# **AIA Flint Newsletter**

#### January, 2014

As we close 2013, AIA Flint would like to reflect on an active and productive year – inside this issue you will see a variety of activities AIA Flint has undertaken. We hope that each AIA Flint member will find an activity of interest and join-in during 2014!

Efforts of note include AIA Flint's second successful design competition – garnering national and international press (see image at right). Special thanks go out to John Gazall and the other committee members, along with our partner organizations who worked to make the effort a success.

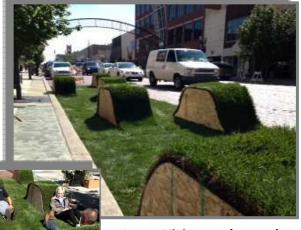
AIA was represented again this year at PARKing Day a national one day event designed to promote the value of cities' parks. The idea originated in San Francisco to celebrate urban parks by creating mini-parks in downtown parking stalls. The 2013 design was conceived by Amanda Harrell-Seyburn, Assoc. AIA & Kurt Neiswender, AIA who explain that "the design visually expresses the fun and functional enjoyment of the undulating verdant lawn". (see image bottom right)



#### **Executive Committee**

President	John Costa, AIA
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AIA MI Director	Lisa Demankowski, AlA





*Inset:* Visitors relax at the 2013 AIA Flint PARKing Day installation, downtown Flint

We want to hear from you! We would like to include announcements in future newsletters – promotions, recognitions, family events, whatever you would like to share. Please submit items for future newsletters to Lisa Demankowski at <u>lisad@njb-architects.com</u> or fax items to (810) 659-7224.

# In Memoriam...



### Theodore Hu

December 6, 1941 – April 28, 2013



Gene Terrill, 79, passed away in Charlotte, NC on Saturday, October 12, 2013, at his home in Southminster Retirement Community. Gene was born in Flint, Michigan on December 1, 1933 to William Charles and Mary Curnow Terrill. Gene attended the University of Michigan in Ann Arbor where he earned a Bachelor of Architecture in 1961. After graduation, he worked as an Architect with Kretchmar & Associates Theodore Hu, of Fenton, age 71, died Sunday, April 28, 2013 at his home. Theodore was born December 6, 1941 in Chongqing, China to parents Zheng Zhi and Jane (Koo) Hu. He was the owner and operator of Ted Hu Associates Inc. Architects. Surviving are wife, Doris; son, George Hu; grandchildren, Benjamin Hu and Alexandra Hu; mother, Jane Hu. Theodore was preceded in death by his son, Richard Hu and his father.

before opening his own his architecture firm, Gene Terrill Associates, in 1967. In the late 1970's, Gene's firm merged with SSOE. He retired in 2002. Throughout his career he was very involved with American Institute of Architects. Gene served as President of the Flint Area AIA Chapter in 1974 and President of the Michigan Society of Architects in 1979. After relocating to Charlotte, Gene continued his involvement, serving as the President of AIA Charlotte in 1994.

He is survived by his wife Jeanie; son, Eric Terrill and wife, Debra; daughter, Susan Stephenson and husband, Lou. He is also survived by his beloved grandchildren.

# 2013 Golf Outing

The 2013 Golf Outing was held on August 9 at the Coyote Preserve in Fenton. The outing was enjoyed by 62 golfers and resulted in \$2,900 profit raised toward the AIA Flint Scholarship program. A special 'Thank You' goes out to the Golf Outing committee who worked tirelessly to put on an outstanding event again this year.

Special guests included the 2013 Scholarship Recipients: Samantha Mabbit was awarded \$1,000 and will be attending Lawrence Technological University in the architecture program. A \$500 award was presented to Eric P. Schudlich, who attends Baker College of Flint. Congratulations to both students!



Above: Chad Crystal awarding one of the 2013 Scholarships to Samantha Mabbit

Right: Baker Student, Eric Schudlich, receives his award.



# **Flat Lot Competition**

Flint, Michigan – Flint Public Art Project and the Flint Chapter of the American Institute of Architects announce that Two Islands, a team of architects and designers based in London, have won the \$25,000 grand prize in the Flat Lot Competition to design and build a temporary summer pavilion on Flint's central downtown parking lot.

The winning proposal, Mark's House, tells the story of an imagined Flint resident, Mark Hamilton, whose family loses a home to foreclosure. The project perches a Tudor-style house clad in reflective panels on top of a mirrored pedestal, giving the structure the appearance of floating in mid-air. The house serves as a metaphor for both what the city has lost as well as its ongoing revitalization, while also providing a canopy and stage for flat lot events. In addition, the structure can hold up to 1,500 gallons of water, which can be released as a cooling spray during hot summer days.

The competition brief called for a temporary structure that would take up no more than eight parking spaces, and would support public programs by providing amenities such as seating, shade, cooling devices, and a stage for performances. Nearly 400 teams from more than 35 countries around the world registered for the competition, and 221 entries ultimately were submitted. The winning entry is shown below and was submitted by Two Islands, a London-based design studio founded by William Villalobos, Cesc Massanas, and Tom Selva.

Three other projects received honorable mention:

- *Stage a Lot* by KSE Studio (Sofia Krimizi and Kyriakos Kyriakou) of Brooklyn, NY
- Building Bodies for Work by Wes Janz, Tim Gray, and Andrea Swartz of Ball State University
- AC.H2O by Mike Ting of British Columbia, Canada





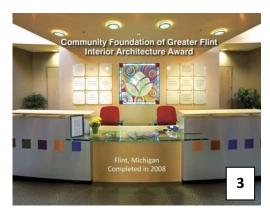
Above: Submissions receiving Honorable Mention, left to right: Stage a Lot; Building Bodies for Work; AC.H2O

"The winning proposal shows how art and design can transform Flint's public spaces." - Flint Mayor Dayne Walling.

# **2013 AIA Flint Design Awards**

New Lake Fenton High School









### 1. Building Award

THA Architects Engineers for Lake Fenton High School

## 2. <u>Historic Preservation/</u> Adaptive Reuse Award

GAV Associates for Stockton House

## 3. Interior Architecture Award

THA Architects Engineers for Community Foundation of Gr. Flint

#### 4. Urban Design Award

THA Architects Engineers for Wade Trim Building

## 5. <u>Sustainable Design</u> Award

FUNchitecture for Urban Alternatives House

# 6. <u>Residential Architecture</u> <u>Award</u>

FUNchitecture for Northern Michigan Lake House

# 7. Creativity Award

Sedgewick and Ferweda Architects for PARKing Day Installation







The Design Awards submissions will be Showcased at the Flint Public Library during the month of March. Please join AIA Flint in celebrating our local talent :

#### *Opening Reception* Tuesday March 11, 2014

At the main branch of the Flint Public Library on Kearsley Street in Flint.

#### 2013 Holiday Party





# BREAKING NEWS FROM AIA FLINT... Scandal Rocks AIA Flint Holiday Party!

(Flint, Michigan) Rumors swirled as once again, the illustrious Jeffrey Bennett, AIA took home the Big Prize at the AIA Flint Holiday gathering. Unnamed sources heard claims of "...playing card tampering..." as Bennett posed with his Special Award. *Just kidding!* 



## **Dates to Remember**

January 16	Luncheon Meeting* Mark Grillo from Barrier One will present a program worth one CEU HSW/SD <b>Please note that the monthly luncheon meeting location has changed</b> . Luncheon will begin at noon at Baker College of Flint, in room \$130 of the Technology Building
January 20	Executive Committee Meeting All are welcome to attend, please RSVP to John Costa. Meeting begins at noon at Sorrento's Restaurant in Flushing.
January 31- February 1	AIA Michigan Leadership Retreat At the Crown Plaza Pontchartrain in Detroit.
March 11	AIA Flint Design Showcase Opening Reception At the Flint Public Library on Kearsley Street in Flint.

\* Please bear with us as we reorganize our monthly meetings. We are always looking for topics of interest and value to our members – please forward your ideas to George Ananich at <u>george@h2aarchitects.net</u>

#### Save the Date for this year's Convention:

*June 26-28 2014* in Chicago, Illinois For more information go to convention.aia.org



