



# AIA Kentucky

A Society of The American Institute of Architects

Dear Member,

We first want to say thank you for your past support and the trust you have placed in AIA Kentucky. We hope that our efforts to provide continuing education, professional advocacy and fellowship have been important to you as we continue to search for ways to make AIA Kentucky more than just another membership. The driving force behind the AIA in Kentucky is YOU and our mission is to create an environment for YOU to prosper.

As you look ahead to 2018, we recognize that you must carefully assign your resources and we hope that you will choose to renew your AIA membership and let us continue serving you in the coming year. As the Architectural profession faces many challenges, it is critical for Architects to stay connected, be informed and take an active role in creating a vision for the future. Here are just some of the benefits you will continue to enjoy in 2018 as a member of AIA Kentucky:

**Academic Relations** – AIA Kentucky is fostering a renewed relationship with the University of Kentucky, College of Design (UKCoD) that is flourishing to the benefit of both the institution and the profession. You will continue to see growth in employment opportunities, alumni relations, and joint educational programs.

**Career Development** – AIA Kentucky greatly values our emerging professionals. We give them a voice on the AIA KY Board of Directors and we allocate significant time and resources to programs such as AXP experience tours and our *Sights on Success* ARE Prep program. We will continue and expand this focus as we identify additional opportunities in the year ahead.

**Education & Enrichment** – Each year, AIA Kentucky provides a high-caliber state convention as well as workshops on the most current building codes and other relevant topics. Our local components provide quality monthly programs and tours and *all* Kentucky components host activities benefitting the design and construction industry. In short, opportunities for personal and professional growth are never lacking!

**Client Education** – In 2017, AIA Kentucky joined KSPE/ACEC-KY in the Kentucky QBS Coalition to increase awareness of the value of Qualifications Based Selection for A/E services in the public realm and to promote expanded use of QBS by public entities. We have spoken to multiple groups on this important topic and we continue to develop resources and provide assistance for public entities to implement QBS.

**Professional Advocacy** – We will continue to protect your license and prevent the encroachment of other professions through advocacy in the Legislature and with state agencies like Finance & Administration, the Kentucky Department of Education, and the Department of Housing, Buildings and Construction. We will also maintain our strong relationship with the Kentucky Board of Architects.

This is only a glimpse of what we have done, and can do, with your continued support. We welcome your suggestions and participation as we work toward the advancement of Architects and Architecture. For more than 100 years, the American Institute of Architects has been and will continue to be here for you – our member – right here in Kentucky. We hope you will remain a part of this tradition of service and dedication to your profession. We encourage you to renew your membership today!

Sincerely,

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