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Happy October to all of our Michigan AIA Associate Members!

First, I hope that everyone finds themselves happy, safe and healthy as we move through October and the fall season. 2020 continues to be a crazy year, but as in the past, architecture and your AIA State and National Chapter are working hard to be resilient and carry on through these times. I want to congratulate AIA Michigan & AIA Detroit on very nice honor awards ceremonies. Some extremely talented members of our community were recognized – so let's congratulate them!

I am excited to announce that in the coming weeks we will be launching our "Newly Licensed" interviews with emerging architects from around the state that have recently passed their ARE. This is a great chance to hear from these young architects first hand what it was like to pass the ARE – along with some best lessons learned. In addition to this, I want to remind everyone that AIAMI is re-launching the new and improved mentor network! The network will be open to AIAS members who are making their way through their education, and are in need of some guidance from a professional. Things like what one should expect entering into the world of architecture. If you are interested in being part of this – either was a AIAS mentee or potential mentor – please reach out to me or our excellent staff at AIAMI.

As stated before, we in the process of finalizing an online trivia night for those associate members who are currently sitting / in preparation for the ARE. This will be held via ZOOM, and will consist of questions ranging from all six portions of the exam. We will encourage participants to create a diverse group of associate members in order to expand their knowledge base! Prizes will be awarded to the top teams. Keep your eye out for information on this event – we are planning on hosting it in mid- November.

In closing, I wish everyone a happy, safe, and beautiful Michigan October. I ask, as always, that you please feel free to reach out with me with any questions or concerns that you might have. Hope to see you all soon!

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