



WOMEN IN ARCHITECTURE | HOUSTON

Women in Architecture Committee Meeting:

19 September 2018

SUMMER 2018 EVENTS

June 28	ELEVATE Your Career Happy Hour
Aug 16	ELEVATE Your Career Workshop
Aug 29	Back to School Happy Hour
Sept 13	Speed Mentoring

UPCOMING EVENTS

Fall	Design Like a Girl
Fall	Tour of New Hope Housing
Oct	Happy Hour
Oct/Nov	Know Your Rights Workshop
Nov 15	Film Festival Showing: "Unknown New York" and "Aquarius"
Dec	End of Year Celebration
Jan 2019	Ben Brewer Panel Discussion
March 2019	Me to We (Second Annual Equity Series)

SUB-COMMITTEES UPDATES:

1) Workshops & Events (Amanda & Rebekah)

- ELEVATE Your Career Workshop – event recap
 - o Attendees enjoyed discussion after the presentation
 - o Enjoyed the fact that it was informal
- Know Your Rights Workshop – November 1st or 14th
 - o Christina Gorczynski was planned to run workshop, but just moved to Austin
 - o Amanda and Darian to reach out to their connections
 - o Presenter to research the new AIA Sexual Harrassment policy
- Negotiation workshop – Plan for Summer 2019
- Balancing Career + Family – nothing scheduled/planned at this time
- AIA Convention – Consider representing WiA Texas with a session/or event at 2020 convention
- TxA Convention – Galveston
 - o WiA Houston will work on ideas for programming/networking
 - o Will need to put together proposal for submission in the spring
- TxA Convention – Fort Worth
 - o WiA Happy Hour (hosted by AIA Dallas) – November 8th 6:30 – 8:00 P
 - This event requires an RSVP to AIA Dallas, please email sche@aiadallas.org
 - o Awards Luncheon - November 10th, 11:30 A – 1:00 P
 - WiA Houston will be accepting this years Mentorship Award
 - All WiA members who attend will be able to accept the award on behalf of the whole committee
 - If you are attending and would like to sit with the group, please email Krystyn
 - Tickets are \$50 and can be purchased through your convention registration or if not attending the convention, you can purchase tickets through Monice Mendez at communications@texasarchitects.org.
- Collaboration with YAF – Ben Brewer Panel - January
 - o Workshop going over past examples of winners submissions
 - o Applications are due at end of February

2) Equity Series (Amanda & Rebekah)

- 2019: Me to We
 - o Discuss collaboration in design and construction
 - o Panel and workshop – looking for speakers/workshop facilitators now

- Panel Discussion: February 28th, March 6th or March 7th
 - 3-4 panelists
 - Longer panel discussion, less presentation based
 - Lower ticket sale prices for this years panel discussion to increase ticket sales
 - Targeting 300 attendees
 - Workshop: March 21st or 28th
 - Start thinking about sponsorships now
 - Lower ticket sale pric
 - 2018: BIAS: Exploring the Role of Unconscious Bias
 - Memorialization of event with a publication and survey
- 3) Networking, Social Media & Marketing** (Marcia & Darian)
 - October Happy Hour
 - Get Out the Vote theme
 - Reach out to the League of Women Voters to get a representative
 - Location ideas: South Bank, Spring Street
 - Need to promote final days for voter registration (will be before this event)
 - End of the Year Celebration – start thinking about location now
 - Potential collaboration with Women in ASHRAE: Tour of Menil Drawing Institute
 - AIA Film Committee collaboration – November 15th
 - Will show “Unknown New York” and “Aquarius”
- 4) Education & Community Outreach** (Kiza & Sarah)
 - Speed Mentoring – event recap
 - Send out mentor bios a week in advance next year
 - Ask for bios earlier in advance
 - Post bios on website
 - Consider asking the mentors to sit at table before the event so mentees can meet them easier
 - Make it in a location that allows for a longer event
 - AEC Cares ProjectHouston – October 5th
 - <https://aiahouston.org/v/event-detail/AEC-Cares-Project-Houston/1a/>
 - Design Like a Girl Program
 - Event is a large undertaking and we are trying to figure out how to start the program
 - Consider doing a small 1 day workshop in the spring to gauge interest and try out some ideas
 - Girl Scouts event/program
 - Merit badge program
 - STEM journey in a day
 - Target 1-2 troops or a community of troops?
 - Golden Link is publication sent out 4 times a year
 - Project tour: New Hope Housing – Fall or early spring

NEXT COMMITTEE MEETING: November 28, 12P at HOK

WiA meet the last Wednesday of every other month from noon - 1 pm.
(January, March, May, July, September, November)

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Our 2019 Chair will be **Amanda Dean, PE**, Engineer at Huitt-Zollars, Inc. and Adjunct Professor at University of Houston

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