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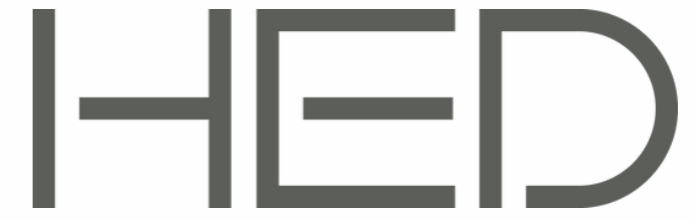
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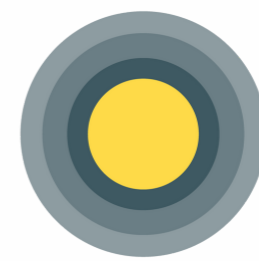
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**7:30AM**      **Breakfast in the Courtyard**

**8:00AM**      **Theater Opens**

**8:30AM**      **Welcome**

- Kristin Akin-Zimmerman, AIA - 2022 AIA|LA Women in Architecture Co-Chair & Associate, SOM
- Yu-Ming Wei, AIA - 2022 AIA|LA Women in Architecture Co-Chair & Principal, HED
- Mitra Memari, AIA - AIA|LA President & Partner, ZGF

**8:40AM**      **Opening Remarks**

- Kimberly Dowdell, AIA - AIA President-Elect 2024 & Marketing Principal, HOK

**9:00AM**      **Keynote - BREATHING ROOM: Allies, Advocates, and Anomalies**

**(Presented by: Steinberg Hart)**

- Marion Weiss, FAIA - Co-founder  
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**9:40AM**      **Keynote - The Fight for Reproductive Rights: Women and Equity in a Post Roe World**

**(Presented by: GGA Architects)**

- Juliana Serrano - Vice President of Advocacy and Equity, Planned Parenthood Pasadena and San Gabriel Valley

**10:00AM**      **Morning Break**

**10:30AM**      **Emerging Practice Panel**

**(Presented by: Abramson Architects)**

- Mary Casper - Creative Director,  
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- Oonagh Ryan, AIA - Founding Principal, ORA

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**11:00AM****Architectural Workers Panel**

- Jennifer Siqueira - Project Architect, Bernheimer Architecture
- Danielle Tellez - Designer, WHY Architects

**11:30AM****Closing Remarks - The Future of Inclusive Storytelling**

- Barbara Bouza, FAIA - President, Walt Disney Imagineering

**12:00PM****Lunch Break in the Courtyard and Powerful IX Group Photo****12:45PM****Meet your Session 1 Workshop Leader**

In the courtyard, just outside Zipper Hall

**1:00PM****Session 1 - Workshops**

See workshops and maps listed below

**2:00PM****Meet your Session 2 Workshop Leader**

In the courtyard, just outside Zipper Hall

**2:15PM****Session 2 - Workshops**

See workshops and maps listed below

**3:30PM****Happy Hour****Sponsored by AC Martin**

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**LEADERSHIP STARTS NOW**

- Ashley Craig, AIA - Associate Architect, SOM
- Monica Rodriguez, AIA - Senior Associate, KFA Architecture
- Marina Vanyan, Assoc. AIA - Principal, Vanyan Studio
- Mary Santamaria - Founder, Multiplicity

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**TAKING THE LEAP: HOW TO BE A SOLE BUSINESS OWNER**

- Jennifer Wong, AIA - Associate, CO Architects
- Alicia Morales - Founder AM Design Studio & Adjunct Professor, ELAC
- Athenna Lim - Co-Founder, Studio Barnhaus
- Rachel Allen, AIA - Principal, RADAR Inc.
- Sona Gevorkyan - Architect, Adjunct Professor SGAO, CPP
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**STEPPING INTO LEADERSHIP OF A LEGACY FIRM**

- Staci Nesbitt, AIA - Principal Architect & Partner, GGA+ Architects
- Kelly Becker, AIA - Sr. Project Manager, Tim Barber Architects
- Tania Van Herle, FAIA - Corporate Operations Leader, HED
- Marisa Kurtzman - Architect & Partner, Frederick Fisher and Partners

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**INTERSECTIONALITY, GENDER AND IDENTITY**

- Audrey Handelman, AIA - Senior Associate, Studio Director, Gensler
- Jessica Stoneham - Director of Facilities, Los Angeles LGBT Center
- Jillian White - Environmental Scientist, HDR
- Mischa Haramia - Entertainment Practice Director, Henderson Engineers

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**ARCHITECTURAL HERSTORY**

- Alexandria Hoevel, AIA - Senior Project Manager, BAR Architects+Interiors
- Cynthia Kracauer, AIA - Executive Director, Beverly Willis Architecture Foundation
- Jessica Rogers, Assoc. AIA - Creator/Host, She Builds Podcast
- Lizi Raar - Creator/Host, She Builds Podcast

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**WOMEN IN STEAM**

- Stephanie Reich, AIA - Urban Designer, Design and Historic Preservation Planner, City of Santa Monica
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**WOMEN BUILD TOGETHER - AT THE OAC TABLE**

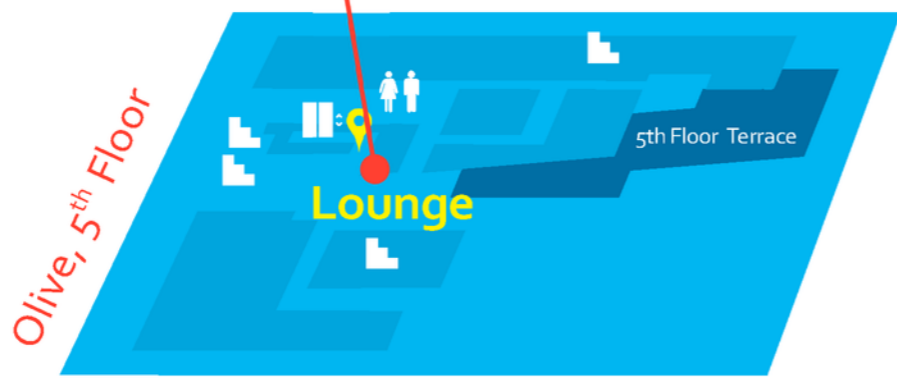
- Astrid Theeuwes, PE - Associate, Civil Engineering, KPFF Consulting Engineers
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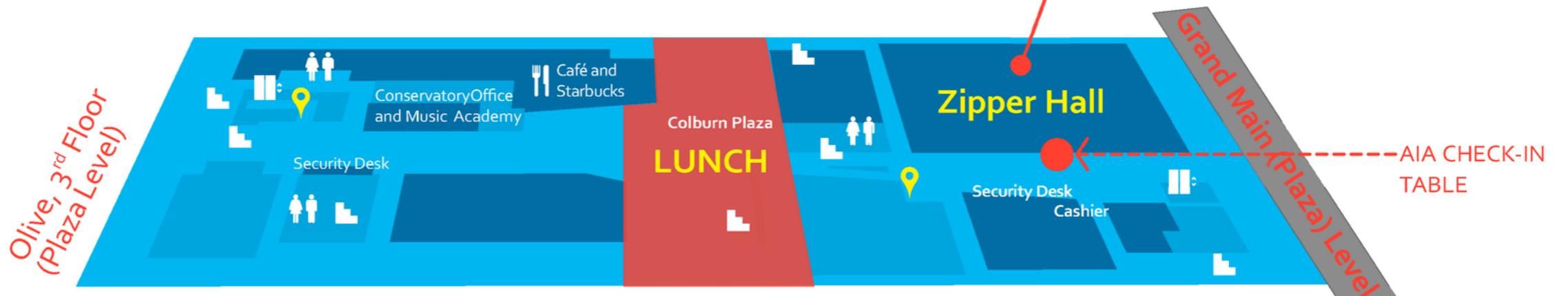
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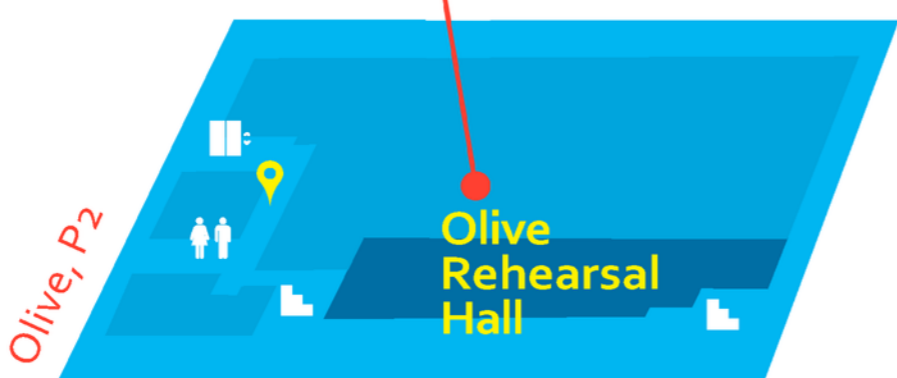
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**1** LEADERSHIP STARTS NOW

**2** TAKING THE LEAP: HOW TO BE A SOLE BUSINESS OWNER



**6** WOMEN IN STEAM



- Cafe
- Restrooms
- Elevators
- Stairs
- Indicates map with room numbers
- Wheelchair Accessible

Olive, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor  
Room 270

**1** LEADERSHIP STARTS NOW

Olive, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor  
Lounge

**2** TAKING THE LEAP: HOW TO BE A SOLE BUSINESS OWNER

Grand Upper Level -  
Mayman Hall

**3** STEPPING INTO LEADERSHIP OF A LEGACY FIRM

Olive, 5<sup>th</sup> Floor  
Lounge

**4** INTERSECTIONALITY, GENDER AND IDENTITY

Olive, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor  
Room 240

**5** ARCHITECTURAL HERSTORY

Olive P2  
Olive Rehearsal Hall

**6** WOMEN IN STEAM

Grand Main Level  
Zipper Hall

**7** WOMEN BUILD TOGETHER AT THE OAC TABLE

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