As this semester wraps up I want to congratulate our 5th year students on their accomplishments and wish them the best in the future. For the rest, thanks so much for producing some really amazing work this semester. I tried to see as much as I could last week and it was impressive. Thanks to our faculty and staff for their tireless efforts over the year. For everyone, rest up this summer as it is going to be an exciting fall. With a new building to break in and accreditation, it will be at times crazy, busy, and who knows what but it sure will be fun to be in facilities as good as our program and to show off what we do to the accrediting team.

Best,

Matthew Knox, AIA
Professor and Head

Congratulations to Tara Sears of Professor Nathan Howe's studio, winner of the 2017 Heintzelman Prize for her project "Atlanta Bazaar" and to the el dorado design + make studio, winners of the 2017 Kremer Prize for their "Waldo Affordable Housing" project.
Tara Sears’ project 'Atlanta Bazaar'

Design+make students pictured above with the HK jurors

**APDWest Move-Out**

Students must have all belongings removed from APDWest no later than 12 pm (noon) on **MAY 13**. Although we will not be returning to APDWest, please be respectful and do your part in making your studio clean and ready for the next occupants of the building.
Check out the graphic design offering from the Department of Art. This is a great general elective course for students in Manhattan this summer! Click the poster for more details.

The DesignIntelligence Student Survey is taking place now! Vote APDesign here. Your participation in completing this short survey is vitally important in helping us maintain our lofty national reputation in each of our disciplines. Prospective students view and weigh the results of these surveys in determining their college and career choice.

Commencement rehearsal is at 3:30 pm on Thursday, May 11. REHEARSAL IS MANDATORY (except for off-campus students). Please be on time. You will pick up your tickets at rehearsal.

Commencement is in McCain Auditorium beginning promptly at 10 a.m. on Saturday, May 13. Students need to be at McCain no later than 9 a.m. fully dressed and ready to go. During the hour before commencement a photographer will take your headshot and then you will get lined up. You will assemble in the Band Room (201 McCain).

Graduate School commencement is on Friday, May 12 at 1 p.m. in Bramlage Coliseum.
Students may choose to walk in either or both ceremonies.

Full details found [HERE](#)

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**MAY**
8-12 Final exams week
9  Faculty meeting at 2:30 pm in the Chang Gallery
11 Commencement rehearsal at 3:30 pm in McCain Auditorium
12 Graduate School Commencement at Bramlage Coliseum at 1:00 pm
13  [APDesign Commencement](#) 10:00 am McCain Auditorium, students show up at 9:00 am