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Washington Chapter American Society of Landscape Architects

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## Messages

### JOIN WASLA ON FACEBOOK AND LINKEDIN

WASLA has joined our professional comrades and entered the 21st century of social networking. Please join us or become our biggest fan on [LinkedIn](#) and [Facebook](#). You'll get the latest up to date news on events, lectures, happy hour series, etc. This is a great way to stay connected, reunite with old friends and co-workers and be in the know

## Events Calendar

**September 18**  
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### 2009-2010 EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Please join us in congratulating the newly elected 2009-2010 WASLA Executive Committee.

President Elect - Len Zickler, FASLA  
President - Kellye Hilde, ASLA  
Past President - Ed Winkley, ASLA  
Trustee - Don Benson, ASLA  
Treasurer - Jasmine Aryana, ASLA  
Secretary - Katie Bang, ASLA  
Member at Large (Western Washington) - David Hilgers, ASLA  
Associate Member at Large (Western Washington) - Courtney Landoll, ASLA  
Member at Large (Eastern Washington) - Craig Anderson, ASLA

The 2009-2010 Executive Committee term begins in October and we're very excited to work with new and returning members of the Executive Committee. Thank you to all who participated in this year's election and for your support of and dedication to WASLA.

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## WASLA/UW MENTORSHIP PROGRAM

Dear ASLA Members,

It is again the time of year for us to get the WASLA/UW Mentorship Program started and we need your help! We hope to make this the best and most rewarding year yet for the mentorship program.

Participation is easy. Please list your information below and send it back to me at [carriec@highridge.com](mailto:carriec@highridge.com). Then the student representative and I will pair you with a student by late September and off you go!

Name:  
Company:  
Address:  
Phone:  
Email:  
Areas of Interest:

Introductions will be made at the UW Student Orientation Day on Tuesday, September 29th from 4pm - 7pm. From there, we ask you to participate by spending 2-3 hours per month with your student as both of your schedules allow. Typical activities would include a tour of your office and perhaps a project site, desk critiques, help with portfolio building, introductions to colleagues and other professionals, and attendance at reviews.

In order to coordinate for the September 29th event, I would appreciate a reply by Friday, September 25th.

Thank you in advance for your interest and participation!  
Sincerely,

Carrie Culp, RLA, ASLA  
WASLA Mentorship Program Chair

## EDITOR'S NOTE

If you would like to contribute to the WASLA Monthly Newsletter please send inquiries to the chapter office at [office@wasla.org](mailto:office@wasla.org).

## Announcements

## EMERGING PROFESSIONALS HAPPY HOUR SERIES

Site Workshop LLC, Seattle  
September 18, 2009  
5:30-7:00 pm

Join us September 18 at Site Workshop for the 2009 AIA/  
WASLA Emerging Professionals Happy Hour Series.

The AIA/WASLA Happy Hour Series has been a great success since its launch last year. Students, young professionals, interns, senior staff, management and principals have enjoyed a great evening of food and drink as design offices in the Seattle area have showcased their firm as well as award winning projects. Be there at 5:30 September 18th as Site Workshop continues the series.

Site Workshop LLC  
1927 Post Alley  
Seattle, WA 98101  
[www.siteworkshop.net](http://www.siteworkshop.net)

## 2009 NATURAL AREAS CONFERENCE

The Washington Department of Natural Resources and several co-sponsoring agencies (see below) are joining together to offer a national educational forum on natural resources and conservation land management in our state this fall.

Join us in Vancouver for your in-state educational opportunity for 2009!

36th Natural Areas Conference  
September 15-18, 2009  
Vancouver, WA, USA

[Review the educational sessions.](#)

[Read about our informative plenary speakers.](#)

Conference Sponsors:

WA Department of Natural Resources  
WA State Recreation and Conservation Office  
WA State Department of Fish and Wildlife  
WA State Department of Ecology  
The Nature Conservancy of Washington  
National Park Service  
Bureau of Land Management  
U.S. Forest Service  
Federal Highway Administration  
Washington Rare Plant Care and Conservation Program

For more information, email [NAA2009@dnr.wa.gov](mailto:NAA2009@dnr.wa.gov).

Curt Pavola, WA DNR, conference organizer; 360.902.1032  
and

Pene Speaks, WA DNR, conference program chair,  
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## GREEN GARDENING PROGRAM OFFERS TWO IPM WORKSHOPS FOR LANDSCAPE PROFESSIONALS THIS FALL

### **From Edible Landscapes to Green Infrastructure: The Full Toolkit of IPM Approaches**

Wednesday, November 4, 2009

7:15 AM to 4:00 PM (full-day and half-day options)

South Seattle Community College

### **Landscapes in Transition**

Wednesday, November 18, 2009

7:15 AM to 12:00 PM (half-day only)

Lake Washington Technical College

Fee: \$50 full-day (with lunch) or \$35 half-day (no lunch). Pre-registration required. Pesticide recertification and continued education credits from WSDA, ISA, CPH, and CLT.

*Sponsored by Seattle Public Utilities and funded by the Local Hazardous Waste Management Program in King County.*

Edible plantings, rain gardens, and pesticide-free landscapes are a handful of hot topics in the landscaping field. Seattle's new stormwater protection rules and low impact development are changing landscape design and maintenance requirements. Come to one or both of these workshops to gain practical knowledge from leaders in the field who are rising to the challenge of sustainable landscapes.

Topics for the November 4th workshop at South Seattle Community include: edible plants in the landscape; green stormwater infrastructure such as rain gardens; sustainable maintenance of shrubs and perennials; IPM solutions for tree diseases; a precautionary approach to pesticide use; and a 3-hour session in Spanish on tree care.

Topics for the November 18th workshop at Lake Washington Technical College include: the Woodland Park Rose Garden's transition to 100% organic maintenance; changes to Lake Washington Technical College's grounds; and a panel discussion with landscaping practitioners on how to help customers transition to sustainable landscapes.

**Download the registration brochure** at [www.seattle.gov/util/proipm](http://www.seattle.gov/util/proipm) or call (206) 449-1149 for more information.

**PREMIERE SCREENING**  
**A PLACE FOR PEOPLE: THE HERBERT BAYER**  
**EARTHWORKS**

On Thursday, September 24 at 7pm, please join us in the Henry Auditorium for the premiere screening of the documentary A Place for People: The Herbert Bayer Earthworks. The evening will begin with music by the composer Paul Rucker who contributed the soundtrack. Cheryl dos Remedios, writer and co-producer/director, will introduce many of the people featured in the documentary. A casual reception will follow, hosted by the Kent Arts Commission.

Mill Creek Canyon Earthworks, located in Kent, Washington is renowned for being a Modernist masterpiece. Designed by Bauhaus master Herbert Bayer, it is composed of grassy mounds and a functioning dam, allowing water that runs down the Mill Creek Canyon to collect in a sculpted basin during storms. A Place For People: The Herbert Bayer Earthworks tells the story of how this icon of green infrastructure came to be built.

In the 1970s, a group of women living in Kent desired to start an arts commission. Their plans quickly became intertwined with the broader history of public art in our region. Installed in 1982, the Earthworks was immediately lauded for its fusion of art and infrastructure, yet the issues that initially necessitated the project have intensified. Changes in storm water and fisheries regulations have impacted the work, prompting a cross-disciplinary investigation into the artist Herbert Bayer's original intent, his biography and his influence. In 2008, the Earthworks was designated an "exceptionally significant" local landmark. Today, even as the earthwork undergoes renovation, the Kent Arts Commission continues to host contemporary dance performances and eco-art installations at the Earthworks.

Reserve your FREE ticket today! <http://earthworks.eventbrite.com>

*This documentary is a collaboration between many organizations and individuals, including the Kent Arts Commission, the Kent Landmarks Commission, the City of Kent Cultural Division, Parks Planning and Maintenance, Environmental Engineering and Multimedia, with a special thanks to Seth Frankel for co-directing/producing and editing. We would like to take this opportunity to thank 4Culture, King County Historic Preservation Program, University of Washington's Department of Landscape Architecture's Construction/Hydrology Studio, SvR Design, Kent Historical Society, Seattle Office of Arts & Cultural Affairs and Seattle Art Museum as well as all of the artists, landscape architects and historians who participated in the "channeling herbert" exhibition. We gratefully acknowledge all of the Kent*

*community members who supported the installation of the Bayer Earthworks, as well as everyone involved in the "Earthworks: Land Reclamation as Sculpture" symposium.*

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## 12TH ANNUAL NORTHWEST ECOBUILDING GUILD MEMBER'S RETREAT, OCTOBER 23-25

Get inspired and help us drive the green building movement forward! Join us at the 2009 Northwest EcoBuilding Guild member retreat, October 23-25 at Pilgrim Firs Conference Center - just outside of Port Orchard, WA.

This year's theme is **Educate. Build. Transform.** *Inspiring the Next Green Generation.* The retreat is open to Guild members only, so take advantage of our special rates for WASLA members: Join the Guild for \$45 basic membership or \$65 professional membership, and sign up for the retreat by September 18th for only \$210 (a savings of \$50). Retreat information, including schedule and program overview, can be found at <http://ecobuilding.org/retreat/>. Hope to see you there.