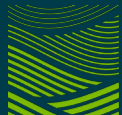


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ASLA Associate Advisory Committee's Newsletter

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COVID 19 Resources from ASLA

During this unusual and challenging time, the ASLA community is working to provide support and guidance where possible. Adjusting to working from home, balancing childcare, and dealing with anxiety over job security are just a few of the added stressors most of us face this spring. You can find ASLA resources to help address some of these issues on the [COVID-19 Resources for ASLA Members website](#). Topics include:

- General Guidance
- Business Resources
- Professional Development and Licensure
- Resources for Educators and Students
- Community Tools (Connect with ASLA Members)
- Federal, State, and Local Resources

On a more personal level, our Associate Advisory Committee Members are finding some good within the bad and the ugly of this pandemic. While some are loving having more free time and flexible schedules, others are finding it hard to tear themselves away from their desks and remember to pause for breaks and lunch. While some are enjoying more time at home with pets, kids, and spouses, others can't wait for the return of separation of home and work. And of course, we are all dealing with video calls in different ways-- some keep the camera off, others are dressed for the office in a staged room, and the more adventurous have found virtual backgrounds to keep things interesting (like those offered by the ASLA Center [here](#)) Whatever your situation is, we hope that you can find some silver linings too.



Image: Virtual Meeting Background - ASLA Green Roof by EPNAC

Students Join Free, Plus New Mentorship Campaign

One of the most exciting changes in ASLA this spring is the waiving of membership fees for student members. In the past, the annual fee was one of the biggest barriers to students joining ALSA. Help spread the word by reaching out to any friends or contacts from your alma mater. You can read the official announcement [here](#).

ASLA has also launched a new mentorship program for students to help them transition from school to work. If you are interested in mentoring, or know a student interested in joining, more information is available [here](#).

This change is one of several to come out of the Spring 2020 Board meetings. Another change important for younger landscape architects is that the representatives to the board from the Student Advisory Committee and the Associate Advisory Committee now have the **right to vote**.

Taking Advantage of Webinars

While there are always a wealth of webinars available from vendors, institutions, and ASLA, the pandemic has prompted more to be made available anytime for **free**. If you are finding yourself with extra time, why not check out some of the following:

The [Free PDH of the Month](#) from ASLA.

Landscape Architecture Foundation offerings, such as [“One Health, Coronaviruses, and Landscape”](#)

[Online conferences](#), such as the Land8's sponsored by Anova Furnishings.



Looking Ahead

May 31 - ASLA 2020 [Student Award Submission Deadline \(Extended\)](#)

Jun 9 - Early Bird Deadline for [ASLA Conference Registration](#)

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