Words from the President

Erin Jennings

What an incredible year 2014 has been! Thank you so much to our Chapter Membership, our Chapter Partners, and our Chapter Board of Directors for an absolutely successful year in Indiana. While we are winding down another year, we are most definitely gearing up for what is going to be an amazing 2015!

What a busy end of the year we have had. As you will see in this newsletter, our Chapter does not disappoint as we continue on the path to engage, educate, and advocate our design profession. Huge success goes out to the team of industry professionals who made Zero Landfill a tremendous success. With strategic planning and timing, this was most definitely a great experience and an even bigger impact on our local community and environment. Hopefully, you were able to take part of our other wonderful end-of-the-year events, such as the Mohawk Bus Trip (Thanks, The Mohawk Group!), Wine & Canvas, and tours of the IMA and Sidney & Lois Eskenazi Hospital. Also, I'd like to give our programs team (Mckenzie, Lee, and Kim), along with our City Center Directors, Lindsay and Jerod, a huge shout of for super successful and well-attended holiday parties in both City Centers!

As we look to yet another promising 2015, we are SO excited for what is to come! Our IDEA Awards Planning Committee is working diligently to bring you the best awards event to date! We are so excited to be holding this event at the Indiana State Museum on Friday, February 27th. I hope to see you all there! We will also be organizing another Day at the Statehouse, in conjunction with ASID and IDCI. Please stay tuned for more details on that coming up!

And last, but not least, we are so thrilled at the positive responses we have had, in regards to the new Chapter Partnership Campaign! Please help me welcome, and thank, the most generous Partners for the 2015 Calendar Year! Platinum Partners: The Mohawk Group, Patcraft, Shaw Contract, RJE Business Interiors, Louisville Tile Distributors/Crossville Tile; Silver Partner: DL Couch; Bronze Partners: J+J Invision, Commercial Office Environments, Interface, d2p, Formica; Partner Level: Modern Surfaces, Dan Binford & Associates, Architex, Milliken, Wolf Gordon, Assa Abloy, EJ Welch, Rowland Design, Ratio Architects, MDC Wallcovering, KI Binford Group, Schultz Marketing Group, Herman Miller, Koroseal, Officeworks, Humanscale, PPG Porter Paints, Business Furniture, Designtex, Coalesse, Steelcase, Mayer Fabrics, Lumberman's, Melissa Meeks & Associates, Armstrong, RH Contract, ESL Spectrum, Architectural Brick & Tile, Seibold Baker, Bruce Longhino Group, and Jasper Group. We appreciate you, and we sincerely thank you for your continued support of the IIDA Indiana Chapter and Interior Design Profession!
On behalf of the IIDA Indiana Chapter Board, we wish you the Happiest of Holidays. Merry Christmas to you and your families, and here's to a great year in 2015!

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Ft Wayne City Center Hosts Holiday Party
Lindsay Shutt, Assoc. IIDA

The IIDA Indiana Chapter Fort Wayne City Center gathered at Main Street Bistro and Martini Lounge on Thursday December 11 to celebrate the holiday season and bring 2014 to a close. Guests brought unwrapped toys for Toys for Tots, continuing a favored annual tradition and ultimately filling two large bins. The festive group of 45 had a delicious spread of appetizers and desserts to choose from and most sampled Main Street’s special holiday martinis.

Attendees took advantage of a "photo booth," set up just outside the private room. A white backdrop and holiday props including boas, Santa hats, glasses, and presents let everyone show off their silly side for the pictures taken by Dawn Terry, who did a fantastic job as photographer for the evening! The evening couldn't wind down until it was time for the door prize drawings. Generous gifts including: a wreath, spa gift card, larryBAG, and Main Street Bistro and Martini gift card were given out to four lucky winners. The grand prize of the evening was a gifted IIDA membership for one year to anyone in attendance who signed up. After much anticipation, Ashlee Adams of One Eleven Design was chosen. The evening was a jolly and bright way to end the year, thanks to all who came and welcome Ashlee!
IIDA / IDCI / ASID Holiday Party
McKenzie Swihart, Ind. IIDA

Well, it's that time of year again! On Friday, Dec. 5th, 2014 the design community of Indiana took a break from the shopping, deadlines, and hubbub of the holidays to attend the Annual IIDA Indiana Chapter Holiday Party. This year the Indiana Chapter of IIDA teamed up with ASID, (American Society of Interior Designers), and the IDCI, (Interior Design Coalition of Indiana) to put on a soirée at the ever elegant Indiana Design Center located in the heart of the Arts and Design District of Carmel, IN. There was great food catered by Blu Moon Cafe, live music, and above all great company as we celebrated and thanked all those who put forth great efforts in our design community during the year. On behalf of the Indiana Chapter of IIDA, I would like to take the opportunity to thank each and every one of you for all your dedication, creativity, and passion you put forth during 2014 and am wishing you all the very happiest of holidays and the most joyous of New Years!
Updates to Legislation
Melissa Laviolette

The start of the new year brings a new legislative session to begin on January 6th, 2015. While there is no active legislation, it is important to recognize our state law makers. A legislative appreciation event, hosted in conjunction with the Indiana ASID chapter and Interior Design Coalition of Indiana (IDCI), will take place on February 3rd, 2015 in the North Atrium of the Indiana State House. Please plan on joining us for the opportunity to engage and thank state law makers for their hard work!

We are excited to announce that the Indiana IIDA Chapter is the recipient of one of the 2015 IIDA Legislative Grants. The grant will go towards supporting legislative efforts, community outreach, member education, and support of the IDCI. We look forward to providing some fun opportunities in the upcoming year.

ZeroLandfill Indy
Sarah Savage

We did it!

Our first ZeroLandfill event happened

Ft. Wayne Gathers for Wine & Canvas
Lindsay Shutt, Assoc. IIDA

The Fort Wayne City Center took some creative time for a Wine and Canvas class on Wednesday October 22. Catablu Grille delivered dinner, conveniently a few doors down from the Wine and Canvas studio. Once everyone had some of the mouthwatering food by their easels, the instructor, Beth, was ready to walk the eager group of 16 through painting a "Flirtini." Beth encouraged imagination throughout the process and it wasn't long before most had added their own
On one fateful Saturday in November, and it was radical. We had many design firms and vendors pouring their leftover, unwanted samples onto the tables and floors of our venue. The Harrison Center for the Arts was a seemingly perfect partner in crime. Their Underground gallery became filled with hidden potential as artists and teachers sifted through the goodies in front of them. Foam that used to hold quartz samples would become a jeweler's display surface. Random pieces of glass mosaic tile would soon adorn a garden planter. And the carpet tiles. My goodness! The carpet tiles. New life for these expired gems!

We had wonderful volunteers and impressed many 'shoppers' with not only our awesome free materials, but our innovative idea, to which we give credit to the ZeroLandfill cofounders in Ohio. In addition to our hardworking volunteers, we need to thank our sponsors: Wilsonart and Lumbermen's, the Harrison Center for the Arts, Cambria, Interface, Louisville Tile, Mayer Fabrics, MDC Wallcoverings, Momentum Group, and Wolf Gordon. Cheers to everyone!!!

Planning for our next event begins in January! If you are interested in getting involved or offering up some sponsorship bucks, please email zerolandfillindy@gmail.com. And check out that Facebook and Pinterest for more information and ideas.

In the mean time, save your samples!!!! Save the world!!!

Designer Night Out - Wine and Canvas
McKenzie Swihart, Ind. IIDA

The Indiana Chapter of IIDA hosted a Designer's Night Out with Wine and Canvas. For those of you who've never attended/couldn't make it, Wine and Canvas is a great venue that pairs together wine
THE WAIT IS ON!

Betsy Rilley

If you ever have any questions about the NCIDQ or Associate Membership, please feel free to contact me at: associatemembership@iidaindiana.org.

February 1, 2015
Spring 2015 Deadline for IDFX Section Only

March 28, 2015
Spring 2015 Practicum Exam Administered

April 16-25, 2015
Spring 2015 IDFX & IDPX Administered

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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Susie Fawcett
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and painting for a night of fun! A few of the attendees were a little nervous to paint, but quickly found that no talent or experience was necessary. Wine and Canvas’ talented instructors guided us step-by-step, helping us to develop our very own work of art. The IIDA Indiana Chapter saw this event as a new, unique way to continue our networking initiative and bring together the design community for a night of creativity and fun! We hope to have many more of these types of events in the future and are looking forward to seeing you all there!

View Additional Wine & Canvas Photos

Night at IMA Contemporary Design Gallery

Susie Fawcett, Assoc. IIDA

I really enjoyed touring the contemporary design gallery at the Indianapolis Art Museum. It was a great way to spend an evening - socializing with fellow IIDA members over drinks and appetizers in the museum café and then going on a group tour of the exhibit. It was a good mix for an easy but fun IIDA event.

Once in the gallery and looking at all the vastly unique art pieces featured, I began to realize how diverse this era of design really was. I'll admit that I wasn't expecting to see much beyond a few different types of chairs, sofas, and maybe some tables - probably all looking similar in style to one another too. However, I was pleasantly surprised when I realized that this gallery had that and much more. Everything from abstract bookshelves and light fixtures, to intricate and creative ceramics and porcelain pieces, and even everyday kitchen utensils - and nothing looked like anything else in the gallery.

And the night was more than just walking around a gallery looking at contemporary designs. But it was also a time of good conversations, critiques, and thought provoking inspiration. I love learning about the history and the concept of designs. This IIDA tour was a great way to learn something new and become inspired.
An Enormous Thank YOU!

Randy Veatch

As we look back upon our year, 2014 was filled with great parties, educational field trips, essential CEU programs and legislative advances, all due to our 2014 IIDA Partners. Without our Partners and their generous contributions made throughout the year, our chapter events and programs would not be possible. So on behalf of the entire Indianapolis and Fort Wayne IIDA City Centers...an enormous thank you to our Partners in 2014!

As we near year end, we bring to a close our "one time ask" 2015 IIDA Partnership Campaign. Once again an enormous thank you to all of our returning partners and a big welcome and thank you to our new Partners. We are certain that 2015 will prove to be another GREAT! year as there are already plans afoot. January starts us off with a CEU program, followed up in February with the IDEA awards presentation at the Indiana State Museum. Also 2015 brings back the ever popular Golf event! So everyone be thinking about your foursome's.

All that said, again none of this would be possible without our Chapter Partners...we cannot say thank you enough.

Happy Holidays everyone!

IDEA Awards 2015

Nicole Kurtz

Come join IIDA Indiana Chapter in celebrating our amazingly talented Interior Designers! Enjoy an evening full of food, entertainment and celebration. It is an event you will not want to miss!!!
Mohawk Bus Trip to Chicago
Neil Bogenschutz

The December IIDA CEU was sponsored by Mohawk/Daltile. The topic was "Living Building Challenge (LBC)" attended by Fort Wayne and Indianapolis members. The CEU discussed the LBC movement championed by Mohawk's own Rochelle Routman (one of 10 most influential women in Sustainability).

In Summary: The LBC focuses on "Declaring" ingredients in products and steps to achieving the most transparent and self-sufficient facility and
Mohawk is actually leading the entire manufacturing segment in transparency with the most Declare/HPD's and EPD's to date.

Following the CEU the group of more than 50 had a very engaging and open discussion on the topic. The group(s) then took Chicago by storm with shopping and holiday cheer.

We wish you Happy Holidays and many successes in 2015. For more information please visit [http://living-future.org/](http://living-future.org/)

**Congratulations to our Social Media $50 Gift Card drawing winner, Mindy Smith!**

*Follow us on IIDA related social media to receive updates on the latest events & job postings.*

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**Editor Comments**

**Andrea Cole**

2014 has come and is nearly gone. Wow, what a quick year it has been! Although this year is coming to a close, let us reflect on the many great events and opportunities the IIDA Indiana Chapter has presented us all with. The chapter started the year off with a bang bringing us the remarkable Avant Garb Fashion Show. This event was just a prelude to the remainder of 2014. The chapter hosted the
unique and extremely exciting summer event, Cirque De Paris, among many other events the chapter created. Some of these include the numerous CEU’s, NCIDQ study sessions and informative meetings, and much more offered to the designers of Indiana. As the IIDA Indiana Chapter Board members and committee members work hard to provide these events to everyone, we must always be reminded of our gracious Partners and participants in making all of this possible! Thank you everyone for your support! Let 2014 be a building block for the upcoming 2015 year as the Indiana Chapter has many stimulating and exhilarating event up its sleeve! We look forward to seeing everyone in the next year and Happy Holidays!

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