Words from the President

Erin Jennings

We are welcoming spring with open arms at the IIDA Indiana Chapter! We have had an extremely busy and exciting first quarter to 2015, and we are so thrilled that you all have been a part of it! New updates are included from Melissa Laviolette, VP of Advocacy, on the Association’s Advocacy website page. This is HUGE as we continue to make a strong and solid stance on the importance of Interior Design in the State of Indiana.

We had a phenomenal turn out at the 2015 IIDA Indiana Chapter IDEA Awards, where over 330 industry professional’s gathered for an evening to celebrate and honor the fantastic design work in this great State! The IIDA Indiana Chapter is also continuing to work diligently to continue to bring you quality programs, CEUs, and other events throughout the year!

The 2015 calendar is FULL! Don’t miss out on all of the good stuff that is getting ready to happen. (HINT HINT: The Golf Outing is coming BACK!)

Our involvement and attendance continues to build, and the momentum we are creating in this industry is so contagious! Can you feel it? The IUPUI Student Design Show, as well as the Pizza Meet-and-Greet at IPFW were educational events to engage and support our students and young designers. We are focused on mentoring and encouraging them all, as they are the future of this profession.

As my term comes to an end in June, the fabulous Dawn Terry, IIDA Indiana Chapter President-Elect is in process of Calling Out for Board Nominations. With this "call out", we are also structuring our City Center committees, in Indianapolis and Fort Wayne. If you are interested in getting more involved with the IIDA Indiana Chapter, please email Dawn!

IIDA Indiana Chapter 101: How is our Chapter Structured?
2015 IDEA Awards Amazing Success!

Nicole Kurtz

We are so thankful for the amazing design community that we have here in Indiana. The 2015 Indiana IDEA Awards was a fantastic event and evening that will not soon be forgotten. The sell out crowd had an amazing time enjoying the dinner and program.

There was music and dancing and of course some of the best designers in the state were recognized. The committee would like to thank every person that made this evening the night that it was.

To the designers, we thank you for sharing your talents and designs with all of us. Indiana is lucky to have the level of talent that was represented that evening. Huge congratulations to all of our award winners this year.

We would also to send a Special Congratulations to Phanomen Design for winning the Best of Show for Union 50!
Collaborative Spaces CEU

Lauren Baker

We had a fun time with friends and great food at Binkley’s Kitchen and Bar made possible by IIDA! Pam Rainey, the Creative and Thought Leader in Patcraft, came in to talk about Collaborative Spaces and trends that she sees occurring in the work force. Our work force seems to be going through pendulum extremes where we used to have a very closed off office environment with partitions, to today where a lot of offices are open desking and benching systems. Although this is important for collaboration, it is also important to give workers a choice of how they would like to work. Creating small focus booths are a great way to give workers some privacy in an open office environment. Pam was very energetic and
**Upcoming Events**

**View all events here**

**APR. 2015**
* April 29th: Miller House Architectural Tour

**MAY 2015**
* May 6th: Spring Networking Event, Ft. Wayne
* May 14th: Sponsorship Event
* May 13th: Legends in Design
* May 20th/Thursday May 21st: Knoll CEU

**JUNE 2015**
* June 5th - 7th: NCIDQ Q-Prep, Columbus, IN
* June 15th - 17th: NeoCon
* June 25th: Hinkle Tour, Butler University

**JULY 2015**
* July 8th: Herman Miller/Officeworks CEU
* July 10th - July 12th: NCIDQ Q-Prep, Indy
* July 15th: IIDA Indiana Chapter Annual Celebration
* July 22nd: Designers Give Back Event
* July 30th - August 1st: IIDA Board Retreat, Mohawk Group

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**The Wait is On! NCIDQ**

**Betsy Reilly**

The Spring NCIDQ Exam has come and gone and now the wait has begun for test results.

If you are planning to take the exam this upcoming Fall, here are a few important date reminders:

June 1: Fall 2015 Application Deadline for All Three Test Sections
June 5-7: Qprep Workshop in

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**Fort Wayne City Center Hosts IIDA 101: What’s Next? for IPFW Students**

**Lindsay Shutt**

The IIDA Indiana Chapter Fort Wayne City Center (FWCC) decided to team up with Luke Baskett, VP of Student Affairs, in reaching out to the interior design students at IPFW. Knowing that many students do not know the benefits of IIDA, the FWCC Committee headed out to the campus with pizzas, drinks and answers! The mix of 9 juniors and seniors were full of questions and eagerness to get involved.

With help from Dawn Terry, President-Elect & Treasurer, and Erin Jennings, President, the students left with new excitement for professional development after college and plans to form an IIDA Campus Center, which we all will be looking for at the start of next school year!

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**Legislative Update**

**Melissa Laviolette**

The Winter Chapter Leadership Conference (CLC) this year was heavily focused on Advocacy. The conference provided an opportunity to discuss and learn from experts in the field, and engage chapters from all over the country on how they handle advocacy related issues. IIDA headquarters developed a number of valuable handouts and materials that can be used to educate and guide the advocacy conversation. Look for these materials at the next IIDA Indiana event. Headquarters also completed an overhaul on the Advocacy section of their website. The updated site allows for tracking active bills by state, a means to contact state legislators, as well as provides literature and resources.
Columbus

July 10-12: Qprep Workshop in Indianapolis

August 3: Fall 2015 Application Deadline for the IDFX Section Only

September 10th: NCIDQ Study/Info Session

(If you need additional info, please go to www.ncidq.org)

Once you have your results, we would love to celebrate with you! Please share your success with us, so we can feature your name in the next newsletter!

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ZeroLandfill Indy, 2015, & You!

Sarah Savage

Greetings Design Industry!!!

I'm just here to touch base with you regarding a few ZeroLandfill topics. In fact, let's bullet point those babies to offer you an easy-read email.

- Please, please, please save your discontinued samples! I know it's tricky to find the space, but we are a resourceful group of people (literally, right?). Get clever!
- We are planning our next event for August. If you missed the first or have no idea what I'm talking about to begin with, check out the Facebook page.
- For the August event, we are on the hunt for an inexpensive (donated would be nice) space to hold it. We need at least 1000 sf to collect, sort, and distribute our treasures for about one week. Please let us know if you have any leads.
- On April 13, 14 and 15, we will have early sorting at Louisville Tile. Sign up here if you are interested in free food, socializing with peers, and pulling apart tile books. If you have materials that could be early sorted, let's get you on the calendar too!

Let's thank Wilsonart and Lumbermen's for being presenting sponsors. Additional thanks to sponsors Bruce Longhino Group, Cambria, Interface, Louisville Tile, Mayer Fabrics, MDC Wallcoverings, Momentum Group, and MSKTD & Associates. It's time to get involved with saving the planet! Let us know if you have questions or comments.

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Legislative Appreciation Day Photos by Melissa Laviolette
IUPUI Annual Student Design Show
Nicole Hinton
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Interior Design is a thriving career path for many students to invest in their futures. At IUPUI through the Purdue School of Engineering and Technology they offer an extremely innovative degree in Interior Design Technology. Within this degree, you discover the many facets of design for Interior Environment. IUPUI being in the heart of the city, provides a program that prides itself on real life experiences in design and being in touch with countless opportunities. One major way to showcase these emerging student designers is through the annual Student Design Organization Show. The SDO show allows students, teachers, brand representatives, and companies to all connect. Students display work done during their classes at IUPUI while also allowing them to see the innovations in design to implement their plans.

The 15th annual SDO show recently occurred on March 24, 2015. The day started with registration and a chance to glance around at all the students’ designs entered into a competition through SDO. A few keynote speakers provided information and insight on different areas of design pertaining to the students’ degree programs they are earning. Following the speakers, brand representatives and companies are given an opportunity to meet and interact with the student designers in order that the students could showcase their talents. At the close of the day, students were given the task of a design challenge to test their knowledge and skills followed by an award ceremony where individuals were recognized in the SDO show competition.

The SDO show is an enjoyable occasion that not only allows future Interior Designers to connect with professionals already in the field, it provides the professionals an outstanding venue to see the future raw talent coming to Interior Design. Being held its 15th year the show continues to be a great success for prospective designers and motivates future generations of students to continue to grow in their passion.

2015: A Big Year for IIDA Indiana Chapter
Andrea Cole

2015 has quickly begun to take shape in the design community. IIDA had no hesitation to start the year off right with the outstanding IDEA Awards! This event is just the prelude to many more exciting things to come this year. Now that spring is in the air and the sun is slowly warming our earth IIDA continues to work hard to make this year even better than the last. Just to name a few of the upcoming events: the golf outing (yes, it’s back!), various CEU’s, student events, tours, and much more! Use the events list in this Newsletter and start marking your calendar. I look forward to seeing many members old and new this year at these events!