



**AIA**  
Albuquerque



## **ARCHITECTS AND DESIGNERS AS AGENTS OF CHANGE**

### **VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!!!**

#### **AIA Albuquerque & School Zone Institute Partnership**

Architects can change the way buildings are designed and renovated. But did you ever think architects and designers could change the way education is delivered to children and adult students? Designers are being hired by many corporations because they like the way designers THINK and SOLVE PROBLEMS. Because they are such good thinkers, we need designers in the schools NOW.

We have a crisis in New Mexico. We are 50<sup>th</sup> in academic achievement in the United States. School Zone Institute (SZI) has a well-tested program of teaching integrated architecture and design thinking to students in the schools. We are partnering with the AIA Albuquerque to cooperate with the Mark Twain Elementary school to teach integrated design for 10 sessions once a week 2-4 p.m. in Spring semester. SZI will conduct a one-day workshop beforehand to meet, design and plan design experiences with teachers (date to be announced). This work could someday turn teaching and learning into real interdisciplinary thinking using science, technology, engineering, arts (architecture) and math (STEAM). We have some architect volunteers, but could use more to teach at Mark Twain and elsewhere. We are hoping there can be two architects for each class K-5.

Please visit our website [www.architectureandchildren.com](http://www.architectureandchildren.com) for more information about our now international program and call (505.242.9800) or email AIA Albuquerque ([administration@aiaabq.org](mailto:administration@aiaabq.org)) if you are interested in volunteering for this life changing experience.

Kids love it and they will love you!!!!