Design Expo 2016 is upon us!

Seventy-two firms and a couple organizations will be in attendance, showing their wares and hopeful of talking to all of our students, not just those about to enter the permanent workforce. This is three times the number of firms that were in attendance at Design Expo a few years ago...and seventy-two more firms than conducted interviews when I graduated from my program thirty years ago!

Why are they here?
Not just to hire, but to familiarize students and faculty with their firms and their focus. They are here in these numbers because they know the quality of our programs and the intensity of our graduates. They are here because they are aware that our faculty and staff remain dedicated to educating our students to make an immediate impact in the realm of practice while helping prepare them to extend the traditional peripheries of their disciplines. For those of you in your last year here this is the culmination of a long string of career placement activities from mock-interviews to portfolio prep sessions. You are ready!

This is a learning experience, an enhancement to your education! For those still in the midst of your studies, this is an opportunity to chart out employment and internship opportunities and to hone your academic focus by learning about firms’ directions and practices in formulating your own professional trajectory.

This is a time to represent APDesign and be thankful! Remember, these firms and organizations are supportive of APDesign and your education in many ways. Most of the participating firms give back to the college in the form of scholarships, excellence funds, and direct involvement and engagement in our teaching, research and outreach mission. Your attendance helps them understand your appreciation for their dedication to our programs. It also convinces them that they should come back next and every year!

Don't look a gift horse in the mouth!
I just returned from a meeting of deans from accredited programs across the nation. When our conversations turned to career events and they heard the number, quality, diversity and geographic spread of our Design Expo lineup this year, they were in awe, literally shaking their heads in envy! Let's validate our Design Expo participants’ decision to come to Manhattan with a robust turnout and great showing of faculty, staff and students! It is important that all of you take the opportunity to visit Design Expo for a few hours on Friday. Be there and be present! Represent! And be sure to thank the Design Expo committee members for their efforts on our behalf.
DISTINGUISHED LECTURE - THOMAS WOLTZ, FEB 29

THOMAS WOLTZ, FASLA, CLARB
Landscape Architecture Distinguished Lecture
TODAY AT 4PM K-State Union Little Theater

Redefining the Productive Landscape
The Conservation Agriculture Studio at Nelson Byrd Woltz Landscape Architects

Thomas Woltz is the owner of Nelson Byrd Woltz Landscape Architects. He was named the Design Innovator of the Year by the Wall Street Journal Magazine in 2013. In 2011, he was invested into the American Society of Landscape Architects Council of Fellows, among the highest honors achieved in the profession.

APDPro
APDesign Distinguished Lecture: Thomas Woltz
[SPRING LECTURE]
Monday, Feb 29, 4 p.m., Forum Hall, KSU Student Union

Walk-in Wednesday (CES)
[SPECIAL TOPIC]
Wednesday, March 2, 12-4 p.m., Holtz Hall

Study Abroad 101 Session
[SPECIAL TOPIC/OFF-CAMPUS OPPS]
Thursday, March 3, 11:30 a.m., 304 Fairchild Hall

Design Expo - Required for 3rd Year APDPro Students
[SPECIAL TOPIC/DESIGN EXPO]
Friday, March 4, 10 a.m.-3 p.m., Hilton Garden Inn

Study Abroad 101 Session
[SPECIAL TOPIC/OFF-CAMPUS OPPS]
Friday, March 4, 1:30 p.m., 304 Fairchild Hall

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