

2018 YEAR IN REVIEW

JAN

New Leadership: Paul W. Welch, Jr. retired after 38 years with AIA California. Nicki Dennis Stephens, Hon. AIACC, took over as Executive Vice President with 20 years of experience with the organization.

Water Reuse Practice Guide: Worked collaboratively with industry experts to develop content and resources for *A Design Professional's Guide to Onsite Water Use and Reuse*.

MAR

Grassroots: Attended AIA's national leadership conference that took place in San Diego, ensuring AIACA was well represented.

Demystifying Advocacy: Launched new website to provide information on legislative proposals and engage members in government advocacy.

MAY

Academy of Emerging Professionals (AEP): Held AEP Summit in San Francisco where 50 of California's emerging leaders learned how to be advocates for the built environment and gain leadership skills.

Housing Congress: Convened housing advocates for second annual Housing Congress to share lessons learned and strategize how to partner on local programs to impact housing solutions throughout California.

JUL

Board Strategic Planning: Hosted Board Hackathon to generate strategic goals and tactical actions to position AIACA to support architects as trusted advisors, envision new opportunities, and to lead in developing sustainable and resilient communities.

Advocacy: Partnered with ACEC to successfully sponsor SB 920, extending the sunset date on the law that allows architect firms to organize as an LLP without an increase in the required professional liability insurance coverage, preserving the LLP as a viable option for many architectural firms.

SEPT

Global Climate Action Summit: Joined AIA members from throughout the country to represent the profession at the Governor's international summit, which brought leaders and stakeholders together to catalyze bold new commitments to climate action across sectors.

Live/Work Units: Successfully passed AB 565, clarifying the definition of live/work units in the Building Standards Code, allowing more certainty for those who design and develop these units.

NOV

AIA Leadership Institute: Partnered with AIA to host a regional venue for the AIA Leadership Institute in San Francisco, with simulcasted content from AIA and local programming focused on innovation in practice.

Online Continuing Education: Sponsored five hours of online CE to help architects meet the licensure requirements in accessibility; and proudly recommitted to share revenues from the program with local components.

FEB

Awards: Recognized Johnson Fain as Firm Award recipient; Lorcan O'Herlihy, FAIA as the Distinguished Practice Award recipient; and Allison Williams, FAIA as the Norma Sklarek Humanitarian Award recipient.

Component Support: AIA California hosted the annual meeting for California's Architectural Component Executives (CA CACE), providing training, tools and a list of resources AIACA can provide to help support chapters.

APR

ArcCa: Boosted editorial content by establishing a new Editorial Committee to relaunch AIACA's quarterly journal to a new digital ArcCA Digest, to be unveiled in 2019.

Zero Net Energy Primer: Partnered with PG&E to publish the Zero Net Energy Primer to familiarize California architects with forthcoming residential energy standards, and what those standards mean in practical terms.

JUN

AIA Conference on Architecture: Sponsored two resolutions highlighting the prime importance of supporting, attracting, and retaining more emerging professionals to the profession; adopted a more advantageous title for Allied members; and pushed for change to the AIA Code of Ethics.

AUG

Citizen Architects: Developed a citizen architect network of nearly 100 California Architects to steward its members interest in public service and grow the profession's representation at the local government level.

Building Information Modeling: Launched BIM software discount program, benefiting more than 60 participating members to help them overcome hurdles and improve the delivery of services.

OCT

Design Awards Celebration: Hosted reception recognizing the 2018 Design Awards, Residential Awards and Council Awards recipients.

Healthcare Facilities Forum: Welcomed more than 200 attendees to this event examining how healthcare's changing landscape is influencing healthcare facility development, as well as how innovations in the design and construction industry can impact the future of healthcare in California.

DEC

Office Move: The Board approved relocation to 1931 H Street, Sacramento, and committed to create a space which demonstrates the values of the profession and the impact of the built environment on the success of the organization.

Recognition: Received a Presidential Citation from AIA in recognition of the resilience and perseverance of California members to restore their communities after the wild fires that ravaged the state in 2018.

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Providing resources and
opportunities for members to
succeed in their practices and firms

BY THE NUMBERS

10,175 Members	1317 Emeritus	1526 Instagram Followers	2200 Legislative Bills Reviewed
6794 Architects	22 Chapters	16 Instagram Takeovers	551 Award Entrees
2064 Associate Members	2300 Firms	5155 Twitter Followers	



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