
AU/INDD Department Newsletter
Spring Semester 2006

Faculty, Staff, Student & Alumni News

AU/INDD currently has \$255,000 in its endowment account, acquired through collective faculty, staff (eleven full time positions) and alumni management of almost fifty industry collaborations over fifteen years.

Professor **Clark Lundell's** four post baccalaureate students presented new format concepts for Phi Kappa Phi's nationally distributed Forum magazine to the editorial staff. Post bacc student **Jacqueline Urda** was selected by PKP to assist in format change implementation, fall '06. **Whitney Skinner** assisted Clark in the management of the INDD intro class's grades, attendance and weekly lectures.

Becky Walker has joined AU/INDD as our new Office Administrator. **Sylvia Jackson** will continue to serve as our Administrative Assistant. Becky and Sylvia did an excellent job for us this spring semester.

Laboratory Specialist **David Gowan** attended a Smooth On casting seminar in Pennsylvania and met up with Allentown based AU/INDD alum **Chris Handago '00**. David also helped set up our new CNC Router which was in full operation this semester..

Chad Bailey, our new AU/INDD Unit Technology Manager, has been assisting David with our new technology and has been a great help to our students and faculty during the end of semester crunch. IT student workers **John McCabe** and **Lucien Dekich** help support Chad's effort.

Professor **Bret Smith** managed our sixth Broan NuTone collaboration. The entire 3rd year studio flew to Hartford, Wisconsin for the final presentation of their storage cabinet concepts. They did an excellent job and were treated to box seats at a Brewers / Braves game at Miller Stadium. Clark and Bret presented Broan NuTone CEO **David Pringle** with an AU/INDD plaque acknowledging more than \$100,000 in assistance provided. AU/INDD graduate **Brent Coffey '06** will start work for BN this summer.

Professor **Tin Man Lau's** 4th year studio developed outdoor furniture concepts for Summer Classics of Montevallo, AL. AU/INDD alums and employees of SC (**Robert Taunton '01**, **Robin Fuller '02** and **Rob Robinson '03**) all participated in reviews along with SC's President **Bew White**.. AU/INDD graduate **Donald Works '06** will start employment with SC this summer. Tin Man has taken 11 students on our 3rd Annual Taiwan Program. As part of this trip AU/INDD will be exhibiting work at the International Young Designers Exhibition (YODEX.) in Taipei. Log on to www.auburn.edu/ind/ and click on Taiwan Program 2006 (right margin) for images from the trip.

Professor **Rich Britnell's** open 4th year studio developed two projects this semester. The first was a product that could be manufactured and marketed thru small scale entrepreneurship. The second addressed the particular interests of each individual student ultimately leading to products ranging from a five gallon gas container to a foot pedal driven sound control system for musical instruments. Rich continues work on the AU Athletic Hall of Honor fabrication with AU/INDD alum **Gary Stewart '71**.

Associate Professor **Randy Bartlett** completed his fifth collaboration with EMERSON. His 3rd year studio made their final presentation of air circulation designs in Destin, FL. Clark and Randy presented EMERSON Senior VP **Brian Sponsler**, and VP of Engineering **Dave Beth** with a plaque acknowledging more than \$100,000 of support to AU/IND. CADC Dean **Dan Bennett**, Clark and Randy traveled thru Ireland to invite all our collaborators to participate in this year's Design Interaction - The 10th Anniversary of the AU/INDD Ireland Traveling Studio Program.

Assistant Professor **Sang Gyeun Ahn's** 2nd year studio developed garden planter concepts for Activities Director **Mary Hirko** of the Auburn Monarch Estates Retirement Home. **Anjali Bedekar's** design was selected for final full scale fabrication. Ahn also ran a Rhino software class using our new large format WACOM tablets. The Korean Ministry of Economic Development selected Ahn for their Design Leadership Award which will provide assistance to further develop his career in design.

Assistant Professor **Chris Arnold** aided in this year's acquisition of a CNC mill and laser scanner. Among other projects, his 2nd year studio reinstated the articulated toy project with much success. In addition, he introduced a new course in sustainable design, and lead the Ireland Program through Northern Ireland, Scotland and England with graduate student **Jerrod Window**, who provide valuable assistance. Chris initiated contact this year with Loughborough University, a new collaborating school in the UK. In London the group visited SeymourPowell, Pentagram, and the Design Council.

Assistant Professor **Tsai Lu Liu's** 4th year studio developed electro-cardiograph monitor harnesses and support technology for veterinary practice applications. The studio collaborated with AU/INDD alum **Don Mikell '88?** of iNERGi, Huntsville, AL, with assistance from **Dr Ray Dillon** of AU's College of Veterinary Medicine. **Michael Hicks '06** was selected from this studio to receive the AU/INDD Graduate Minority Scholarship. Lu also partnered with AU faculty from the Sustainability Program, Engineering and COSAM to develop a National Science Foundation (NSF) proposal dealing with development and application of alternative fuels

Assistant Professor **Shea Tillman's** 3rd year studio developed new kitchen and health spa based product applications for Microplane of Russellville, AR. Microplane CEO **Chris Grace** and Kitchen Unit Manager **Mark Adkison** attended a number of the studio reviews. Final presentation was made at the Atlanta Airport Marriot Hotel. Microplane was excited about all the concepts developed in the studio. The work of **Patricia Forrest** and **Mathew Sullivan** both developed unique concepts for their products, which generated a lot of interest.

Our new '06-'07 IDSA Student Chapter Officers are: Pres- **Aaron Wierenga**, VP- **Bethany Klausing**, Sec- **Anjali Bedekar**, Tres- **Jennifer White**. This year's IDSA Merit Award winner is **Matt Gunter**.



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28th Annual Design Interaction Symposium “10th Anniversary Ireland Traveling Studio”

This year's Design Interaction, is scheduled for **Friday 20 October starting at 8:30 AM in Dudley Hall, Parker Auditorium**. We have invited all our Ireland collaborators to participate as speakers. **Paul Fortune** – National College of Art and Design, Dublin; **William Lee** – DesignFactor, Belfast; **Anthony Hutton** – University of Ulster, Magee College, Derry; **David Roberts**, Institute of Technology, Sligo; **Mary Greene** and **Robert Wainwright** - Burren College of Art, Ballyvaughan; have all agreed to participate.

In addition to presentations made by our invited guests there will be exhibitions of Ireland Travel Program related work in both the Dudley Commons and Foy Union Galleries. A special reception will be held in the Foy Union Gallery for our guest speakers and all Ireland Travel Program alumni at the end of the day's lectures. **We strongly encourage all INDD graduates who have participated in the AU/INDD Ireland Traveling Studio Program to return to campus and assist us in thanking our guest speakers for the warm hospitality provided us over these past ten years.**

Keep our mailing list up to date by contacting INDD Administrative Assistant Sylvia Jackson at jackssy@auburn.edu or call (334) 844-2364. With your help AU/INDD can continue to grow the quality of experience we bring to both our students and alumni.

Dear Friends of Auburn Industrial Design:

EVENT DESIGN magazine in conjunction with AU/INDD faculty Randy Bartlett and Shea Tillman will be hosting a series of Event Design Certification (EDC) seminars this summer to be presented across the country as the “first-ever post-graduate certification program for event designers.”

The following locations and dates have been selected:

Monday, July 24	The Ritz-Carlton Tysons Corner, Washington, D.C.
Monday, July 31	The Dearborn Inn, Dearborn, MI
Monday, August 7	San Francisco Marriott, San Francisco, CA
Monday, August 14	Westin Buckhead, Atlanta, GA

Contact Event Design magazine's Georgia Bushman at gbushman@red7media.com for details.

Thanks for your continuing support.

Professor Clark E. Lundell, Department Head