DOLA News is published four times a year to provide information about the events and accomplishments of the Landscape Architecture program at Ball State University. Questions and correspondence can be addressed to jrnaderi@bsu.edu or www.dola.org or call 765.285.1971.

Calendar

**September**

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Labor Day
7 - 10
ECLAS (Sheffield University, UK)
Les Smith, Burcu Turan and Jody Rosenblatt Naderi had papers accepted. Les and Burcu will be attending. ECLAS is the European Congress of Landscape Architecture Schools
22-23
Autumnal Equinox

**October**

1-7
Field Trip Week
8
Homecoming
15
Deadline for Rome Fellowship 2012
17-18
Fall Break
24
Lecture : Henry Cheung (IDEO)
28
Alumni Symposium
30 - Nov 2
ASLA San Diego

November

1
Rome Prize 2011 Deadline
2-4
EFLA, Tallinn, Estonia
23-25
Thanksgiving

**Further Afield**

Jan 23 : Lecture : Richard Sennett
March 28-31, 2012 : CELA, U of IL-
May 30-June 2, 2012 : EDRA, Seattle
Things I’ve noticed.

The single most influential author in my life was Dr. Seuss. He taught me that although green might look scary, it was nothing that I couldn’t contend with: green eggs, green pants, green oobleck. In fact, green turns out to be pretty good. So, it is in this spirit that we welcome you to DoLA News, our bi-monthly wu-zup in landscape architecture.

DoLA is the Department of Landscape Architecture in the College of Architecture and Planning at Ball State University. There are 17 faculty members, 175 undergraduate students and 50 graduate students. DoLA graduate students enjoy a wealth of support from grants, assistantships and scholarships where over 90% of our MLA students are receiving funding to help them continue their studies.

Alumni: get engaged! A $6,500.00 award will support a graduate student with a stipend and the potential for 100% tuition remission for one year as they work on their final creative project. During that period, graduate students work for you 20-hours a week. Award winning City of Indianapolis Parks Department under the leadership of Stuart Lowry and Don Colvin (MLA’90) has opened a mutually beneficial relationship with DoLA that provides them with top talent to advance their cutting edge practices while supporting graduate students with internships and assistantships.

DoLA has one of the most financially accessible programs with student-teacher ratios of 1:12 and scholarships from alumni, garden clubs, design institutes and the state providing over half of our graduate students with stipends and tuition reduction. The result: students’ projects receive national awards in competition and graduates are snapped up by firms around the country.

Our faculty leads the fields of community outreach, sustainability, construction technology and history with a focus on teaching excellence. With the support of Larry Roan (BLA’77), our construction faculty are rethinking the teaching of the technology and pro practice sequence. The authors of two of our field’s construction technology texts (Dr. Harlow Landphair and Meg Calkins) are joining with seminal author Dr. John Motloch, innovative landscape historian Chris Baas, game-designer Chris Marlow, and design-build artist Les Smith to develop strategies that will increase student knowledge in integrated systems and construction implementation.

From the College on the Main Campus located along the beautiful White River in the gentle fields of rural Muncie, Indiana, satellite opportunities have developed around the world. Come join us in a unique learning experience, where students are truly the center of what we do.

Keep well,

Jody
Harlow C. Landphair, FASLA
2011-2012 DOLA Faculty Fellow

Dr. Harlow Landphair will be DOLA faculty fellow for Fall 2011 and Spring 2012 teaching studios in design as well as landscape architecture engineering applications. Our curriculum and community will be greatly enriched by his presence and action.

Dr. Landphair earned a Bachelor of Landscape Architecture degree from the University of Florida in 1963, a Master of Extension Education in Agronomy from Mississippi State University in 1974, and a doctorate in environmental design from Texas A&M in 1977.

In studying for the Ph.D., he focused on the technical aspects of design practice, and wrote “Landscape Architecture Construction” with the late Fred Klatt, a professor of landscape architecture at Texas A&M.

During his tenure at Ball State, Harlow will be assisting in the area of landscape architecture research, particularly as it relates to developing knowledge in sustainable transportation technology. DoLA students will become the recipient of his lecture series in advanced engineering.

The 48th IFLA World Congress in Zurich exceeded expectations. On a bigger scale than the expected 600 participants more than 1300 landscape architects from as many as 74 countries were in attendance. The topic was: Scales of Nature. Simon Bussiere represented DOLA at the congress.

The 49th IFLA World Congress will take place on 7-9 September, 2012 in Cape Town, South Africa

Future IFLA World Congresses will gather in Auckland, New Zealand (2013) and Buenos Aires, Argentina (2014)

Participation in international events is one way to establish cooperative ventures and exchanges of knowledge that enrich both practice and teaching. The increasing global nature of practice has triggered a need for greater international exchange and interphase in the academic sector that serve to revitalize programs and present students and researchers with numerous opportunities in real time that take timely advantage of these connections.

Challenges

2012 Buckminster Fuller Challenge

The Buckminster Fuller Challenge is an annual international design challenge awarding $100,000 to support the development and implementation of a strategy that has significant potential to solve humanity’s most pressing problems. Named "Socially-Responsible Design's Highest Award" by Metropolis Magazine, it attracts bold, visionary, tangible initiatives focused on a well-defined need of critical importance. Winning solutions are regionally specific yet globally applicable and present a truly comprehensive, anticipatory, integrated approach to solving the world's complex problems.

This is a program of The Buckminster Fuller Institute
181 N 11th St, Suite 402
Brooklyn, NY 11211
718 290 9283
http://challenge.bfi.org/

The deadline is Monday, October 24, 2011, 5pm EST.

I Am Being Resourceful

This competition sponsored by Association of Collegiate Schools of Architecture seeks “ideas and projects that use design not only to “sustain” environmental systems, but to encourage health and productivity between all natural systems including people, as one positive systemic idea often leverages other beneficial effects.”

There is no entry fee. Entries must be posted by SEPTEMBER 30, midnight EST. The more you upload, the better chance you have of winning one of five $100 prizes along with a copy of Joan Ockman’s forthcoming ACSA100 book on architectural education, as well as being part of a special feature in the ARCHIVE exhibition opening in 2012.

http://www.archive100.org/users/m45/project/767

Students sweep Indiana ASLA chapter awards.
More detailed information in next DOLANews

Motations (with thanks to Lawrence Halprin)

Projects can be specific to a place or general logic that work at the regional scale of a river or to the detail size of a room or object

World Connection

Students sweep Indiana ASLA chapter awards.
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**Celebrations/Good News**

**Les Smith** has labored on various fronts. From leading the design build class in completing additional work in the Craddock Wetlands to working in the construction of the 7th BSU Backyard at the State Fair with a hand from Malcolm Cairns and Cindy McHone.

**Joe Blalock** has turned bearcat purple after his new bride (Lisa) accepted the position of women’s basketball coach at Central High School. Joe continues to work on coordination of the MLA program and research into urban design issues. From August 9 to 18 he will be leading the Immersion Program for new MLA students.

**Meg Calkins** completed work on her new book (*The Sustainable Sites Handbook*) published by Wiley and available November 15. Her other book (*Materials for Sustainable Sites*) is now available in a Kindle version.


**German Cruz** traveled to Nantes, France to meet his first grandson (Simon) and was introduced at length and in depth to the work at Ile de Nantes and the Estuary of the Loire River. You can visit www.iledenantes.com/en/ to learn more about this rather large and exciting project.

**Chris Baas** and **Robert Benson** began doing research on similar topics unbeknown to each other. One was studying Middleton Plantation while the other was dealing with rice farming in the coastal islands of South Carolina. They have pooled their forces and minds to write a paper on *The Landscape of Rice* that has been submitted to the Journal of the Southern Garden History Society.

In addition, **Professor Baas** has led an independent study by a group of students under the Historical America Land Survey (HALS) to document 4 historical baseball landscapes in Indianapolis that included Bush Stadium. All four fields were once scenarios for the Negro Leagues.

**To See / To Do / To Think**

**Rome Prize 2012 : Two Options**

The American Academy in Rome invites applications for the **Rome Prize competition**. One of the leading overseas centers for independent study and advanced research in the arts and the humanities, the Academy offers up to thirty fellowships for periods ranging from six months to two years. Rome Prize winners reside at the Academy’s eleven-acre center in Rome and receive room and board, a study or studio, and a stipend. Stipends for six-month fellowships are $14,000 and stipends for eleven-month fellowships are $26,000. Information at www.aarome.org.

Deadline is November 1st

**In addition:**

**The Rome Fellowship in Landscape Architecture** is being offered to a recent graduate or individual in mid-career to allow a period for thought and research. The applicant should propose a contemporary response to an aspect of Italian landscape and pursue a selected topic with direct bearing on modern design in the landscape.

Young landscape architects are invited by the International Federation of Landscape Architects (IFLA) to apply for this residency at the British School at Rome. Visit the **British School at Rome** at www.bsr.ac.uk.

Deadline is October 15th for 2012 awards

**ELASA 2011**

From August 18 to 28, students in Landscape Architecture from all over Europe will be hosted by German schools for the annual ELASA conference. ELASA is the European Landscape Architecture Student Association, which promotes the support, cooperation, exchange of ideas and understanding between landscape architecture students throughout Europe. Each year an annual meeting (summer) and a smaller mini-meeting (spring) are arranged. Every meeting is organized in a different country by landscape architecture students of an university from that country.

http://www.elasa.org/germany2011