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APDesign Open House - April 7

Get excited! As a part of K-State's Open House, we are debuting our new facility with our first open house after the expansion! Be sure to come take part in countless interactive exhibits, learn something new about the other departments (or your own!), and show your support to our College!
We'll see you on April 8! Open House runs from 9am-3pm.

Tom Phillips, APDesign’s Alumni Fellow

Tom Phillips is one of 12 distinguished Kansas State University alumni honored as a 2018 Alumni Fellow. Phillips is an Alumni Fellow for the College of Architecture, Planning and Design and will be on campus to present guest lectures April 11-13.

UPCOMING EVENTS

APRIL
4 Ekdahl Lecture at 4:30 pm in Regnier Forum; Marlon Blackwell
7 K-State Open House
12-20 KC Design Week

MAY
3 APDesign Golf Tournament
4 Dean’s Advisory Council
7-11 Final exams week
10 APDesign Graduation Rehearsal at McCain Auditorium, 3:00PM
11 Graduate School Commencement at Bramlage Coliseum
12 APDesign Commencement at 10:00 am in McCain Auditorium

Where do you go first for information about APDesign events?
Phillips, Manhattan, Kansas, is a state representative for the Kansas 67th district and assistant majority leader. He relocated his family to Manhattan in 1992 after serving as a director of planning and development in Lenexa, Kansas. He owned his own consulting firm, Phillips & Associates, which provided community planning services throughout the Midwest. He was active in the Kansas Chapter of the American Planning Association, serving as president, past-president and treasurer. He also is a former member of the American Institute of Certified Planners, Urban Land Institute and American Planning Association.

In 2017, he was named Citizen of the Year by the Manhattan Area Chamber of Commerce. Phillips and his wife, Debra Doubek-Phillips, M.D., have two adult sons, Nathan and Neil.

Phillips received two degrees from K-State, a bachelor’s degree in geography in 1980 and a master’s degree in regional and community planning in 1983.

Answers:

Previous Poll: How many hours a week (outside of studio and class time) do you spend in our buildings?
None - 5%
0-10 hours - 5%
10-20 hours - 11.7%
20-30 hours - 31.7%
30+ - 46.7%

APDesign graduate students host design dialog exhibition

Three graduate students will host a design dialog exhibition sponsored by Downtown Wichita: Skylar Brown, Eureka; Andrea Lemken, Blue Springs, Missouri; and Wei Sun, China, with faculty advisor and associate professor Katie Kingery-Page from the landscape architecture and regional & community planning department in K-State’s College of Architecture, Planning & Design. The students will exhibit their ideas in an immersive installation through March 30 at Fisch Haus in Wichita.

Chester I. Lewis Reflection Park in Wichita is a downtown pocket park commemorating the life of a prominent lawyer of the Young Turks era of the NAACP. Part of Lewis’ legacy, the Dockum Drugstore Sit-In of 1958, was the first successful sit-in of the Civil Rights Movement in the United States. Although the park opened in 2000, it was not designated to commemorate Chester Lewis until 2007. At that time, the city installed a sculpture representing a lunch counter. The park’s location is within blocks of the actual Dockum Drugstore Sit-In site, now the Ambassador Hotel. In its current condition, Lewis Park is underutilized. This hypothetical, student project aims to start a dialogue on the future of the park. The student design team advocates for strengthening the park’s commemorative significance and providing inclusive green space in the downtown. The student designers address the future potential of Lewis Park through three lenses: cultural inclusiveness, theories of nature and psychological restoration, and linking strands of civil rights history through city streetscapes. Findings from community input result in a series of proposals — work in progress intended to promote community dialogue for the future of the park.

“At K-State APDesign, we prioritize service learning,” Kingery-Page said. “Engaging stakeholders in Wichita on this project gives our students a chance to learn what Wichitans value about their incredibly rich civil rights history … And lets our students experience the very start of a design dialogue about a significant public space.”

“The students have been digesting these landmark cultural connections in Kansas and starting to understand the larger context of the national civil rights movement,” said associate professor La Barbara James Wigfall. “Their approach to this interactive installation is evocative and contemplative for community stakeholders or the casual observer.”
Weigel Library

Thanks from Maxine —
I got my new knee (1/29); now I’m back in Weigel fulltime and I don’t set off the security gates when I walk through!

My sincere thanks to the College of APDesign administration, faculty, staff and students for your cooperation and patience during my absence from Weigel. Thank you, too, for all the emails and cards wishing me well and a quick recovery. It was nice to know so many people cared and missed me in Weigel.

I had complete confidence in my student library assistants to do a good job and to keep Weigel operating smoothly for our patrons. And they did just that! Thanks kids, you did a great job taking care of our library and our patrons.

Resource of the Week – El Croquis
is one of the most prestigious architectural magazines in the world; and Weigel has a subscription! Six large format issues a year provide outstanding inspiration, instruction and research assistance. Croquis articles can be found using Avery Index to Architectural Periodicals (K-State Libraries webpage – Research – Article Databases – A – Avery Index to Architectural Periodicals). You’ll find the physical volumes in Weigel at NA 5 .C7.

LibQUAL 2018
Thanks to the APDesign persons who completed the K-State Libraries’ LibQUAL 2018 survey. 29,099 was the survey population size. At the conclusion of the survey’s three-week duration K-State Libraries received 1653 valid responses. Of that total 105 or 6.37% of the participants claimed Weigel as their library of choice. More survey information to follow; stay tuned. Nine Weigel survey respondents received APDesign merchandise in a drawing.

Movie Night with NOMAS

Do you binge watch Chef’s Table on Netflix? Do you like funny movies about (not-so) friendly competition? Are you curious about other countries and cultures? Then you should join NOMAS on Tuesday April 3rd from 7-9pm in Regnier Forum to watch The Hundred Foot Journey starring Helen Mirren and Om Puri. Learn about how different cultures clash and come together, all through the comedic tale of a scrappy rivalry between two restaurants in France.
Kalu Yala Scholarship

Eligibility:
To be eligible for the Kalu Yala Scholarship you have to meet one of the following criteria:

High school senior that has been accepted into a college or university.
Current college or university student that is not in their final semester. This includes all education levels (undergraduate, graduate, post-graduate).

Guidelines:
To apply for this scholarship you must write a 500-word essay on the topic: “The Main Benefits of Studying Abroad”.

Deadline:
December 31, 2018. To apply, go to: http://kaluyalascholarship.com/

Your copy should address 3 key questions: Who am I writing for? (Audience) Why should they care? (Benefit) What do I want them to do here? (Call-to-Action)

Create a great offer by adding words like “free” “personalized” “complimentary” or “customized.” A sense of urgency often helps readers take an action, so think about inserting phrases like “for a limited time only” or “only 7 remaining!”

KC Design Week

DESIGN HAS THE POWER TO INFORM, CONNECT, AND INSPIRE OUR LIVES. IT’S OUR BUILDINGS, OUR PRODUCTS, OUR LANDSCAPES, OUR MEDIA, AND OUR ENVIRONMENTS. KC DESIGN WEEK IS A SERIES OF EVENTS THAT CELEBRATES THE VALUE OF DESIGN AND HIGHLIGHTS ITS IMPACT ON OUR COMMUNITY AND OUR WORLD.

Join us for a collaborative experience that offers opportunities to interact with all areas of design — architecture, graphics, interiors, products, fashion, landscape architecture, planning, and more. We’ll see you April 12-20.

For more info: kcdesignweek.org

Spring 2018
APDesign Commencement

Saturday, May 12 | 10:00 am in McCain Auditorium

Commencement rehearsal is Thursday, May 10 | 3:30pm.
REHEARSAL IS MANDATORY (except for off-campus students). Please be on time.

Tickets for commencement will be given out at rehearsal.
For more information CLICK HERE!

Ekdahl Lecture Series

Marlon Blackwell, FAIA, April 4, 2018 | 4:30PM, Regnier Forum

Lecture Title: Abstraction in a Landscape of Unholy Unions.

Marlon Blackwell, FAIA, is a practicing architect in Fayetteville, Arkansas, and serves as the E. Fay Jones Distinguished Professor at the Fay Jones School of Architecture + Design at the University of Arkansas. Working outside the architectural mainstream, his architecture is based in design strategies that draw upon vernaculars, typologies, and the contradictions of place: strategies that seek to transgress conventional boundaries for architecture. His design work has received recognition with numerous national and international design awards and significant publication in books, architectural journals and magazines.