Dear SARA Members and Friends of the Society:

First and foremost I would like to thank all for the great support you have given me and to our beloved Society.

I want to thank our Board of Directors and Staff for a great first Teleconference meeting on January 26th, which was a great success and was as productive as other attended meetings in the past. I think this has shown that we can accomplish at least one teleconference meeting every year in order to save travel time and expense to our Board.

We will be having our April 27th meeting at Parc Condominium Conference Room in Rittenhouse Square, this could not have been possible without our Abby Schwartz, FARA contacts.

I will also like to announce the retainment of our SARAScope Editor of Publications, Karmen Harris, who has shown great enthusiasm in getting involved with our website as well as becoming an integral part of the website committee. She will be working alongside Doug Joyce, FARA and Team.

New SARA ID cards—Yes, we are in process of replacing our paper ID cards with new plastic cards. We will discuss this issue at our April Board Meeting.

Carl Gramentz, FARA and Cathie Moscato, Executive Director have been diligently working on the research to restructure our Board of Directors, allowing 2 Associate members to be a part of the Board of Directors and leaving the remaining 7 as Member Directors. The referendum is on its way for a formal vote that will take place at the end of the year, Thank you Cathie & Carl for your invaluable help.

The implementation of a new award is on its way, I will introduce a new award specifically for SARA Associates that recognizes outstanding leaders for their contribution to their SARA Council, Chapters, Communities and the Architectural Profession. This will be introduced in our April Board Meeting as well.

The SARA Design Awards Committee, along with the Executive Board, has been closely working together in developing strategies for this year’s 63rd Annual Conference and The SARA’s Design Awards. It gives me great pleasure to announce that the conference will be held in Chicago, IL from October 30th to November 3rd 2019. The conference hotel will be The Chicago Athletic Club and the venue for The SARA’s will be at the hip VenueSix10.

Tours and activities will be announced at a later date once we secure them. Plan and prepare to attend this promising great Conference and Design Awards, as well as submitting your preferred projects to be considered in this year’s SARA’s.

Please enjoy our First Quarter SARAScope which is full of accomplishment as well as in information and successes of our Society. See you in Philly!

Respectfully Yours,

Your National President,
Octavio A. Santurio, F.A.R.A.
Welcome Our Newest MEMBERS

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Join the conversation by leaving a comment or question. Send us articles, article ideas, sketches, photos, projects you'd like to share. Email us at sarascope@sara-national.org.

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Founded in 1956, SARA is a practitioner-led and governed professional society that includes the participation of architects and industry affiliates in diverse roles within the architectural and design community. SARA stresses a high degree of professional fellowship and mentor-ship, its credo being "Architect Helping Architect." For more information: https://www.sara-national.org

Welcome to the World
Dane Irving Dong Goldbarg, born March 15, 2019.

A Big Congratulations to the Goldbarg Family & the proud Grandparents, Dennis & Patty Dong!
1st Annual Teleconference
2018 4th Quarter Board meeting

By: Meredyth Santurio-Sager

We began the New Year in the digital age with our 1st Annual Teleconference which was a great success. We had a few trial runs in November in preparation, to ensure a smooth running meeting.

It was great to see most of the familiar faces on screen but I must admit, there is nothing like having an in-person round table discussion, the energy that emits is powerful and the time we all share together validates the camaraderie our beloved society shares for one another.

Many important topics were discussed, as well as celebrating our 2018 Design Awards & Conference success. The planning for our 63rd Annual Conference & Design Awards held this year in Chicago, IL are in full force and we are excited to take our events to the next level, year after year, enticing new members, students, professionals and aspiring Architects to be a part of SARA.

Our website is coming along and will keep evolving as this year progresses. 2019 Board meeting locations are all set and we look forward to seeing you all in Philadelphia in April or in San Francisco in July.

SARA Council News

CALIFORNIA
San Diego Chapter meets monthly for lunch and discussions on the practice of Architecture. They also hold impromptu field trips to visit projects under construction. There are currently 12 members in the San Diego Chapter.

FLORIDA
Our Florida Council President Kevin Regalado and his team, started the year off in full force continuing to hold monthly CEUs open to all SARA members and spear-heading ideas for Happy Hours, Office Crawls & in the future hosting ARE Study Sessions to local members in the process of licensure. If you are interested in attending a CEU seminar or would like more information, simply e-mail kevin.regalado@jacobs.com to be added to the list and stay current with the happenings in Florida.

Some past seminar lectures:

March 24th, 2019
Viva Railings “Modular Railing Systems” 1 CEU

April 8th, 2019
Hendrick Architectural “Uses, Applications and Advantages of Perforates Metal and Profile Wire” 1 CEU

NEW YORK
SARA’s New York Council is preparing for their June 18th Design Awards Gala at Battery Gardens Restaurant. Check out New York Council’s website for further information. You won’t want to miss this great event.

Young SARA – Valerie Costa and Gabriela Branez, Associate ARA members are running this ARE Study Group Committee and with the help of the NY Council Executive Director arrange the meetings with guests speakers. Look for dates and locations of future events on their website – www.sarany.org

PENNSYLVANIA
SARA’s Pennsylvania Council continues their Emerging Professional/Student Outreach activities combining this activity with the “After Hours” and Lecture Series Presentations. The Council is very excited for this great opportunity to bring the Council Members together.

The PA Council’s Design Award program has been rescheduled for the fall of 2019. The Brandywine Chapter of the PA Council is continuing to grow under the leadership of Tom Dever and meets the 2nd Wednesday of every month. Check out further details on Council Activities at www.sarapa.org
63rd Annual Conference & Design Awards in Chicago, IL

October 30th – November 3rd
By: Meredyth Santurio-Sager

Our 63rd Annual National Conference & National Design Awards will be held this Fall in CHICAGO!!! See and tour the Windy City like you never have before! Our committees are working hard and planning is in full effect. We are excited for what is in store!

Stay tuned for more information!
SARA takes San Francisco
By: Meredyth Santurio-Sager

Our 2nd Quarter Board meeting will be taking place on July 13th, 2019 in San Francisco at the offices of Fong & Chan Architects. A big thank you to Dennis Dong for making this happen & David Fong for hosting our meeting at their office. We are excited to be on the West Coast and are planning to have a packed agenda to take on San Fran, SARA Style. With glorious skyscrapers and downtown vibes we will explore the town in great company. Looking forward to seeing you there!

Join us in Philly
By: Meredyth Santurio-Sager

Twenty SARA members attended the National Board Meeting on Saturday, April 27 to review the activities of the 1st Quarter of 2019 and to discuss the upcoming events going into the 2nd Quarter of the year. Thank you to Abby Schwartz for arranging the Parc Rittenhouse Square conference room for the meeting. The group enjoyed a brief update on what’s happening in Philadelphia from Councilman Allan Domb.

The SARA’s Design Award program has been kicked off and entries are starting to come in as we look forward to the Celebration Event November 1st in Chicago at Venue Six10—enter your projects online at www.sara-national.org. The National Conference schedule of CEU seminars, tours and Celebrations were discussed – watch for the schedule of events and registration and hotel forms to be posted on SARA’s website soon. Plan now to attend and stay at the Chicago Athletic Association Hotel for the Conference, October 29th – November 3rd. You won’t want to miss this one!
CTA Architects’ Associate Asaf Yogev, AIA, SARA
Elected President of the Society of American Registered Architects’ New York Council

Vows to expand the valuable services the organization provides to architects and students

New York, NY – Architect Asaf Yogev, AIA, ARA, an Associate with New York City-based CTA Architects, P.C. (CTA), has been elected president of the New York Council of the Society of American Registered Architects (SARA).

SARA, founded in 1956, is a think tank and professional association of architects that provides its members with professional development and educational opportunities, fellowships, information on the industry’s best practices and technical innovations, and peer-to-peer networking. SARA caters to all who carry an architectural license, regardless of their role in the building and design industries. The organization enables its members to unite as a common voice to better the profession, to advance humankind and the sustainability of the environment, and to promote their core principle of “Architect Helping Architect.”

“The New York Council, with more than 200 members, is the largest and the most active of SARA regional groups. Both on the national level and in New York, our organization strongly encourages its members to support fellow members and to participate in its many events,” said Yogev. “My goals as the new chapter president include growing the Young SARA ARE Study Group, which assists aspiring architects preparing to obtain licensure with mentoring and educational programs,” he added.

The new president emphasized SARA’s collegial, almost family-like nature, explaining by way of anecdote how the camaraderie plays out. “We’ve had examples where people meet at one of our events. Maybe one is from a large firm and the other is from a very small operation just beginning their work, and a true connection is made. Later on, frequently the large firm can’t take on a certain project, and they refer the client to the architect from the smaller firm. We are an incredible resource to each other,” Yogev explained.

As president, he hopes to expand the services SARA NY currently provides to its members, bolstering the number of free events as well as orchestrating additional offerings that provide CEU credits. The organization’s open-house tours have been particularly popular among the members. For example, early this year, SARA NY, together with construction manager Foundations Group, arranged tours of Tadeo Ando’s residential project at 152 Elizabeth Street in New York City. “It’s always so exciting to visit someone’s project,” Yogev said. The first two tours’ slots were filled immediately, so SARA NY added two more. “There were still people we couldn’t accommodate!” he added. The New York Council also recently organized tours of 53W53, Jean Nouvel’s stunning residential skyscraper erected above The Museum of Modern Art, and of Diller Scofidio + Renfro’s 70-story 15 Hudson Yards condominium tower, both in Manhattan.

Yogev has spent his entire career with CTA, since joining as a student intern in 1998. He has honed his skills there over the past 21 years, particularly in the areas of design, adaptive reuse, and architectural rendering. He has been instrumental to the firm’s design aesthetic and played a critical role in the development of CTA’s overall design vision. Despite his long tenure there, he states, “It still excites me every day.” Yogev was promoted to Associate in 2007.

His recent projects include the rehabilitation of the Haven Plaza, a four-building, 371-unit, low-income housing complex on Manhattan’s Lower East Side. Work included interior and exterior upgrades, storm damage assessment and remediation after Superstorm Sandy, as well as site-wide storm resiliency upgrades. He also designed an Enterprise Green Communities-certified rehabilitation program at the
George Hardy & St. Francis Apartments multifamily building complex. Work included new roofs, windows, and masonry restoration on the exterior, refinished public spaces, and new kitchens and bathrooms in all 204 apartments. Yogev is currently working on the design of the new addition at Public School 206Q in Queens for the New York City School Construction Authority (SCA).

The architect's commitment to giving back does not end with his profession. Yogev is a founding member and on the board of directors of the Spring of Hope Schools in Cambodia. The organization's two schools are located in the country's largest community of Cham, Cambodia's ethnic Muslim minority. While about half of Cham children complete primary school, only 12% go on to secondary school. Begun in 2014, the schools now teach English and computer skills to over 300 students. In 2015, the Spring of Hope School provided its first full-tuition scholarships to two graduates of the program going on to university in Phnom Penh – an almost unheard-of feat for Cham children, where less than 1% ordinarily go on to higher education.

Asaf is also involved with Friends Without a Border, a non-profit that promotes sustainable healthcare solutions in developing countries by providing high-quality medical care to children in compassionate environments, offering continuing education to Southeast Asia's healthcare professionals, and improving the health, nutrition, and hygiene of local communities through outreach programs and homecare. About a year ago, Yogev visited Lao Friends Hospital for Children in Laos, which now provides free medical care to more than 20,000 children each year. He has also visited Angkor Hospital for Children in Cambodia. A nonprofit pediatric teaching hospital that similarly provides free, high-quality, compassionate health care to children in Siem Reap, Cambodia. Yogev and his husband are on Friends Without a Border's 17th Annual New York Gala committee.

Additionally, since 1999, Yogev has been a cyclist and supporting crew member for a charity bike ride that raises money to provide services to those with AIDS and HIV.

Yogev grew up in Israel, moving to the U.S. for college in 1995. He first attended Santa Monica College, then Brooklyn's Pratt Institute, where he completed his B.Arch.

More About SARA

SARA National and NY membership services include seminars, professional and student design competitions, a professional referral service, as well as programs aiming at strengthening and protecting the interests of practicing architects. Members benefit from the organization in multiple ways, from professional recognition among peers to design expertise referral, personal involvement at all levels within the Society, individual achievement recognition, and SARA's College of Fellows.

The large number of events SARA NY offers includes open-house programs where members from a particular firm open up their offices to fellow members to share their current work, sometimes accompanied by CEU credit due the addition of a manufacturer presentation. SARA maintains relationships with numerous manufacturers and vendors who provide such information and factory tours.

SARA NY's design awards program is very popular among New York's design professionals, garnering on average more than 200 submissions from both members and non-members. CTA's recent restoration project, 54 Bond Street, won one of these awards as well as a national SARA award. The six-story structure is on the National Register of Historic Places.

The Young SARA ARE Study Group was formed in 2017 as a way to both encourage and assist young, aspiring architects to obtain licensure. The group of associate members – members who are not yet Registered Architects – meets once a month to see presentations given by fellow Study Group members as well as guest speakers. Over the past two years, presentations have been given to the group by NCARB representatives, New York City-area college professors, and newly licensed architects. The study group sessions are always free for SARA members, with a $25 charge for non-members.

CTA Architects

Established in 1987, CTA Architects is a prominent architectural design firm based in New York City. Three principals lead the 50-person firm: Craig Tooman, AIA, LEED AP; Daniel J. Allen, AIA; and Christa E. Waring, AIA, LEED AP.

CTA's design focus and experience span new design, historic preservation, and restoration work in the civic, multi-family residential, commercial, institutional, educational, and public markets. The firm holds term contracts with the New York City School Construction Authority (SCA), the New York State Office of General Services (OGS), the New York City Department of Design and Construction (DDC), and the City University of New York (CUNY).

CTA's recent projects in New York City include nine Universal Pre-Kindergartens and one 3K school for the NYC SCA; design work the Coney Island Prep, Harlem Village Academy, and Growing Up Green School; the historic landmark restorations of the 36 Gramercy Park East façade and the City Cinemas Village East Theater; exterior renovations to the Fifth Avenue Armory; the rehabilitations of the Grand Street Guild, Haven Plaza, and George Hardy and St. Francis apartment complexes totaling 1,175 units for the Archdiocese of New York; and the exterior renovation (Continued on page 10)
of the six-building Morningside Gardens co-op campus. The studio’s new design work also includes SARA NY Design Award winner 17 Pitt Street and the Lower Eastside Girls Club.

The firm’s projects also include the exterior renovations to the New York State Legislature Building in Albany, New York as well as an adaptive re-use of the historic Arcade Hotel in Bridgeport, CT’s Downtown South Historic District.

CTA’s work has been widely recognized through regional and national awards, including the Exterior Preservation Award from Landmark West!, Residential Architect Design Award of Merit, The Society of American Registered Architects National and New York Chapters’ Design Awards, several Lucy G. Moses preservation awards from the New York Landmarks Conservancy, and the Victorian Society of America Metropolitan Chapter Preservation Awards.

Photo courtesy of CTA Architects
2019 NATIONAL DESIGN AWARDS

THE 2019 SARAS HAVE ARRIVED.

IT’S TIME TO ROUND UP YOUR MOST EXCITING, MOST INSPIRED & MOST INNOVATIVE PROJECTS OF THE YEAR AND SUBMIT THEM TO THE SARAS FOR A CHANCE TO GET RECOGNIZED & CELEBRATE YOUR AWARD-WINNING WORK!

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Firm Profile

Alan M Friedman

Friedman Associates II LLC was established in 1985 by Principal Alan M Friedman

The Firm's main office is located at 36 Broadway Dobbs Ferry NY, 10522

Difficult complex challenges seem to dominate Alan's client list. He strives for Making a no into a yes. Most of his work is commercial with some residential, some of course deals with Asbestos and some is environmental consulting work.

The firm currently has one employee and Alan has been a members of SARA for one month.

Last year the Firm completed ten sign off one TCO, all of which were commercial projects. Commercial projects make up the majority of the firm's work.

When established the firm mainly worked on Boilers & emergency generators and new buildings, major gut renovations and Asbestos Investigation (ACPS)

Alan Friedman is known for fast courteous service with expected results. They have a good track record of filing and getting an approval in 2 ½ months for a new buildings in the Bronx, to getting a TCO 10 months after getting an allt approved for a 28,000 sq ft addition to St Raymond's High School for Boys. He is also noted for bringing back to life St Brigid's Church in Manhattan from the wrecking ball, turning on the gas at Yankee Stadium, filing the 10 demo applications at the Waterside Generating facility for Consolidated Edison in Manhattan, getting the first changeable copy accessory business sign for ABC at Lincoln Center circa 1990's and getting multiple CO's with open applications in the 1990's at Woodlawn Cemetery. Friedman Associates is known for Basically taking a NO and making it a Yes, square peg round hole.

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Cloud Gate

Affectionately called, “The Bean” and what has become synonymous with the Chicago experience is Anish Kapoor’s Cloud Gate.

Cloud Gate was created by using computer technology to cut 168 massive stainless-steel plates into precise shapes which were then pieced together like a puzzle and welded shut. Once fully assembled, the 12-foot-high central arch provided a “gate” to the concave chamber on the underside of the sculpture prompting Kapoor to formally name the piece Cloud Gate. A network of two large internal rings connects a truss that allowed the sculpture to be assembled and direct the weight to two points at the base. The stainless-steel skin was attached to the internal structure with flexible connectors that allow it to expand and contract in response to the extreme weather conditions in Chicago. The cost of Cloud Gate was completely underwritten by the Millennium Park Foundation using funds from private donors.

Inspired by liquid mercury, it is one of the world’s largest permanent outdoor art installations. Its stainless-steel surface highly reflects the activity and lights of the park and surrounding city skyline, inviting visitors to touch and interact with its mirror-like surface and see their image reflected from a variety of perspectives.

millenniumparkfoundation.org/art-architecture/cloud-gate/
Chapter 17 of the International Building Code requires “special inspections” for specific materials and conditions. But what are these inspections? Aren’t they part of the routine code official field inspection? Can they be performed by the building inspector? Here are the twelve primary “special inspections” required by the code. How many are you qualified to perform?

- The Required Inspections (Section) - Prefabricated items (1704.2.5), steel construction (1705.2), concrete (1705.3), masonry (1705.4), wood constructions (1705.5), prepared fill and foundations (1705.6-1705.9), sprayed fire-resistant materials and coatings (1705.13, 1705.14), EIFS (1705.15), fire-resistant penetrations and joints (1705.16), smoke control systems (1705.17), wind requirements (1705.1704.3.3, 1705.10) and seismic resistance (1705.3.2, 1705.11, 1705.12).

- The Process - The intent is for approval of materials or construction methods that are either equivalency or require detailed inspection due to their level of difficulty. For example, a need for a specific fire-rated wall assembly that is not listed. You could use “Prescriptive Methods” in Chapter 7 of the IBC, but the burden of compliance would be with the design professional and pass a special inspection based on testing or other equivalents.

- The Certification - Persons or agencies providing these services must show qualifications, such as an engineer, architect or be certified through such organizations as IAS (International Accreditation Service). IAS is part of ICC and has training and testing to certify competency in one of the special inspection fields. Some architects and engineers have become certified to add another product to their services.

- The Code Official - The burden of proof is on the permit applicant to demonstrate that the project complies if special inspections are required. It is at their expense, not the building department. Should the code official conduct special inspections? The code does not prohibit it, but it leaves the municipality with more liability than it should accept.

SARA members can call Kelly P. Reynolds at 1-800-950-2633 for answers to their code questions at no charge.
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