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PRESIDENT'S INVITATION: COME TO THE FALL EXPO ON OCTOBER 8 AT THE BELL HARBOR CONFERENCE CENTER!

By Carrie Culp, WASLA President

I want to encourage all of you to attend WASLA's Fall Expo, to be held at Seattle's beautiful Bell Harbor Conference Center on Friday, October 8. This all-day event takes place only once every two years. It is an excellent opportunity to reconnect with your fellow landscape architects and WASLA members, and to discuss issues of common concern. Breakfast, lunch, and snacks will be served - and a cocktail hour will follow the event at 5pm.

Focusing on the theme of "Healthy Landscapes: Activity, Ecology and Aesthetics," this year's Expo has an emphasis on Green Design including green certification programs and green roof technologies. I would like to thank WASLA's Committee on the Environment (COTE) for organizing a field trip as a follow-up to one of the seminars. The field trip will take participants on a two-hour boat tour along the Duwamish on Saturday, October 9th at a cost of \$10 per participant. Along the way plans and programs for the re-greening of this polluted urban waterway will be discussed. Seating is limited, so be sure to register soon. Online registration for the Duwamish field trip is forthcoming, but if you'd like to register now, please email the WASLA office at office@wasla.org.

Our keynote address will be given by Virginia Anderson, Director of the Seattle Center and recipient of the 2004 National ASLA LaGasse Medal, given to one non-landscape architect each year for excellence in the management of public lands and natural resources in the public interest.

Our parallel theme addresses the on-going movement to upgrade our Washington State Landscape Architecture Title Act to a Practice Act. Did you know that Washington State is one of only a handful of states in the country to have only the weaker, Title Act form of licensure? Our state is surrounded by states - Oregon, California, and Idaho - that currently have a Practice Act. It is National ASLA's goal to have all 50 states hold a Practice Act by 2010. Come learn how this will positively affect you and your practice at this event co-hosted by WASLA President-Elect, Matt Mathes, and National ASLA's Manager of State Government Affairs, Julia Lent. Julia is making a special trip to Washington to address the Expo audience and to answer questions. The keynote

speaker for this topic is Cliff Webster, Chief Counsel, who will serve as the professional lobbyist for our legislative campaign to strengthen the existing law.

Thanks to support by our local vendors and WASLA, this event is offered to you at the early registry price of \$45 for ASLA members and \$75 to non-members through September 17, 2004. These prices will increase on September 18th so please register soon! Students will be charged \$25 regardless of time of registration.

If you have any questions about this exciting day of interaction with your colleagues and allied professionals, please call Expo Committee Chair, Anna O'Connell at (206) 783-5840; Past President, Brooks Kolb at (206) 324-0858; or the WASLA Office at (206) 443-9484. Don't forget that you can register for this event on-line at www.wasla.org.

We look forward to seeing you there!

FALL EXPO CALENDAR OF EVENTS

The 2004 WASLA Expo and Conference *Healthy Landscapes: Activity, Ecology, and Aesthetics* will take place on October 8th at the Bell Harbor International Conference Center on Seattle's waterfront from 8:30am to 6pm. Register online at www.wasla.org, or register via phone by calling the WASLA office at 206-443-9484. In addition to the sessions listed below, there will be breakfast, vendor exhibits all day, lunch, and a no-host cocktail hour.

8:30AM–9AM	Coffee and Breakfast	
9AM–9:15AM	Welcome and Introductions	
9:15AM–9:50AM	Keynote Speaker Virginia Anderson, Director of Seattle Center and National ASLA's 2004 LaGasse Medal recipient	
10AM–10:50AM	Understanding LEED™, BuiltGreen, and Beyond* Deb Guenther, Mithun Joe Cloud, EDAW *Sponsored by the WASLA Committee on the Environment	Sustaining You: Sustainable Agriculture and its Implications for a Healthy Urban Environment Karen Luetjen, Seattle Tilth
11AM–11:50AM	ASLA Battles for 50 by 2010: Licensure and Legislation Part I Julia M. Lent, National ASLA Cliff Webster, Carney Badley Spellman	
12NOON–12:50PM	Lunch Dedicated vendor exhibit time	
2PM–2:50PM	Getting There in 2005: Licensure and Legislation Part II Stan Bowman, AIA Washington Jay Goldstein, Jay A. Goldstein Law Office Charles Warsinske, SB & Associates Matt Mathes, Washington Chapter ASLA	Green Roofs: The Fifth Façade Margarett Harrison, Mithun Peg Staeheli, SvR
3PM–3:50AM	<i>Duwamish River: Restoring a Critical</i>	Community Design and Healthy Living:

*Portion of the Seattle Waterfront**
 Charles Cuniff, Environmental
 Coalition of South Seattle
 Heather Trimm, People for Puget
 Sound
 Nate Cormier, Jones & Jones
 *Sponsored by the WASLA
 Committee on the Environment. On
 October 9th there will be an
 associated river cruise to
 complement this session.

What's the Connection?
 Ned Conroy, Puget Sound Regional
 Council
 David Levinger, Feet First

4PM–4:50PM

Building-Integrated Landscapes
 Mark Huppert, Catapult
 Development

A Horticulturalist's Perspective
 Linda Chalker-Scott, Washington State
 University

5PM–6PM

Cocktail Reception

'CENTER CITY SEATTLE' OPEN HOUSE

On September 20, Mayor Nickels and Bruce Katz of the Brookings Institution, will host an open house to speak about metropolitan competitiveness and the critical role the urban center plays in developing thriving, competitive regions. This open house event is part of Mayor Nickels' "Center City Seattle" project, a strategy for Seattle's downtown core, and the nine centrally located neighborhoods immediately surrounding it, that focuses on economic growth, transportation, new housing, and great urban neighborhoods.

Visit <http://www.ci.seattle.wa.us/dclu/news/20040830b.asp> for more information.

DOWNTOWN BELLEVUE DESIGN CHARRETTE

The City of Bellevue, Bellevue Downtown Association, and group of local design professionals have come together to plan a design charrette focusing on Downtown Bellevue. The goal for the charrette is to define a Northwest urbanism that creates beautiful, livable and memorable places appropriate for Downtown Bellevue.

The charrette will take place from 9am to 6pm on September 17 & 18 in the atrium of the Key Center building on the Pedestrian Corridor (601 108th Ave NE). 50 local architects, urban designers, and landscape architects are expected to participate. The public is invited to attend the event and see how this interactive design process works. Teams will display their products at the end of both day 1 and day 2 (around 5:30pm).

Visit <http://www.cityofbellevue.org/page.asp?view=3623> for more information.