

UPDATE - for 2005 School Year

Newsletter of the Landscape Architecture Program at Oklahoma State University.

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Distinguished Service Awards 2005

Steve Ownby, FASLA of Branson, MO received the 2005 Distinguished Landscape Architecture Alumnus Award and James Gray, FASLA of San Antonio received the Distinguished Landscape Architecture Service Award for Landscape Architecture Program. Steve Ownby, a Fellow in the American Society of Landscape Architects, is a former OSU faculty member and was responsible for developing the four year Landscape Design curriculum as an Option in Horticulture and later spearheaded the effort get the curriculum upgraded and accredited as a Bachelor of Landscape Architecture degree in 1982. After 15 years, Steve left the program to create a private practice in Landscape Architecture in Springfield and Branson, MO.

James Gray has been a member, officer, and committee chair for the Landscape Architecture Professional Advisory Council for over ten years. He has also participated in the program as a guest lecturer, juror, given a charette problem to the design classes, and arranged field trips in San Antonio. James is one of the longest serving members of the Landscape Architecture Professional Advisory Council where he has served as Chair, Vice Chair, and headed a number of key committees. He is most remembered for serving on the final Design VI juries, conducting portfolio reviews of graduating students and serving as speaker/ juror for numerous classes. James is a Fellow in the American Society of Landscape Architects and the owner of Rialto Studios in San Antonio, TX.

Christopher Tunnard Award Presented

The OSU Alpha Delta Chapter of Sigma Lambda Alpha, a North American Landscape Architecture Honorary Society, received word their nominee, Christopher Tunnard, was selected for the Distinguished Member Award. Tunnard became one of the early leaders of the Modern Movement in the 1930s while practicing in the United Kingdom after winning a prize in Paris for creating a design for the setting of a modern house, and writing the book, *Gardens In the Modern Landscape*. He accepted a teaching position at Harvard in the late 1930s and taught there until the outbreak of the Second World War when he returned to his native Canada to enlist in the Army. Some of his students at Harvard were: Garrett Eckbo, Dan Kiley, John Simonds, James Rose and Lawrence Halprin. After World War II he joined the Yale University School of Art and Architecture and formed and directed the City Planning Program. While at Yale he won the New York Times Award for his book, *Man Made America: Chaos or Control*. His other books include: *City of Man*, *American Skyline*, and his last book was *World with a View*. The OSU ASLA Chapter has made arrangements to present the award to his son, Christopher Tunnard II during Design Days on April 1, 2005 at a luncheon on the OSU campus.

National Award Winners

Two OSU students competed against the candidates from over 50 other LA programs with Sigma Lambda Alpha Landscape Architecture Honorary Society chapters.. Mike Albert won the **only** \$1,000 scholarship and Derek McCall won one of

the \$500 travel grants. It is the first time OSU students have won awards in this competition.

Design Days

During the spring 2005 Design Days the OSU Landscape Architecture Professional Advisory Council offered, portfolio review of students graduating, juried the final Design VI capstone course, and gave charette problems. On Thursday afternoon and Friday morning the 5th year students presented their resumes and portfolios to the LA/PAC. On Thursday evening the Design VI class presented their final capstone master plan project to the LA/PAC. A business meeting of the LA/PAC was held on Friday afternoon. Also on Friday afternoon from 1:30-5 PM all students in the design sequence participated in a studio design charette presented by James Gray, FASLA of San Antonio. The charette was followed by a critique of the project by the LA/PAC members and OSU faculty.

Major Speaker S-05

Christopher (Rusty) Tunnard II received the award honoring his father and shared with the group his experience in growing up with his famous landscape architect/planner father at Yale University. Rusty also participated in the review of the portfolios and resumes of the 5th year class. Rusty is currently teaching at the Tufts University School of Business in Boston.

LA/PAC Activities

The Landscape Architecture Professional Advisory Council (LA/PAC) is following up on several of the recommendations made during the "Visioning Session" to further develop the LA program. Dean Chambers Fund Raising Committee and Victor Baxter is chairing the Course Improvement Survey. These committee reports will be discussed at the fall meeting. Victor Baxter is scheduled to give a charette problem during the fall semester 2004 meeting. The LA/PAC members will participate in a critique of the project.

LA Program Faculty Members

Visiting Faculty

Warren Edwards is serving as a Visiting Instructor for Design I & II, and LA 4034 Planting Design.

- John Hartley, Visiting Instructor
 - Environmental Planning
 - class offered on Tuesday and Thursday evenings: 6:30 - 9:20 PM
 - all 4th & 5th year LA students should be enrolled in this course as it is only offered every other year.
 - the class will meet in 201 AGH
- Al Tongco Visiting Lab Instructor
 - Construction I
 - GIS
- Dwayne Wilkerson, ASLA Visiting Lab Instructor

- Construction III

Support Faculty

Susan Bobo, Assistant Professor
Branch Librarian in Architecture Bldg.

Permanent Faculty

The full time faculty members in the Program are: Dr. Charles Leider, Professor and Program Director; Paul Hsu, Associate Professor; John Ritter, Associate Professor; and Michael Holmes, Assistant Professor.

Faculty Activities and Awards

Prof. Paul Hsu visited Thailand in July to identify a village for a water distribution system in connection with the local Rotary Club and a club in Thailand.

The American Society of Landscape Architects has reappointed Dr. Charles Leider as ASLA's representative to the Board of Directors of U.S. International Committee on Monuments and Sites, (US/ICOMOS). US/ICOMOS is part of United Nation's UNESCO's international organization for over 50 countries world wide. Dr. Leider was also reelected chairman of the US/ICOMOS's Scientific Committee on Historic Gardens and Cultural Landscapes.

Dr. Charles Leider presented a paper on **Stimulating Local Economies through Tourism to Historic Landscapes** at the Annual Conference of the International Federation of Landscape Architects (IFLA) at Heriott Wyatt University in Edinburgh, Scotland in June 2005. Following the conference he studied the built works of the English landscapes style of the Romantic Period between 1700-1850 update his history and theory courses by visiting such sites as: Stowe, Stourhead, Castle Howard, Chatsworth, Blenheim, and others .

Merit Award Winners Selected

The OK/ASLA Chapter Merit Awards Committee meets on the OSU campus in the Spring during Design Days of each year to receive presentations from students selected by the OSU faculty for merit awards and honors designation. The following students for the 4th and 5th year received ASLA Merit Awards in 2005:

The Committee selected Mike Albert and Amy Catlin for Honors designation. Gretchen Benbenik an Derek McCall were designated Merit Award winners.

Sigma Lambda Alpha Honorary Society

The Chapter undertook two service projects. In 2003 the pledges were required to paint design slogans in the studios and label the walls and in 2004 the pledges painted the wall of the 4th year discussion room in Dairy building which now houses the 4th and 5th year students in the upper division of the Landscape Architecture Program. The Chapter also sold Landscape Architecture rear window stickers. The following new members were inducted into Sigma Lambda Alpha:

2005 - Mike Albert, Andrew Garrels, Crystal Powers, Leah Dillsaver, and Derek McCall.

Acknowledgements

Thank you to Sigma Lambda Alpha for:

- Hosting the Professional Advisory Council during the Fall semester
- Hosting the Design Days lunch and the Christopher Tunnard Award ceremony
- Undertaking a public service project to upgrade and replant the landscape at the Mission of Hope (homeless shelter in Stillwater)

Internships

Twelve Landscape Architecture students participated in internships this past summer in Florida, North Carolina, Pennsylvania, Texas, Oklahoma.

After doing a summer internship with the EDSA office in Ft. Lauderdale, Derek McCall is continuing his internship with their office in Beijing, China.

Great News!

Sketch Up computer graphic software is available this Fall

A new course, taught under LA 4990, Special Topics, was offered this Fall embodying Aerial Photography, Remote Sensing, Infra Red Photography with GIS-Arc/Info-ERDAS instruction with Mark Gregory and Al Tongco

Landscape Architect Visitors – Dr. Leider

HNTB will make presentation on the practice of their offices in Dallas & Austin 3:30 pm in 101 AGH, Thursday, October 27

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Carl Rodrigue and others from HNTB Austin and Dallas offices:

- will conduct a design charette problem with the 3rd & 4th year design students on Friday, October 28 1:30-4:30
- problem critique by the LA/PAC members 4:30-6 pm

LA/PAC Members

- will review draft resumes & preliminary portfolios or mock-up of content with 5th year students on Oct. 28, 1:30-3:20 pm
- after their portfolio content reviews the 5th year students will join the charette to offer their design suggestions and participate in the critique 3:20 to 6 pm

Mesa Design Group - Dallas

- will furnish project #3 for Design III
- will participate in problem
- will critique problem

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Student Design Competition Entries for 2004-05

ASLA – Mike Albert

IFLA – Amy Catlin
CLARB – Rebecca Bailey

Peruvian Studio Exchange Program

Dr. Leider and Professor Michael Holmes led the OSU students to Peru for a three week Studio Exchange Program with Universidad Peruana de Ciencias Aplicadas (UPC) Architecture Program in Lima May 2005. Dr. Leider arranged for the Landscape Architecture students and faculty from Landscape Architecture Program of Universidad Nacional Autonoma de Mexico (UNAM) in Mexico City to join the group in Lima to study with the OSU and UPC Architecture students. He had previous met the UNAM faculty and students through the LSU Luis Barragan Studio in Mexico City during summer of 2003. All the students in the program participated in a field trip to Pre-Columbian archeological sites in northern Peru, and course work which included outdoor sketching, earthen architecture, studio project, and tour of built works in Lima, Cusco, and Machu Picchu.

In February 2006 the UPC and UNAM students and faculty plan to come to the OSU to work with the 4th year LA students on month long studio exchange projects followed by a return visit to Peru in May 2006.

Japanese Urban Landscape Design Study Abroad Program

The LA program conducted a three week study abroad program of Japanese historic and urban landscapes in May 2005. The study program involved the viewing of built landscapes in the Kyoto and Kameoka region in Japan for two weeks and one week in Thailand. A one day charette problem was given at the Landscape Architecture program at the Kyoto College of Art and Design and the Maejo University in Chiang Mai in central Thailand. The program is designed to improve the sketching ability of beginning design students. Prof. Paul Hsu led the OSU group.

Seminar II Field Trips 2005

The fifth year students in Seminar II went on a field trip with Dr. Leider and Professor Ritter to view built works and tour professional offices on New York City. Brian Haynes, an OSU LA graduate, who works for the Lurie Olin office of Philadelphia led the Seminar II field trip to view built works and tour professional offices on Manhattan island in April 2005.

Alumni Assist in Seminar I Field Trips

OSU alumni assisted in organizing and showing their offices and built works to students in the Seminar I class who are just beginning their study of design and are currently enrolled in Design I. Field trips for the Fall 2004 semester were to:

1. **Oklahoma City**, September 16. Host Tour Leader: Scott Coplin assisted by Jeff Hudson of Sherwood Gardens, and the office of Howard –Fairbairn Site Design.
2. **Tulsa**, September 30. Host Tour Leader: Geoff Evans of Howell & Van Curren, and the office of Land Plan, and other local landscape architects
3. **Wichita**, October 21. Host Tour Leader: Kurt Skinner, ASLA Law Kingdon and other local landscape architects.

ALCA Field Days

Several LA students along with a group of Landscape Contracting students attended ALCA Field Career Days in March.

Alumni Gathering in Salt Lake City and Ft. Lauderdale

The LA program hosted an alumni reception with the Oklahoma Chapter at the ASLA Annual Meeting in Salt Lake City last Fall and plans to jointly sponsor another reception at Ft Lauderdale on Friday, October 7. All alumni at the Annual Meeting are encouraged to attend the gathering.

Program Speakers Fall Semester 2005

The lectures are on Thursdays, 3:30-4:30 PM in 101 Ag Hall. These are open lectures to all alumni and any interested person. The lectures are as follows:

3:30-4:45 PM

Thursday Afternoon

101 AGH

Date	Speaker	Subject
Sept. 1	Kristy Pope Satterlee Oklahoma City	Satterlee Nursery Nursery and Landscape Design
Sept. 8	David Brown & Billy Krause Amarillo, TX	Krause Landscape Contractors
Sept. 15	Tim Schale Ft. Smith, AK	Landscape Alliance, Inc. Design Built Company
Sept. 22	David Land, CIP, CIC Tulsa, OK	Tulsa Landscape, Inc. Landscape Contractors
Sept. 29	Brad Lenahan San Diego, CA	Nowell Associates Landscape Architecture Office
Oct. 6	George Stanziale & Dan Weeks Durham, Charlotte, Wilmington, NC	Haden-Stanziale Landscape Architecture Office
Oct. 13	Tim Herndon Lawrence, KS	Land Plan Engineering Civil Engineering and Landscape Architecture Office
Oct. 20	Tom Montgomery, ASLA, RLA	Gossen Livingston

	Wichita, KS	Architecture and Landscape Architecture Office
Oct. 27	Carl Rodigue Austin & Dallas, TX	HNTB Multi-Disciplinary Office
Nov. 3	Seminar I Student Reports	Modern Period Landscape Architects
		First Generation
	Sir Geoffrey Jellicoe, Practitioner	Leach
	Thomas Church, Practitioner	Bowling
	Luis Barragan, Practitioner	Herrera
	Christopher Tunnard, Educator	Slifer
	Dan Kiley, Practitioner	Byrd
	Garrett Eckbo, FASLA, Practitioner	Hilt
	Richardo Legorreta, Architect	TBA
	John Simonds, FASLA, Practitioner	Janda
Nov. 5	Collegiate Section of the Oklahoma Academy of Science at its Annual Meeting at NSU in Bethany, 8 – 11 am	
Nov. 10	Seminar I Student Reports	Modern Period Landscape Architects
		Second Generation
	Carl Johnson, FASLA	Waugh
	Isamu Noguchi	Forslund
	Lawrence Halprin, FASLA	Miller
	Hideo Sasaki, FASLA	Moore
	Ian McHarg, FASLA	O’Meilia
	John Lyle, FASLA	Wetmore
	Wolfgang Oehme, FASLA	Webb
	Grant Jones, FASLA	Rapp
Nov. 17 Th	Seminar I Student Reports	Contemporary Landscape Architects
		Third or Current Generation
	Giles Clement	TBA
	Alain Provost	TBA
	Irvin Zube, FASLA	TBA
	Peter Walker, FASLA	Strodtman
	Martha Schwartz	Russell
	Michael Van Valkenburg, FASLA	Milburn
	Laurie Olin, FASLA	Adams
	George Hargreaves, FASLA	Applegate
	Jose Rafael Moneo, Architect	Colmenares
	Frank Gehry, Architect	Callahan
	Diana Balmori	Thompson
Nov. 22 Tu	Summer Internships Reports	Beam

		Boydstun Campbell Lanier
Nov. 24 Th.	Happy Thanksgiving!!!	
Nov. 29 Tu	Summer Internships Reports	Leach Mejia Pham Wright
Dec. 1 Th	Summer Internship Reports	Dillsaver Poor Wilson Hilson
Dec. 6 Tu.	Study Abroad Program to Japan Summer Internship Report Contemporary European Landscape Architects	TBA Izzwan Kunvoca
Dec. 8 Th.	Study Abroad Program to Peru A Summer with Sasaki Associates	Gordon Lavery Wells Albert

Landscape Architecture Homecoming Alumni-Student Party
after the Walk Around Friday evening, October 28
8 pm at Addy Wright's place Apt. 3, 1304 W. 4th Avenue (corner 4th& Garfield, pass
the Kappa house).

To let us know if you are coming call or email Addy Wright by
Friday, October 21:

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