



Structural Engineers Association of Colorado Newsletter

NOVEMBER ANNUAL DINNER

Schedule

Mark Your Calendar (2008)

General Membership Meetings (Breakfast 7:30 a.m.) January 17 March 20

May 15 **July 17** September 18

Business Practice Committee Meetings

(Breakfast 7:30 a.m.) February 14 April 10 June 12 August 14 October 9

SEAC Board of Directors Meetings

(7:30 a.m.) January 10 February 7 April 3 June 5 August 7 October 2

Annual Dinner Banquet November 20 6 - 9 p.m.

Museum of Contemporary Art Thursday, November 20, 2008

Culture in the Making™
MCA DENVER is an innovative forum for contemporary art that inspires and challenges all audiences, creating understanding and dialog about art of our time.

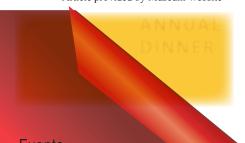
MCA DENVER is an activator, content provider and immediate research vehicle of culture in the making-a museum without a front door-a place for public engagement.

MCA DENVER has five distinct galleries, three spaces for education, multiple sites for special projects/commissioned works and one live art/lecture hall. The galleries perform in a rotation sequence that allows the Museum to always remain in an active state, thus offering something new to be seen upon each return visit. MCA DENVER excites artists and visitors alike to enter into creative conversations that extend beyond our walls.

Founded in 1996, MCA DENVER was formed to provide the city with its first contemporary art museum. Upon the Museum's tenth year as a cultural presenter, David Adjaye of Adjaye Associates (UK) was commissioned to design a new permanent home near Denver's historic Lower Downtown and Union Station. As a Gold LEED certified museum, MCA DENVER embodies sustainability. The Museum is a cultural and civic leader. Article provided by Museum Website







Events

6:00 pm - 7:00 pm - Cocktails/

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Cost:

\$45.00 Per Person

See Registration Form

Don't Miss Out - November Annual Dinner

Date: Thurs. November 20, 2008

Speaker(s): Rodd Merchant

SEAC President

Location: Museum of Contemporary Art 1485 Delgany, Denver, CO 80202

Please e-mail your reservation to Caryn at: seac@martinmartin.com. Reservations MUST be made By Monday, November 10, 2008

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Information for inclusion in the newsletter must be received one month prior to the next general meeting.

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President's Message

't's hard to believe that this is my final address as President of SEAC. Where does the time go? This year has certainly brought some unprecedented events, not only our local AEC community, but the nation, and the world. The effects of our current economic slide will likely be with us for some time. New construction starts will continue to slide and create turbulent market conditions. Now more than ever, we need to call upon our unique and creative problem solving abilities to bring new and innovative services to this new landscape. I believe there is no one better suited for this than the structural engineer. As proof, I offer last month's Fall Conference where a number of our members gave insightful presentations showing how they are leveraging BIM in concert with Integrated Project Delivery and other Lean Construction processes to bring new value to project design and construction. In this changing environment, it is now more important than ever to seek out new service offerings and business partners.

I would be remiss; however, if I didn't take a moment to express my sincere thanks and gratitude to a number of individuals (only some of whom are mentioned here by name) that I have had the great pleasure of working along side throughout my term on the SEAC Board. These individuals have worked very hard to make this member organization the class of our industry. To that end, I wish to thank the current Board of Directors for all their insight and thoughtfulness over this past year. This has truly been a collective team effort. The Chairman of our Membership Committee, Jerry Malay deserves special recognition, not only for his many years of service as chair, but for energetically volunteering to chair the Nominating Committee and finding great candidates for the Board. Dave Houdeshell and Brent Norris also deserve recognition for this effort. I would also like to acknowledge Ben Nelson for his participation at the national level as

our representative on the NCSEA board. Our Education Committee Chairs Robert Alson and Arthur Ashworth, along with organizing members Kay Krebs, Wayne Muir, and J.R. Barker all deserve our thanks for their efforts in organizing the Fall Conference. It's events like these that make our organization what it is. Last, but certainly not least, I wish to thank Caryn Bauer, SEAC's outstanding Executive Assistant who continues to provide invaluable organizational leadership booking our events, sending member communications, preparing the newsletter, collecting payments, sending publications, etc, etc, etc. We couldn't do it without her!

Finally, I hope you will mark your calendars and come help us close out the year at the annual dinner celebration, scheduled for Thursday, November 20, 2008. The event will take place at the recently completed Museum of Contemporary Art in downtown Denver and will include tours of the museum, dinner, a wrap-up of activities, and a number of special awards. Please watch your email inbox for additional information and registration form. So, as I pass the torch to incoming President Elizabeth Jones, I want to say thank you to the membership for making this a rewarding and enriching experience. As always, I hope you will take advantage of the outstanding learning and networking opportunities offered through our organization and encourage each of you to get involved. I wish each of you a healthy, happy holiday season and continued prosperity.

Kind Regards,



GENERAL NOTES - ANNOUNCEMENTS

September Speaker



Jules Van de Pas

September Sponsor





September Meeting Attendenance



Thank You Y

SEAC Board of Directors would like to extend a special Thank You to YOU; its Members. SEAC continues to be an outstanding organization because of your continued support and its many Volunteers. The Board of Directors values your opinions and suggestions. Please feel free to contact anyone on the BOD at any time.

GENERAL NOTES - ANNOUNCEMENTS

SEAC's **Architectural Liaison Committee** is being reactivated. The Committee's objective has been and will again be to improve and advance the working relationships and communications between Structural Engineers and Architects. We are currently looking for SEAC members who are interested and willing to put in some effort toward this objective.

We would like to hold a Committee kick-off/informational meeting sometime in November. If you are interested (or at least curious), please contact Mark Cormier at mcormier@jvajva.com. Mark will respond to all inquiries. Thanks in advance for your support.



Any Sugguestions or comments......? SEAC wants to hear from you! Do you have ideas/suggestions for next year's Annual Dinner or for future General Meetings? Please contact Elizabeth Jones at: ejones@martinmartin.com with any ideas or suggestions.



Coming Soon

2009 Board of Directors Ballots will be released soon. All Professional Members are encouraged to vote.



Dues Notice for 2009 will be sent out via email soon.

Welcome

Please welcome our newest members to SEAC:

Erich M. Bretz (Professional Member) S.A. Miro, Inc.

Peter J. Loris (Professional Member) Loris and Associates, Inc.

Matthew O. Hood (Affiliate Member) Jirsa Hedirck and Associates

Derek M. Pedersen (Professional Member) JVA, Inc.

Scott Baldensperger (Professional Member) Peak Engineering

Delchi J. Fafach (Professional Member) DLK Engineering, LLC

Daniel E. Knapp (Professional Member) JVA, Inc.

Benjamin T. Mitchell (Professional Member) JVA, Inc.

Renee M. Anderson (Affiliate Member) Martin/Martin, Inc.

Daniel M. Fowler (Affiliate Member) Fowler, Schimberg & Flanagan, P.C.

Michael A. Klein (Affiliate Member) Concrete Frame Associates, Inc.

Joel D. Levenberg (Affiliate Member) VSL Structural Group

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Please remit payment with this Registration Form (make checks payable to SEAC) to:

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