



Studio Urbanism Design Days 2014 August 25-27. Photos by Amanda Kline

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THOMPSON WINS AT IWF

Interior Architecture & Product Design Student Places at International Competition

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2014 Interior Architecture & Product Design (IAPD) graduate and newly hired APDesign Instructional Technologist Richard Thompson, Olathe, was honored during the week of August 18th by competing and winning 2nd place at the International Woodworking Fair (IWF) in Atlanta, GA. His chair, Tiki Lounge, rose to the top of the competition in the Commercial Design division. The chair's concept has multiple seat "settings" which adds to the ingenuity and appeal of the chair. Thompson says, "The design started with a set of goals; to design an easy to produce piece with versatility in style and seating types." To address both aspects, Thompson had to look at both the material choice as well as the "unique seat back-to-leg connection" while making sure the materials used were resourceful. The chair was fast-tracked and took only about 3 weeks to produce from design, to prototyping to completion. While the multiple settings were included during prototyping, that part of the design was cut for the final design.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Sept 5 at 4 pm
[Bryant Distinguished Lecture - David Lewis](#)

Sept. 22 4-5 pm
[Harry Mallgrave Lecture - Dept. of Arch](#)

APDPro EVENTS

Sept. 3, 12-4 pm
Holtz Hall
Walk-in Wednesday (CES)

Sept. 4, 4 pm
Union 227
Interviewing: Advice from the Experts (CES)
[SPECIAL TOPIC, TRANSITION TO CAREER LIFE]

Sept. 11, 4 pm
Union 227

Thompson was one of ten 2014 IAPD students and graduates to have their furniture accepted and shown as finalists at the competition, totaling eleven pieces out of forty. Richard not only had his piece Tiki Lounge accepted but his stool Helix Spring Stool was accepted as well.

Katherine Ankersen, IAPD Department head and professor says "We are very pleased to see Richard's creative work recognized in this way, and to have one-quarter of the student finalist work at IWF Atlanta be from K-State. Our students learn to view design problems through multiple scale lenses, and respond to human comfort, material and connection attributes, as well as "fit" within an environment. Richard's work is an excellent example of these parameters!"

Thompson would like to continue working on his design and making improvements to move toward production. He has also expressed interest in prototyping other seating types such as dining chairs and bar height with the same design process.

CHANG GALLERY - KANSAS CITY DESIGN CENTER

An exhibit of 2013-14 Kansas City Design Center student work titled: Washington Square Park Project is on exhibit in the Chang Gallery until Friday, Sept. 12.



INVITATION FROM AIAS

Welcome back to K-State! AIAS is hosting our yearly back-to-school picnic, complete with free hot dogs, drinks, popsicles, and games, such as volleyball.

Everyone within the College of APDesign is welcome to join! There is no membership requirement or fee. You may bring a significant other or friend from outside the college if you wish, that's totally cool.

The location is in City Park on the southside under the pavilion, where it was located last May.

We will be gathering in Pierce Commons at 4:30pm to lead the 1st years and anyone else to City Park. If you know where the picnic is located there is no need to meet us in Pierce! The picnic runs from 5pm to 7pm or later.

We look forward to seeing you all there!

Alexander Booth

AIAS Events Coordinator

BRYANT DISTINGUISHED LECTURE - Sept. 5, 4:00 pm

DAVID J. LEWIS, AIA | Distinguished Lecture Series | Bryant Lecture

How to Succeed at a Career Fair (CES)
[SPECIAL TOPIC, TRANSITION TO CAREER LIFE]

Sept. 11, 7-8:30 pm

McCain Auditorium

["The Ghost Map: How One Doctor Changed The World By Listening To His Patients" by Steven Johnson](#)

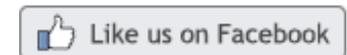
Sept. 14, 5:30 pm Union

Little Theatre

APDPro KICKOFF EVENT - Featuring Bob Borson, "Life of An Architect"

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Architecture
Friday, September 5, 2014; 4:00pm
K-State Union Forum Hall

Topic:

Architecture of Social Intensification

David J. Lewis, Founding Principal of New York City based LTL Architects (Lewis.Tsurumaki.Lewis) and Associate Professor of Architecture at Parsons The New School for Design will present recent work of his

design-driven architecture firm. Using examples from his office, Professor Lewis will argue for an architecture that promotes, encourages and fosters social interaction. In an era of devices of digital distraction, Professor Lewis will make the case that architecture has a unique and evolving role in structuring and staging social relationships through material, spatial and formal means unique to the discipline.

THIRD FLOOR TIDBITS - WEIGEL LIBRARY

Weigel Library has eight College of APDesign students employed as library assistants for the 2014 fall semester. During the 77 hours a week Weigel is open, these students are in the library to assist patrons with their research and/or technology questions.

The student assistants are: Benjamin Williamson (LA), Danielle DeOrsey (LA), Joe D'Elia (ARCH), Joe Foster (PLAN), Katherine Gutierrez (ARCH), Kristianna Johnson (ARCH), Rebecca Roberts (ARCH) and Taylor Lininger (LA).

Among the books that have recently arrived in Weigel are - Ettore Sottsass - NK 1452 .Z9 S6813 2011; House with sixteen handmade doors: a tale of architectural choice and craftsmanship - NA 7238 .A77 P48 2014; and Lake|Flato Houses: embracing the landscape - NA 737 .L25 A4 2014. Look for them on the New Resources shelf.

Remember when you're in Weigel please ask our student assistants for help.

Additional Notices:

K-State Libraries Student Ambassadors Opportunity

K-State Libraries are looking for undergraduate and graduate students for the Libraries Student Ambassadors. The application deadline is Friday, September 5 and students can apply online at www.lib.k-state.edu/ambassadors. Interviews will be scheduled with a select number of applicants for September 13, 2014.

Ambassadors will gain valuable leadership experience by serving as both advisers to the Libraries and representatives for the Libraries at social, cultural, and fundraising activities. The expected time commitment is about four hours of service per month.

For more information visit www.lib.k-state.edu/ambassadors or contact Sara Kearns at 785.532.7446 or skearns@k-state.edu.

