Best Laid Plans | Urban Planning

June 21 at the Center for Architecture and Design
Reception at 5:30pm, Lecture 6:30pm - 8pm

Seattle has undergone many large-scale, city-redefining projects that have dramatically altered the look and feel of its natural and urban landscape. For every successfully completed project, however, there are countless more that never come to fruition. Join us for a look back at several grand, unrealized projects and a consideration of what our city may have looked like if they came to be.

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Speakers:
Chris Patano, Patano Studio Architecture
Elizabeth Umbanhowar

To view upcoming lecture descriptions, visit our Design In Depth page.
Call for Entries for SAF Model Exhibit

Join us at our Upcoming Info Session!

We are pleased to announce the theme of the 19th Annual Architectural Model Exhibit will be (un)Restricted. On view at The Center for Architecture and Design from September 1st – October 21st, this show ou can visit our website to learn more about the theme and download our Call for Entries. The deadline for submissions is Friday, June.

The SAF Model Exhibit Committee will be hosting an Entry Gui Session on Wednesday, May 11th from 6pm - 7:30pm. Please learn more about the new guidelines and the layout of the Center Architecture and Design. We will reserve time for Q & A. Snack: refreshments will be provided. We look forward to seeing you th

Please contact Aletheia Wittman, Exhibit and Public Programs questions!
The Neighborhood Exchange
Advisory Committee for new Series to Kick-Off in May

Introducing SAF's newest event, the Neighborhood Exchange, this program will highlight and share the impactful work of community coalitions that are addressing local social and environmental issues in the Seattle area. Community advocates from design professions interested in exploring strategies that community groups use for planning projects, obtaining resources, and getting projects built for their neighborhoods.

Interested in volunteering for the Neighborhood Exchange? We are looking for Advisory Committee members to join us in shaping this series in its early stages. We are seeking advisors skilled in the areas of community development, community engagement, neighborhood advocacy, and/or marketing. The committee will attend regularly scheduled meetings and the time commitment will be 2 hours a month on average. Meeting locations will rotate around neighborhoods where our committee members reside. Please contact Aletheia Wittman, Exhibit and Public Programs Manager, with questions or to request more information about joining this committee.

Youth Design Workshop: Libraries

May 7, Seattle Central Library, Level 4, Room 5, 11am - 3pm

Libraries are paving the way to the future by introducing innovative resources for local communities. At this workshop youth will design creative new ways to have the information they want at their fingertips!

At SAF Teen Workshops, youth (ages 11-16) are introduced to connections between design and social issues. Workshops kick off by having a community guest or designer introducing an issue and then you
challenged to use their creativity to come up with a responsive design. In teams supported by SAF volunteers, students work to plan, build and present a physical or digital study model that represents how their design could promote...
This is your chance to take an inside look at some amazing modern homes in Seattle! Featuring homes in Eastlake, Madison Park and even a houseboat on Lake Union, the 2016 Seattle Modern Home Tour showcases new possibilities in living and lifestyle.

SAF is a once again a non-profit partner of this fun event and will receive a portion of the proceeds. Advance tickets are $35 – Use Code SAF2016 and receive $5 off the price of your ticket! For photos and more information on the homes, visit the Modern Home Tour website.

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Architecture in Action! SAF Summer Camp
August 22 - 26 at the Center for Architecture and Design, 9 - 12pm

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Tickets: $25 General Admission | $20 with an SAF Family Membership

Scholarships are always available, email, Minh Nguyen, Youth Program Manager, for more information.

SAF Tour of the Month: Greatest Hits
Saturday, May 14, Rainier Square, 10am - 12pm

It’s a new riff on the city as we focus on the construction, context, and culture which shaped our skyline, from golden oldies like Kirtland Cutter’s Rainier Club to popular favorites like the Rem Koolhaas’ asymmetric, cantilevered Central Library. You’ll develop an appreciation for the social forces which shaped Seattle and our built environment.
In partnership with the Northwest School, this hands-on summer camp experience for youth entering grades 5th – 8th will introduce participants to how architecture and designs impacts everything in our environment! Students will begin each day at the Center and will tour buildings new and old along the Waterfront each day. Students will also explore the Center’s upcoming exhibit, BOOM: Changing Seattle, to learn about the architecture and design of Seattle’s neighborhoods from past to present.

Learn more about our one-week summer camp and other our other summer camp offerings at the Northwest School.

Questions? Email Minh Nguyen or call 206-667-9184.

Upcoming SAF Events
Visit our calendar and start exploring Seattle! Private tours available for groups of 10 or more. Email us for more information.

- Seattle Modern Home Tour - 4/30
- Design Details Tour: Lions, Griffins and Walruses, Oh My! - 4/30
- Pioneer Square Tour: Wilderness to Metropolis - 5/6 & 5/28
- Architecture 101 Tour: Windows on Seattle's Style - 5/7
- Mt Baker Tour: More Than a View - 5/7
- Harvard/Belmont Tour: The Rich Life on Capitol Hill - 5/7
- Teen Design Workshops: Libraries - 5/7
- Hidden Spaces/Public Places Tour - 5/13
- Saturday Family Events: Creative Streets - 5/14
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- Greatest Hits Tour: Chart Toppers and Heart-Stoppers - 5/14 & 5/27
- Design In Depth Lecture: Rooted in Seattle | Global Design - 5/17
- Art + Architecture Tour: Let the Streets Be Your Museum - 5/20
- Queen Anne Tour: The Evolution of an Urban Neighborhood - 5/21
- Diamonds & Gold Tour: The Art Deco Skyscraper Northwest Style - 5/28 & 5/28

Thank you to the City of Seattle Office of Arts and Culture for their support of our tour season.

Visit Our Tour Calendar

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Events at the Center for Architecture and Design

Living Small: Ideas for Living in the City
*Presented by AIA Seattle*
April 21 - June 11, Opening Reception, May 5, 5 - 8pm
This exhibit of micro-living spaces in dense urban environments in Copenhagen, New York, Stockholm, and Tokyo explores what cities can teach us about housing for our future.

More Information

Urban Design Forum Presents: Designing a Seattle Streetcar System: The Center City Connector
*Presented by AIA Seattle*
April 27, 6 - 7:30PM
Join Urban Design Forum as we discuss Seattle's evolving streetcar system. Hear from representatives from SDOT, Gustafson Guthrie Nichol and Parsons Corporation about their plans for the future

More Information

LISTENING Seattle Book Signing + Reception
*Presented by Bohlin Cywinski Jackson*
May 3, 5:30-8:30pm
This conversation and book signing in celebration of Listening: Bohlin Cywinski Jackson, will explore the nature of designing houses and the intricacies of the client-architect relationship. A book signing and reception will follow.

More Information

Visit the Center's website for more information about upcoming events!

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Community Events
Lid I-5 Neighborhood Design Charrette
May 7, Capitol Hill Housing, 8-1pm
To kick off the public campaign for lidding Interstate 5 and to ger ideas and goals. This event will bring together neighborhood res businesses, community leaders, and professional designers with demonstrating widespread support for closing the divide caused Center City and beyond.

InterUrban: Project Belltown-Imagining Possibilities
May 29, Union Stables, 5:30-8pm
Join Historic Seattle and Friends of Historic Belltown for an inter exercise that will consider a real-life case study in the neighbor designated historic landmark and adjacent property. The visioni brings people together to listen, brainstorm ideas, and create a action.

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