA
AIA Japan 2017 President



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LOCAL HIGHLIGHTS AND OVERSEAS EVENTS

Local highlights included great CES lectures by _Opolis, Øivind Slaatto, and James Cutler. SAME sponsored two multi-day events - Industry Day at Yokota Airbase in April and the Okinawa Engineering Symposium in Okinawa in November. ACCJ organized a tour of the new Coca Cola building in Shibuya, by Jun Mitsui and Associates (Jun Mitsui, AIA). The CES lecture series is made possible via the generosity and cooperation of our sponsors Arper and Louis Poulsen and we extend our warm thanks to them.

Overseas events included the Grassroots Conference in Washington, DC (February), the National Convention in Orlando (June), and the International Region Conference in Prague (October). At the IR conference, it was officially announced that Canada has been officially sanctioned as 7th Chapter of the IR (the other 6 are Japan, Hong Kong, Shanghai, Great Britain, Continental Europe, and Middle East). Future IR Chapters in our part of the world may include Singapore and Korea. The UIA Conference Seoul was held in September, with half a dozen AIA Japan members in attendance.



Opolis Architects, Mumbai at Arper showroom.



Øivind Slaatto at Louis Poulsen showroom.



James Cutler lecture.



Prague.



AIA Japan members at the IR Conference, Prague.



International Region Design Award Ceremony.



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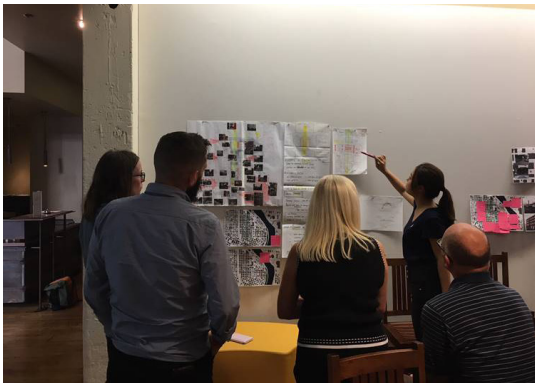


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STUDENT INTERNSHIP PROGRAM

We have been lucky to have another terrific year with our Student Internship Program, where we sent another group of 6 young architects and future AIA members to the Pacific Northwest. The trip took place 27 August – 16 September. As usual, we have been lucky to get great coordination from Yasuyuki Yanagisawa, who has been spearheading this important aspect of our Chapter since its inception.

This year's students were: Takuyo Fuse, Syunsuke Yoshida, Momoko Nakaoka, Ryo Narita, Yumiko Inoue, Haruka Tanaka, and Jonah Jumila. Fuse-san gave a Pechakucha-style presentation of their trip to the Pacific Northwest. This year the Student Program was supported by Autodesk.



Intern Minami Tanaka at Mahlum Architects.



Intern Yumiko Inoue at SRG Partnership.



Student reception at UDS Harajuku office.



PECHA KUCHA NIGHT AND AIA DESIGN AWARDS

This is the second year in a row that we have patterned with Mark Dytham and Astrid Klein to hold our final event of the year at Super Deluxe, PechaKucha style. The evening comprised of AIA Design Awards, AIA Student Challenge in English, and AIA Student Program Report. The event was kindly co-sponsored by Louis Poulsen, Arper, and Autodesk.

AIA DESIGN AWARDS

This year, we had excellent entries, judged by a very fine jury - Waro Kishi, Takaharu Tezuka, and Tom Heneghan.

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2017 Design Awards
アメリカ建築家協会日本支部

CALL FOR ENTRIES
デザイン賞開催

SCHEDULE / 日程

1. ENTRY DUE / エントリー提出期限
November 10th, 2017 / 2017年11月10日
2. SUBMISSION DUE / エントリー作品提出期限
November 17th, 2017 / 2017年11月17日
3. THE AWARD RECOGNITIONS RECEPTION / デザイン賞受賞式
December 9th, 2017 / 2017年12月9日

AWARD / 賞
AIA Japan Award / 優秀賞
Honorable Mention / 佳作賞

JURORS / 審査委員
Waro Kishi / 岸和郎
KAZUOKUJI / 角久樹
Takaharu Tezuka / 手塚崇博
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Tom Heneghan / トム・ヘネガン
PechaKucha, Mayor University of the Arts

ENTRY FEE / 応募費用
10,000 JPY Yen per submission

ELIGIBILITY / 応募資格
Entrants must be AIA members assign to Japan chapter in good standing, including Resident, Associate and International Associate, and AIA honorary members. The membership has to be valid and active as of November 10th, 2017.
応募者は2017年11月10日現在、アメリカ建築家協会日本支部の会員、アソシエイト会員、インターナショナルアソシエイト会員、又は名誉会員の方。

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2017・12・09 SAT. ARCHITECTURE CHALLENGE IN ENGLISH POWERED BY PECHAKUCHA
@ 6:30PM

会場
SUPER DELUXE
東京都港区
高輪5-1-25 B1F

VENUE:
SUPER DELUXE
B1F 2-1-25 NISHI-AZABU
MINATO-KU, TOKYO

参加資格: 建築、インテリア、ランドスケープ、都市デザインを専攻する大学又は専門学校で学ぶ学生であること。
ELIGIBILITY: Current Students Majoring In Architecture, Interior Design, Landscape Design, Or Urban Design.

申込対象: AIA JAPAN サイト/ウェブサイト/ダウンロードして欲しい。
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THIS YEAR'S WINNERS



AIA Japan Award for Architecture: Hiroyuki Ito, AIA International Associate
Tatsumi Apartment House



AIA Japan Award for Interior Architecture: Nachiko Yamamoto, AIA (Gensler)
Nomura Research Institute, Office Relocation (Minatomirai)



Honorable Mention, Nachiko Yamamoto, AIA (Gensler)
Accenture Digital Hub



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AIA JAPAN ARCHITECTURE ENGLISH CHALLENGE NIGHT

6 students were selected to give presentations of their research and work – again, pechakucha style. The presentations were quite varied and quite exceptional, from the study of pedestrian bridges to living on Mars.

The presenters were:

Zdenka Havlova – Pedestrian Overpasses

Kaede Hatashima – Form of Objects / Objects of Form

Luciana Tenorio – Architecture on Mars

Ryusuke Baba & Tomohiro Aoyama – Replacement of Existing Material Characteristics

Vimu Heenkenda – Upside/Down and Gate Kiosk



DON YOSHINO FAIA

Although Don Yoshino FAIA is not a member of the Japan Chapter, he did live in Tokyo and was one of my predecessors at PAE Japan, running the operation from 1973 – 1977. The original Tokyo American Club, Australian Embassy Housing, and many other projects were executed during Don's tenure with PAE. After this period, he returned to the USA and eventually settled in Florida, where he has his own practice.

On 03 November 2017, the Government of Japan conveyed the Order of the Rising Sun, Gold and Silver Rays on Don. This is one of the highest honors given to a civilian from a foreign country - only 149 people received such an honor worldwide. The honor was bestowed upon Don in recognition of his commitment to the Morikami Museum and Japanese Gardens and his promotion of understanding Japanese culture.

Don is a san-sei. He grew up in California, though he was born in Colorado at the Amache Granada Relocation Center in Colorado – an internment camp - during WWII. Don visited Japan, bringing university students with him and met with some of our members. He plans to come back again this year, and if so, let us give him a warm AIA Japan welcome.



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