



ARCHITECTURE

BOARD FOR REGISTRATION OF ARCHITECTS

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MISSION

Established in 1931, the Board is charged with protecting the health, safety, and welfare of the public by registering and regulating architects.

PROGRAMS AND SERVICES

Provides state licensing requirements for architects; online renewal; application procedures and examination information; reinstatement procedures; fee schedule. Roster of architects can be searched by name, firm, city or registration number. Full text of laws, rules and regulations relating to the practice of architecture; code of professional conduct.

Provides continuing education information sheet, with requirements, exemptions, reporting, noncompliance and sanctions. Board newsletter includes new registrants, disciplinary actions and statutory and regulatory changes.

ALABAMA COUNCIL OF AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS

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OVERVIEW

The Alabama Council of The American Institute of Architects (AIA) represents a membership of approximately 700 licensed architects, interns and affiliates. The primary goal of the Council is to promote the quality and practice of architecture. Chartered in 1916, the Alabama Council is a non-profit association. The Alabama Council AIA seeks to promote unity among the architectural profession in the state. From legislation to education, through communication and member services, the Council seeks to provide members representation, information and programs to ensure the progress of architecture in Alabama.

PROGRAMS AND SERVICES

The Alabama Council AIA, in conjunction with National AIA, provides centralized database services for the following chapters and sections: AIA Birmingham, AIA Montgomery, Wiregrass Section, AIA Mobile, AIA North Alabama, AIA Northeast Alabama. These services include: coordination of transfers, current dues information, sabbaticals, waivers, financial adjustments, new members services, and current member rosters by chapter.

The American Institute of Architects is a three-tier organization. Every member of The American Institute of Architects is a member of the local chapter, the state organization and the national organization. Alabama Council members are also members of the Gulf States Region. Each tier offers distinct benefits to its members.

- Archi PAC, the statewide Political Action Committee for Alabama Architects, is the voice of Alabama architects in state and federal legislative arenas. Through member funding, Archi PAC provides financial contributions to candidates who are supportive of business and the design and construction industry.
- Governmental representation is achieved through an active executive committee and chapter president network, which make sure our members' interests in the regulatory and legislative areas are considered by those who make the laws. The Council works continuously to effect changes on both the state and national levels that will protect the interests of the architect as well as the health and safety of the public.
- The Alabama Council's Continuing Education Program for Architects (CEPA) is administered "for architects - by architects" to provide a variety of educational opportunities for meeting Alabama Registration Board requirements and AIA National membership requirements. The Council, along with its continuing education committee, embraces a partnership with member chapters, continuously evaluating program opportunities for quality and cost-effectiveness for architect members. Member files and provider information are recorded in the Council's computer database and updated as credits are earned.
- Design Awards is an annual awards program which recognizes the outstanding work of architect members. Coordinated by a member chair and Council staff, entries are judged by a panel of leading architects, based on outlined criteria. The Design Awards Program is a highly visible event. Winners are recognized by certificate and publicized by print media.
- Publications prepared and distributed to members keep them informed of current issues affecting the profession.
 - The Alabama Architect Resource Guide & Member Directory - Published annually, the directory is a listing of Alabama Council individual/firm members, along with advertisers whose products and services are geared to architecture.
 - The Alabama Architect is the Council's quarterly newsletter, which provides a statewide perspective to keep members informed about issues and events important to the profession.
 - The Council Communicator is a concise news bulletin published when the need arises to bring timely information to chapter presidents and to the Council's governing body.
- The Convention continues to be our most popular event providing members the opportunity to take part in the discovery, learning, and fellowship of the profession through special events, exhibits and continuing education opportunities. Continuing education has become a vital part of the format for the convention and an excellent service for members.

ALABAMA ARCHITECTURAL FOUNDATION (AAF)

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OVERVIEW

The Alabama Architectural Foundation is a non-profit organization formed in 1983, seeks to heighten the public's appreciation and understanding of ARCHITECTURE and to promote good design among the public and within Alabama Communities.

PROGRAMS AND SERVICES

The Alabama Architectural Foundation develops and promotes a variety of programs to advance the public's interest in architecture. Through scholarships, public speaking engagements, and various educational venues, the foundation's principal aim is to generate an understanding and appreciation of the art and science of building, emphasizing the positive impact Alabama's building community has in fostering a sense of place and purpose. The Foundation has also helped to underwrite Public Television Programs on architecture, as well as exhibits on architects and their work at museums throughout the State, and sponsored programs and seminars aimed at engaging and educating the public.

As a part of the Alabama Architectural Foundation's campaign to improve public awareness of the importance of architecture, the Foundation has published a book including current and historical Alabama architecture, entitled *Community in Alabama: Architecture for Living Together* by Alice Bowsher, with photography by M. Lewis Kennedy. This book features a pictorial view of architecture statewide including over 150 original full color photographs. Written for a popular audience, it is an ideal gift for all readers interested in architecture, design, southern heritage, or Alabamiana.

The Foundation has a Scholarship Program to assist Alabama students in the arts, and has awarded four scholarships to students from three different institutions. The Foundation oversees and administers both the Biggin Loan Fund at Auburn and the Taylor Loan Fund at Tuskegee. The Scholarship Program has been inactive during the last few years while we have sought ways to increase the funds available for scholarships.