Greetings Fellows of the American Society of Landscape Architects!

I hope everyone is having a great summer. I look forward to seeing all of you in October at the annual meeting in Philadelphia. Please join us for the Council of Fellows Investiture Dinner on Sunday night and the Fellows business meeting on Monday morning. The Investiture Dinner is a wonderful event, please consider hosting an emerging professional or student and share the magic. I hope you enjoy reading the following news and activities of the Council.

### 2018 ASLA Annual Meeting and EXPO

Our annual meeting is October 19-22 in Philadelphia. ASLA will continue to provide an emeritus registration category that was implemented in 2007 to better serve its retired members, many of whom are Fellows. Emeritus members of ASLA will be able to register for the Annual Meeting for only $290 until June 29. If they book their hotel room at one of the official meeting hotels when they register, this rate is reduced to $215. Rates increase after June 29. Please be advised that hotels are going quickly so please book your room soon. This is a wonderful opportunity to visit with longstanding friends and colleagues. Check out the annual meeting website for more details on the 2018 Annual Meeting and EXPO.

### 2018 Class of Fellows

Congratulations to the 2018 class of Fellows! ASLA received an impressive 65 nominations from 26 chapters and the Council of Fellows Executive Committee. The Council of Fellows Jury met March 16 and selected the following 31 distinguished individuals to be inducted into the Council of Fellows this year in Philadelphia. Please visit the Fellows website to learn more about them.

- Timothy Baird, ASLA – Knowledge
- Caron Beard, ASLA – Service
- Jereck Boss, ASLA – Works
- Andrew Bowden, ASLA – Service
- Mary Anne Cassin, ASLA – Leadership/Management
- James Corner, ASLA – Works
- Christopher Dacus, ASLA – Service
- Deborah Deets, ASLA – Leadership/Management
- Sandra Fischer, ASLA – Leadership/Management
- David Gorden, ASLA – Service
- Earl Graffam, ASLA – Works
- Mary Taylor Haque, ASLA – Knowledge
- Walter Havener, ASLA – Works
- David Lennox Hocker, ASLA – Works
- Ying-yu Hung, ASLA – Works
- Kathleen John-Alder, ASLA – Knowledge
- Douglas Jones, ASLA – Works
- Brian Katen, ASLA – Knowledge
- Robin Key, ASLA – Service
- Kas Kinkead, ASLA – Service
- Edward Marshall, ASLA – Works
- Chris Moyles, ASLA – Works
- Thomas Mroz, ASLA – Leadership/Management
- Michael Nichols, ASLA – Leadership/Management
- W. Scott Parker, ASLA – Works
- David Rubin, ASLA – Works
- Adrian Smith, ASLA – Service
- Ted Spaid, ASLA – Leadership/Management
- George Stanziale, ASLA – Leadership/Management
- Thaisa Way, ASLA – Knowledge
- James Wescoat, ASLA – Knowledge
As is our tradition, we will induct the newly elected Fellows at the Fellows Investiture Dinner, an elegant ceremony on Sunday, October 21. This is always one of the highlights of the annual meeting and a chance to celebrate the continuing great work of our profession. Please be sure to purchase your tickets in advance and help us honor our class of 2018. COF investiture dinner tickets can be purchased when you register for the annual meeting. If you are interested in purchasing a full table of 10 for the dinner contact Kelli Bland at 202/216-2328. Remember that $20 of each ticket purchase goes to help underwrite the annual Council of Fellows Scholarships. Tickets will not be sold at the door.

In addition, the Council of Fellows Business Meeting on Monday, October 22, is open to all Fellows in attendance at the annual meeting. Please note the meeting will be held in the Pennsylvania Convention Center, Room TBA, from 8:45 a.m. - 9:45 a.m. This meeting is timed so that attendees will miss only one education session and those of you receiving ASLA awards can make it to your rehearsal.

2018 COF Scholarship Students

Congratulations to this year’s COF Scholarship recipients Quiana Dickson, Penn State University; Nathania Martinez, University of Florida; and Christian Moore, The Ohio State University. Please visit the scholarship page to learn more about each of them. They will be joining us Monday morning at the business meeting to receive their certificates.

The Council of Fellows currently funds three, $5,000 scholarships per year to support students with financial need and to promote diversity in the profession. These scholarships also include registration, travel, and hotel accommodations for the annual meeting. It is our goal to raise $120,000 every three years and to add one new scholarship every three years. We will receive a full financial report at the COF business meeting in October. You can help us reach this goal by pledging here!

Career Discovery and Diversity

Did you know that career discovery and diversity is one of ASLA’s special focuses? Out of strategic planning discussions a few years ago career discovery was implemented as a focus across all program areas, and in 2017 a dedicated position for a career discover and diversity manager position was created. ASLA has been working on a number of new resources:
• Landscape Architecture Magazine (LAM) launched YOUR LAND, a special print supplement for young readers. YOUR LAND is a publication produced in response to a rising interest among ASLA members to introduce the profession of landscape architecture to students from grade school through high school. Copies are available free of charge. ASLA asks only that recipients cover shipping costs and report on how their use of the supplement helped introduce landscape architecture to young people.

• Updates to the Your Path to Landscape Architecture webpage, which will include an interactive landing page and resources for download targeted to various audiences (i.e. kids, teens, parents. teachers/counselors, and professionals)

• Development and launch of Careers Building Communities webpage. ASLA has collaborated with 26 other built environment professionals to build an interactive webpage to highlight various built environment professions. This webpage will launch in the next month.

• Development and launch of ASLA Discover Landscape Architecture Activity Books for Kids, Teens, and Adults. The activity books will be available digitally and for download for print. The books will be available in late June.

• Activities for K-12 teachers that are aligned with national teaching standards and help to inspire lesson plans and start dialog about the profession of landscape architecture.

At this time, the development of resources focuses on middle school students and older. ASLA plans to create resources for younger children (K-5) in the future. Through the development of the career discovery and diversity work plan, ASLA has also coordinated with Future Landscape Architects of America to ensure there is no overlap on resource development for K-12 curriculum.

ASLA is also a sponsor of the ACE Mentor Program, a national effort to engage high school students in substantive, in-depth projects and exercises that expose them to real-life work in the full range of design and construction professions. ASLA partners with the ACE Legacy project that takes place each year in the Annual Meeting host city. ACE, however, needs more landscape architecture mentors throughout the year to make sure the profession is equally represented among other design and construction professions. ASLA’s Shawn Balon has been volunteering for the 2017-2018 school year in Washington, D.C. and has been documenting the experience in LAND. Please read through the series (Part I, Part II, Part III, Part IV, Part V, Part VI, Part VII) and see how you might get involved and help promote landscape architecture as a profession. Patrick Caughey, FASLA, is ASLA’s representative to ACE and sits on its Board of Directors.

COF Task Force Committees

COF task force committees continue to meet to discuss how Fellows can help in efforts to grow the profession, public awareness, and the Council as brain trust. Please contact Marq Truscott if you are interested in participating.

Help your chapter identify candidates and prepare nominations for the next cycle!

As we prepare to celebrate the incoming class of 2018 Fellows, I want to encourage you to participate in your local chapter’s next nomination process to help identify worthy individuals to be recognized and perhaps help prepare and review nominations for potential candidates. The call for 2019 nominations will open in late September. The nomination templates have been revised to reflect specific criteria for each category. Be sure to use the updated versions. Chapters are receiving lists of eligible members this summer. Please visit the Council of Fellows website for all the details.
Recognition of Deceased Fellows

It has been our custom to acknowledge all Fellows who have passed away from the time of the last annual meeting, which was October 2017. To help us compile an accurate and complete list, I would be grateful if you would send the names of any Fellows you know who have passed away since that time to Curt Millay at ASLA. We are sorry to report since the time of the last meeting the death of Laurence Coffin, Jr., FASLA; Robert Gregan, FASLA; James Keeter, FASLA; Donald Lederer, FASLA; J. Roland (Jack) Lieber, FASLA; and James Douglas Macy, FASLA.

As always, we welcome any comments or questions that you may have regarding the Council of Fellows and hope that you will join us in Philadelphia.

All the best,

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ASLA Council of Fellows