greetings from the department of interior architecture
the university of north carolina at greensboro

with a new year comes a renewed focus in applying creativity to the opportunities and challenges that surround us as designers...

making the most...

...of the lessons we have learned...

The unveiling of the urban studio project, my sisters' house, will take place on Monday, February 15th from 3:00 - 6:00pm. This design-build effort culminates in a 4500 sq. ft. home for five young mothers and their children and represents a true community effort from UNCG students, the carpentry program at the Guilford Technical Community College, Youth Focus of High Point, the City of Greensboro's Department of Housing and Community Development, and the North Carolina Housing Finance Agency.

...of our role as conscientious designers...
In the wake of the devastating earthquake that recently hit Haiti, we cannot help but think how fortunate we are to have shelter that offers protection from outside elements and, equally important, affords us with a sense of security. In their first project, this group of second year students examined ways in which they could provide peace of mind within a public space using only found objects, thereby exploring how interiors shape experience. Working in teams, the students created shelters for snacking, sleeping, sketching, socializing, and studying using a limited number of found materials. Read and see more here!

...of our resources...
Adrian Boggs (MS '09) has two pieces of his furniture on display at the Center for Visual Arts in downtown Greensboro until February 19. Adrian focuses on sustainability in his furniture designs, and the bench and table currently on display were made from furniture industry waste. He now plans to continue applying sustainability to furniture design in his new business through designing, building, and installing custom interior products made from waste or virgin materials. Read more about Adrian's work here and here.

...of our talents...

Anna Marshall-Baker is serving as an external reviewer of Florida State University's Interior Design Program.

Museum studies graduate student Kathryn Sikes received a Lesley van der Lee Scholarship to attend the 25th Annual Conference of the Small Museum Association on February 21-23, 2010 in Ocean City, Maryland.

Amanda Whittemore (BS '06) successfully passed the NCIDQ exam.

Suzanne Cabrera and Patrick Lee Lucas presented on Building Social Capital Among Designers at the Arts + Design for Social Justice Conference in Tallahassee on Martin Luther King Day.

how are you making the most?...we would love to hear from you!

our reunion is just weeks away...expect to receive an invitation in your email box soon!

And, as always, stay informed on all of the exciting IARc happenings through the [i]blog!

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