Event Details

Design For Dignity: From Ashes to Equity – Building Resilient and Just Communities With Innovative Housing Solutions

When:

Friday June 13th & Friday June 20th
7:30 am - 12:30 pm PDT

Where:

AIA|LA Center for communities
4450 West Adams Blvd.
Los Angeles, CA 90016

Learning Objectives:

- **Analyze the relationship between design, policy, and technology** in creating livable neighborhoods, including the role of the AIA|LA.
- **Investigate solutions and best practices for addressing homelessness**, including innovative housing typologies and community-based strategies.
- **Evaluate policy, procedural, and regulatory reforms** to streamline housing development, promote density, and achieve housing equity.
- **Examine resilient design and community preparedness** for wildfire recovery and other climate-driven disasters.
- **Explore the connection between housing, health, and community well-being**, and utilize data-driven approaches to inform design and policy decisions.

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Day 1 Speakers - June 13th

Chava Danielson, AIA
2025 President, AIA Los Angeles
Principal, DSH // architecture

Hon. Karen Bass
Mayor, City of Los Angeles

Denice Wint
Vice President, Real Estate Development,
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Matthew Trotter, AIA
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President, SoCal NOMA

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Ralph Mechur Architects, &
Cloverfield Commons

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and Graduate Program Design Faculty, UCLA

Christine Bustillos
City Planning Associate
Los Angeles City Planning

Thea Trindle
City Planner
Los Angeles City Planning

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Blair Smith
Senior City Planner
Los Angeles City Planning

Carlos Augusto Garcia, AIA
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Frances Anderton
Journalist, Author, & Faculty
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John Arnold, AIA
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Alison Martin, AIA
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& Senior Associate, CO Architects

Joan Ling
Housing Policy Analyst & Advocate

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Day 1 Program (June 13th)

7:30 AM
Coffee & Breakfast

7:50am
Opening Remarks
Chava Danielson, AIA – 2025 President, AIA Los Angeles & Principal, DSH // architecture

8:00am
"Cloverfield Commons: Reimagining the Future of Santa Monica Airport"
Ralph Mechur, AIA - Principal, Ralph Mechur Architects & Cloverfield Commons
Joan Ling - Housing Policy Analyst & Advocate

8:20am
"The Accelerated Housing & Transit Initiative"
Michael H. Anderson, AIA, NOMA - Principal, Anderson Barker Architects

8:40am
"Farther Apart and Closer Together"
Mohamed Sharif, AIA, RIBA – Partner, Sharif, Lynch: Architecure & Director, Undergraduate Program in Architectural Studies and Graduate Program Design Faculty, UCLA Architecture and Urban Design & Co-Chair, AIA|LA Wildfire Response Task Force

9:00am
"The Architect in Service to the Community // Pacific Palisades & Altadena Rebuilding & Recovery"
Robert Jernigan, FAIA, LEED AP - Senior Vice President, CLAYCO & Team Palisades
Matthew Trotter AIA, NOMA, NCARB - Associate, Cuningham & President, SoCal NOMA
Alison Martin, AIA – AEC Coordination, The Foothill Catalog Foundation & Senior Associate, CO Architects
May Sung, AIA - Principal, SUBU Design Architecture

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10:00am
"KEYNOTE PRESENTATION"
Hon. Karen Bass - Mayor, City of Los Angeles
W/ Q&A Facilitated by:
John Arnold, AIA - Partner, KFA Architecture & Treasurer, AIA Los Angeles
Carlos Augusto Garcia, AIA, NCARB, WELL AP - Associate Principal & Studio Director, BROOKS + SCARPA & Co-Chair, AIA|LA Government Outreach Committee

10:45am
INTERACTIVE BREAK

11:00am
"CHIP-ing in: Expanding Housing Development Feasibility in Los Angeles"
Christine Bustillos - City Planning Associate, Los Angeles City Planning
Thea Trindle - City Planner, Los Angeles City Planning
Blair Smith - Senior City Planner, Los Angeles City Planning

11:30am
"Forging Pathways to Proactive Solutions: A Multi-Sector Approach to Los Angeles' Housing Affordability Crisis"
Denice Wint - Vice President, Real Estate Development, EAH Housing & President, SCANPH
Faizah Malik - Managing Attorney, Public Counsel
Christopher Ira Koontz, AICP - Director, Community Development Department, City of Long Beach
Tricia Keane - Executive Officer, Los Angeles Housing Department (LAHD)
Moderated by:
Frances Anderton, Hon. AIA|LA – Author, Common Ground: Multifamily Housing in Los Angeles

12:30pm
Adjournment

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Day 2 Speakers - June 20th

Nithya Raman
Councilmember, District #4
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Connor Lock
Deputy Mayor of Housing
Office of Mayor Rex Richardson
City of Long Beach

Heather Flood, AIA
Dean & Professor, School of Architecture
Woodbury University

Steven Lewis, FAIA
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Darcy L. Coleman
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Dr. Dana Cuff
Professor, Architecture and Urban Design,
& Director, cityLAB-UCLA

Karen Mack
Founder & Executive Director
Leimert Park-based LA Commons

Kyle Winston
City Planner, Los Angeles City Planning,
& President, Black Planners of Los Angeles (BPLA)

Terri Osbourne
Planning Deputy, Council District 8,
& Vice President, (BPLA)

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Ryan Johnson
Interim CEO
Los Angeles County Affordable Housing Solutions

Greg Kochanowski, AIA
Design Principal
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President - Elect, AIA Los Angeles,
& Principal, Lewis | Schoeplein Architects

Jasmin Shupper
Founder & President
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Brian Lane, FAIA
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Simon Ha, AIA
Founder & CEO
Simon Ha Housing Solutions

Ryan Caldera, AIA
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Kevin Daly, FAIA
Founder, Kevin Daly Architects
& Adjunct Professor,
UCLA Architecture & Urban Design

Kaitwan Jackson
Program Manager, Partnerships
LA Commons

Yvonne Farrow
Department of Cultural Affairs
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Ariel Chen
Student
UCLA School of Architecture
& Urban Design

Xen Pei Hoi
Student
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8:00am
"COMMUNITY: Rebuild, Restore, & Remain"
Heather Flood, AIA - Dean & Professor, School of Architecture,
Woodbury University
Steven Lewis, FAIA, NOMAC - Thinking Leadership
Jasmin Shupper - Founder and CEO, Greenline Housing
Foundation
Moderated by
Greg Kochanowski, AIA, ASLA - Design Principal, Practice & Co-
Chair, AIA|LA Wildfire Response Task Force

8:45am
**"Project Recovery: Rebuilding Los Angeles after the January
2025 Wildfires"**
Darcy L. Coleman - Vice President | Asset and Investment
Management, Alagem Capital Group
Lewis C. Horne - President for Advisory Services, CBRE
David P. Waite - Partner, Cox Castle Nicholson, LLP
Clare De Briere - Founder, C+C Ventures

9:30am
"Designing with and for South LA's Black Community"
Kaitwan Jackson - Program Manager, Partnerships, LA Commons
Kyle Winston - City Planner, Los Angeles City Planning &
President, Black Planners of Los Angeles (BPLA)
Terri Osbourne - Planning Deputy, Council District 8 & Vice
President, BPLA
Yvonne Farrow - Department of Cultural Affairs, City of Los
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Moderated by:
Karen Mack - Founder & CEO, LA Commons & Commissioner, Los
Angeles City Planning Commission

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10:15am
"BEFORE REBUILDING" // *Temporary Architecture*
Kevin Daly, FAIA - Founder, Kevin Daly Architects & Adjunct Professor, UCLA Architecture & Urban Design
In conversation with:
Ariel Chen - UCLA Architecture & Urban Design
Xen Pei Hoi - UCLA Architecture & Urban Design
Spencer Young - UCLA Architecture & Urban Design
Melody Wang - UCLA Architecture & Urban Design
John Jungwoo Yoon - UCLA Architecture & Urban Design
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In conversation w/
Brian Lane, FAIA, LEED® A.P. – Principal, KoningEizenberg & Board Director, AIA Los Angeles

11:45am
KEYNOTE PANEL: HOUSING SOLUTIONS
Dr. Dana Cuff - Professor, Architecture and Urban Design, & Director, cityLAB – UCLA **- Small Lots, Big Impact**
Connor Lock - Deputy Mayor of Housing, Office of Mayor Rex Richardson, City of Long Beach
Ryan Johnson - Interim CEO, Los Angeles County Affordable Housing Solutions Agency (LACAHSA)
Simon Ha, AIA, LEED AP - Founder & CEO, Simon Ha Housing Solutions
Moderated by:
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