POWERSFUL 8

Friday SEPTEMBER 24 2021 • Friday OCTOBER 1 2021
9:00 am to 12:30 pm PST

AIA CES: 3 LUS per day/ 6 LUS both days
DAY 1 SCHEDULE  FRIDAY, SEPT 24, 2021

09:00a - 09:10a  Welcome and Conference Introduction  
Mitra Memari, AIA, AIALA Vice President, 2022 President-Elect, Partner, ZGF Architects  
Ashley Richardson, AIA, AIALA WiA Chair, Principal, Ehrlich Yanai Rhee Chaney Architects

09:10a - 09:45a  Intrepid Possibilities: The Women of Woods Bagot  
Christiana Kyrillou, AIA, LEED AP, Principal, LA Studio Executive Director, Woods Bagot  
Vivian Lee, FAIA, LEED AP, NY Studio Executive Director, Woods Bagot

09:45a - 09:50a  BREAK

09:50a - 10:05a  Teach Her How to Fish  
Athenna Ann Lim, Designer, Co-Owner, Studio BarnHaus

10:05a - 10:20a  Embracing Your Path: Courage, Networking, and Aiming Higher  
Lesley Braxton, AIA, NCIDQ, LEED AP, Principal, Trahan Architects

10:20a - 10:50a  Focused Discussion Panels  
Introduction  
Jennifer Noel Wong, AIA, LEED AP BD+C, AIALA WiA Chair, Associate, CO Architects

10:50a - 11:00a  BREAK

11:00a – 12:00a  Focused Discussion Panels  
Introduction  
Jennifer Noel Wong, AIA, LEED AP BD+C, AIALA WiA Chair, Associate, CO Architects

12:00a - 12:05p  Working as Yourself: Building a More Inclusive Workplace  
Julia Oderda, AIA, Associate Principal, VCBO Architecture

12:05p - 12:25p  FOCUS ON OUR OWN TERMS

12:25p - 12:30p  Closing Remarks  
Ashley Richardson, AIA, AIALA WiA Chair, Principal, Ehrlich Yanai Rhee Chaney Architects  
Jennifer Noel Wong, AIA, LEED AP BD+C, AIALA WiA Chair, Associate, CO Architects
Day 1 | Focused Discussion Panels

1 | JUSTICE, EQUITY, DIVERSITY, INCLUSION (JEDI)
Julia Oderda, AIA, Associate Principal, VCBO Architecture*
Amy Karn, AIA, Senior Project Architect, HMC Architects
Carmen Suero, Assoc. AIA, Principal, Good Project Company
Liz Mahlow, Principal, Nous Engineering
Petrina Gooch, Assoc. AIA, SPHR, SHRM-SCP, Principal & Corporate Human Resources Leader, HED
Moderators: Kristin Akin-Zimmerman, AIA, AIALA WiA Vice Chair; Betty Navarro

2 | LEADING WITH YOUR AUTHENTIC SELF: PATHS TO LEADERSHIP
Christiana Kyrillou, AIA, LEED AP, Principal, Los Angeles Studio Executive Director, Woods Bagot*
Vivian Lee, FAIA, LEED AP, New York Studio Executive Director, Woods Bagot*
Schumetta McLendon, Assoc. AIA, Principal, Schumetta, Inc.
Patti Rhee, FAIA, Partner, Ehrich Yanai Rhee Chaney Architects
Moderator: Ashley Richardson, AIA, AIALA WiA Chair

3 | POST PANDEMIC LIFE / WORK INTEGRATION
Carissa Shrock Oyedele, AIA, Associate Principal, Moore Ruble Yudell Architects & Planners
Marisa Kurtzman, RA, Partner, Frederick Fisher and Partners
Martha Ball, FAIA, LEED AP BD+C, Principal, Sector Leader with HED
Poonam Sharma, Principal, LOC Architects
Moderator: Lauren Coles, AIA

4 | CAREER GOALS & DEVELOPMENT
Lesley Braxton, AIA, NCIDQ, LEED AP, Principal, Trahan Architects*
Amy Pokawatana, AIA, LEED AP, Vice President / Development Design, Hudson Pacific Properties
Heidi Creighton, FAIA, LEED Fellow, Associate Principal, Buro Happold
Karin Liljegren, FAIA, Principal + Founder, Omgivning
Moderator: Stephanie Reich, AIA, LEED AP

5 | REFRAMING ARCHITECTURAL EDUCATION
Athenna Ann Lim, Designer, Co-Owner, Studio BarnHaus*
Carmen Trudell, AIA, Assistant Department Head & Associate Professor, Cal Poly, San Luis Obispo
Eletrice Harris, SoCal NOMA Vice President
Margaret Griffin, FAIA, Founder, Griffin Enright Architects
Moderator: Chiara Bonsignori, AIA, AIALA WiA Past Chair

6 | HEALTH AND WELLNESS, MENTAL HEALTH, SELF-CARE
Anita Zoroghlian, LMFT, Kaiser Permanente
Dr Cari Schaefer, DACM, Wise Woman Emerging
Claudia Carol, AIA, Principal, Triumph Architecture + Urban Design
Gricelda Perez, Senior Bond Manager, RCDS / Beverly Hills Unified School District
Moderator: Marine Maroukian, Assoc. AIA, AIALA WiA Past Chair

*Also a Powerful 8 Conference Speaker
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Annette Wu, AIA, AIALA Treasurer, Principal, NAC Architecture  
Jennifer Noel Wong, AIA, LEED AP BD+C, AIALA WiA Chair, Associate, CO Architects |
| 09:10a - 09:50a | Reflections on “On Our Own Terms”  
Toshiko Mori, FAIA, Founding Principal, Toshiko Mori Architect PLLC |
| 09:50a - 10:30a | Works of Selldorf Architects,  
Highlighting the Museum of Contemporary Art San Diego  
Sara Lopergolo, FAIA, Partner, Selldorf Architects |
| 10:30a - 10:45a | Twinning  
Melissa Shin, AIA, Principal, Co-Founder, Shin Shin Architecture |
| 10:45a - 10:55a | SPONSORSHIP BREAK |
| 10:55a - 11:55a | Focused Discussion Panels  
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Ashley Richardson, AIA, AIALA WiA Chair, Principal, Ehrlich Yanai Rhee Chaney Architects |
| 11:55a – 12:00a | BREAK |
| 12:00p - 12:25p | Arriving at a Multidisciplinary Practice  
Nina Cooke John, AIA, NOMA, Founding Principal, Studio Cooke John Architecture and Design |
| 12:25p - 12:30p | Closing Remarks  
Ashley Richardson, AIA, AIALA WiA Chair, Principal, Ehrlich Yanai Rhee Chaney Architects  
Jennifer Noel Wong, AIA, LEED AP BD+C, AIALA WiA Chair, Associate, CO Architects |
Day 2 | Focused Discussion Panels

1 | JUSTICE, EQUITY, DIVERSITY, INCLUSION (JEDI)
Dawn Hicks, NOMA, Assoc. AIA, Community Design Coordinator/Asst. Project Manager, Venice Community Housing
Schumetta McLendon, Assoc. AIA, Principal, Schumetta, Inc.
Deborah Weintraub, AIA, LEED AP, Chief Deputy City Engineer & Architect, Bureau of Engineering, City of LA
Ingedia Sanchez, AIA, LEED AP BD+C, Technical Design Associate, SOM, Arquitectos President
Moderators: Kristin Akin-Zimmerman, AIALA WiA Vice Chair and Betty Navarro

2 | LEADING THE WORK, SPOTLIGHT ON LEADERS OF SELLDORF ARCHITECTS
Annabelle Selldorf, FAIA, Principal
Sara Lopergolo, FAIA, Partner*
Julie Hausch-Fen, RA, Partner
Lisa Green, Partner
Moderator: Jennifer Noel Wong, AIA, LEED AP BD+C, AIALA WiA Chair

3 | POST PANDEMIC LIFE / WORK INTEGRATION
Francie Moore, AIA, Principal, SmithGroup
Jenna Knudsen, AIA, Managing Principal, CO Architects
Pooja Bhagat, AIA, LEED AP BD+C, Principal, pooja bhagat architects+planners
Pearl Ho, Project Designer and Illustrator, OfficeUntitled
Moderator: Lauren Coles, AIA

4 | CAREER GOALS & DEVELOPMENT
Kate Diamond, FAIA, LEED AP, Design Director, HDR Architecture
Kristen Fraumeni, AIA, LEED GA, Vice President Senior Designer, HKS Inc.
Phyllis Dubinsky, Affiliate AIALA, Managing Principal, PDK Strategies
Tania Van Herle, AIA, LEED AP, Principal, Corporate Operations Leader, HED
Moderator: Stephanie Reich, AIA, LEED AP

5 | REFRAMING ARCHITECTURAL EDUCATION
Melissa Shin, AIA, Principal, Co-Founder, Shin Shin Architecture*
Nina Cooke John, AIA, NOMA, Founding Principal, Studio Cooke John Architecture and Design*
Paulette Singley, Chair, Interior Design, Woodbury University
Moderator: Chiara Bonsignori, AIA, AIALA WiA Past Chair

6 | HEALTH AND WELLNESS, MENTAL HEALTH, SELF-CARE
Emmanuelle Bourlier, Hon. AIALA, Founding Partner, CEO, Panelite
Frances Anderton, Hon. AIALA, Host DnA: Design and Architecture at KCRW, Writer, Producer
Dr. Priyanka Doshi, Psychologist at Heart Institute, Children’s Hospital Los Angeles
Moderator: Marine Maroukian, Assoc. AIA, LEED AP BD+C, AIALA WiA Past Chair

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