

January February March Happenings:

Lectures: *These are just a few from each group. Do some research and find some more. Go listen and question.*

Cal Poly Pomona

First Lecture Landscape Architecture Lecture of 2009

02/02/2009 ENV Atrium

Tom Oslund Lecture

6 pm: Meet and Greet

7 pm: Lecture

Thomas Oslund, founding principal of oslund.and.assoc. of Minneapolis and Chicago, is known for his sculptural approach to transforming landscapes, turning open space into unique places for contemplation and interaction. Acclaimed projects include: expansion of the General Mills campus, new public spaces in Minneapolis (Gold Medal Park, redesign of the collapsed I-35W bridge along the Mississippi River, plazas for the new Twins ballpark).

Here are some links to articles about Tom O.

<http://www.metropolismag.com/story/20081201/the-work-of-an-outsider>

http://www.minnpost.com/lindamack/2007/12/19/401/from_plazas_to_profound_places_architect_leaves_imprint

Cal Poly Pomona

Learn about the diverse communities we serve as landscape architects.

DisABILITY Awareness Week: Jan. 24-30 - Multiple events including art show, resource fair, wheelchair basketball & speaker.

http://www.dsa.csupomona.edu/drc/DRC_Announcements.asp

All of the events will be interesting and thought-provoking. **Two events that might have the most impact on Landscape Architect majors and faculty**, they would be the **Art Exhibit and Reception on Monday, January 27th** from 12 - 2 pm in the Bronco Student Center, and the **Resource Fair on January 29th** from 11 am - 2 pm. The art submissions are very creative and thought-provoking and the Resource Fair will have an experiential aspect where people can try to navigate a course wearing a blindfold or using a wheelchair, for example.

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A third event would be **Amy Roloff Featured Speaker** on Tuesday, January 27th from 12 - 12:50 PM. As a little person, how things are designed impact Amy on a daily basis. She will share about experiences and the adventures she experiences as a little person.

Native American Heritage Month - Attend multiple events through January 2009.

including cultural gathering, film, workshops, music

http://www.dsa.csupomona.edu/nasc/upcoming_events.asp

USC <http://arch.usc.edu/Calendar/Lectures>

All lectures are free, refer to the website for more info.

01/21/2009

Bovard Auditorium **7:00pm**

Free

This Land Is OUR Land . . . Greening Architecture, Ethics and the Environment

The earth is in trouble. Our environments are changing due to the rampant development of our civilizations. Much has been contended about it, including controversial discussions over global climate change, pollution, resource depletion and economic warfare as well as issues generated by power deregulation, suburban sprawl and information technology. However, what cannot be disputed is that this change is occurring at a more rapid pace than at any other time in our history.

The price of fuel in the European Union has been almost three times higher than in the United States. This reality has forced the implementation of European concepts of sustainability much earlier than the recent explosion of American sustainable practice. How well do the ideals for "going green" work when confronted with the situations of real clients, real sites and real buildings? In principle and in fact, we can learn much from the lessons of great innovators and practitioners who have been thinking and building green for over thirty years.

Ian Ritchie, UK-based architect, artist, environmentalist and an innovator in engineering, construction and materials, will present a lecture on his pioneering work and issues of sustainability. The lecture will be followed by a discussion moderated by Frances Anderton, host of DnA: Design and Architecture on KCRW.

01/28/2009

Gin D. Wong, FAIA Conference Center **6:00pm**

Neil M. Denari

German Engineering

02/18/2009

Gin D. Wong, FAIA Conference Center **6:00pm**

Charles Waldheim

Planning, Ecology and the Emergence of Landscape

SCI-ARC <http://www.sciarc.edu/lectures.php>

All lectures are free, refer to the website for more info.

02/18/2009

W.H. Keck Lecture Hall **7:00pm**

Benjamin H. Bratton:

The Program Is Not on the Floor: Stories about Projection, Planning, and Partition

03/04/2009

W.H. Keck Lecture Hall **7:00pm**

Stan Allen

Before and After Landscape Urbanism

FOLAR http://folar.org/?page_id=6

Friends of the Los Angeles River have many different kinds of events, some free and some for small fees. Check out what's next, may the night photo workshop in the LA Harbor on January 25th.

LA Creek Freak River Tour

01/24/2009

[LA Creek Freak River Tour: Urban Expeditions Gets Wet and Wild](#)

Join renowned LA River guide, Joe Linton, for a bicycling adventure down the LA River

<http://www.cicle.org/>

The Wildflowers are coming

CA Wildflower viewing - hotline starts March 9, 2009

<http://www.theodorepayne.org/hotline.html>

Antelope Valley California Poppy Preserve SNR

www.parks.ca.gov/?page_id=627

Farm Lab <http://farmlab.org/index.html>

01/30/2009

12 noon

Free Public Salon Series

Newton & Helen Mayer Harrison

Four Works on the Culture of Extraction

02/06/2009

12 noon

Free Public Salon Series

Chris Carlsson

Nowtopia: How Pirate Programmers, Outlaw Bicyclists, and Vacant-lot Gardeners are Inventing the Future Today

03/06/2009

12 noon

Free Public Salon Series

Sharon Sekhon, Founder & Director of the Studio for Southern California History

Studio for Southern California History's mission of critically chronicling & disseminating the region's social history.

There are way to many of these to mention...full schedule is here:

<http://farmlab.org/2007/01/2007-farmlab-salon-schedule-every.html>

Aloud LA www.lfla.org/aloud/index.php

01/28/2009

Los Angeles Central Public Library 7-9pm

Free with reservation

Wallace Stegner and the Shaping of Environmental Consciousness in the West

With Tom Curwen, William Deverell, Jenny Price, and Page Stegner, moderated by David L. Ulin, Book Editor, L.A. Times a distinguished panel explores the legacy of one of the West's most influential writers, who fought for protection of the region's delicate environment as well as recognition of a Western regional base and influenced generations of environmental writers.

The Emerging Urban Designers Forum

01/28/2009

7 PM: THE FORUM

Topic: Designing Residential Buildings for Downtown LA

Location: Thomas P. Cox, Architects, Inc.

801 S. Grand Avenue

Suite 1020

Los Angeles, California 90017

<http://www.tca-arch.com>

RSVP to will@aialosangeles.org

Questions to ahawkes@tortigallas.com

Daniel Gehman of Thomas Cox Architects will open the discussion by giving us an insight into the design process of Little Tokyo Block 8, a 750 unit mixed-income and mixed-use residential development in Little Tokyo.

Discussion questions and topics to include:

How do we bring people back to Downtown LA? How do housing developments in downtown integrate into the existing environment? What development strategies have been used in LA or in downtowns around the country? How do economics and city government influence the design process? How do amenities and public space integrate into market-driven developments? What are the economics of bringing housing back to downtown? What are the tradeoffs and costs when it comes to developing affordable housing options in downtown?

8:15 PM: THE SOCIAL

At the **O Hotel** @ 819 S Flower Street., between W 8th & W 9th Street

<http://www.ohotelgroup.com/>

The Emerging Urban Designers Forum will meet regularly at urban design offices around Los Angeles to discuss the practice and future of urban design in LA. The forum for emerging urban designers will be from 7-8:15 pm to discuss relevant topics and explore the work and offices of fellow designers. Forum topics and locations are to be decided by the group each month. After the forum, we'll continue the conversation at a nearby bar or cafe in a casual setting.

The AIA/LA UDC Emerging Urban Designers Forum meets regularly, in addition to other Urban Design Committee presentations and discussions.

RSVP to: will@aialosangeles.org

Questions to: ahawkes@tortigallas.com

Natural History Museum www.nhm.org/weekends/

02/19/2009

Darwin Among the Poets 7-9:30

Consider the connections between poetic and scientific query in this tribute to the influence of the work of Darwin.

02/22/2009

Sustainable Sundays 2:30pm

Climate Change: Different Shades of Green

www.nhm.org/weekends/sustainable/

Go Green EXPO

01/23/2009

January 23rd-25th

\$10 for a weekend pass

<http://www.gogreenexpo.com/index.php>

Landscape Industry Show 2009

02/25/2009

February 25-26, 2009

The West's largest and longest-running show for green industry professionals

Los Angeles Convention Center

* Register Now to attend for free!

<http://www.clca.us/lis.html>

Inland Empire Utilities Agency & Greenlee Nurseries Landscape Lecture Series

02/27/2009

Saving Water & Money in the Landscape – *Use Efficient Irrigation Products and Practices*

Along with Agency Rebates

By Tom Bressan from The Urban Farmer Store

Friday February 27th for professionals* 1pm to 3 pm

Saturday, February 28th for homeowners 10am to noon

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Meadows & Other Lawn Alternatives – *Learn How and See the Rebates that are Available*

By John Greenlee from Greenlee Nursery

Friday, March 27th for professionals* 1pm to 3 pm

Saturday, March 28th for homeowners 10am to noon

Location – 6075 Kimball Avenue, Building B, Chino California 91708

RSVP –Greenlee Nursery 909 342-6201 or sales@greenleenursery.com

Both talks followed by a Nursery Tour and Sale

** The Professional Series will emphasize the adaptation of the profession to current and future water and climate issues. Workshop attendees will receive a discount off purchase of plants.*

Go see some art

The Fowler Museum at UCLA

<http://www.fowler.ucla.edu>

Transformations: Recent Contemporary African Acquisitions

February 22, 2009 to June 14, 2009

Features two spectacular, large-scale metal “tapestries” by celebrated artist El Anatsui, (these are awesome I have seen them) as well as important paintings, prints and sculptures by contemporary African artists.

Continental Rifts: Contemporary Time-Based Works of Africa

February 22, 2009 to June 14, 2009

Video and digital film works by five contemporary artists with deep connections to Africa

Silver Seduction: The Art of Mexican Modernist Antonio Pineda

Now to March 15, 2009

Internationally renowned silversmith Antonio Pineda, of Taxco

Worth checking out

Armory Center for the Arts - Pasadena, CA

<http://www.armoryarts.org/exhibit.php>

Craft and Folk Art Museum - across from LACMA

<http://www.cafam.org/exhibitions.html>

Be an Advocate and Take Action

Save the California Conservation Corps from elimination from the state budget!

http://www.ellabakercenter.org/?p=gcjc_save_ccc_email_gov

Write a Letter!

As one of the many cost cutting proposals for the State of California, the Governor is advocating for the termination of the Landscape Architects Technical Committee, the licensing body for landscape Architects! This potential restructuring program for the LATC would move the governing of our licenses over to the CAB instead... keep an eye on this one. A large letter writing campaign will be forming, take part and be heard!

Stay informed

Read up on how the new Stimulus Package includes landscape architects.

<http://capwiz.com/asla/issues/alert/?alertid=12451966>

just a cool blog:

Homegrown Evolution

Vegetables, chickens, hooch, bicycles and cultural alchemy

<http://www.homegrownevolution.com/>