Greetings from the Department of Interior Architecture
The University of North Carolina at Greensboro

Connecting with Community Near and Far...

This semester, IARc students, faculty, and alums make connections with communities close to home and around the world...

Reaching Across the Globe...

Hannah Rose Mendoza’s 4th year studio continues to raise money to build a primary school in Ghana. They are hosting a Gala and silent auction on December 4 to continue their fundraising. If you would like to support this cause by attending the Gala, contact Hannah at hrmendoz@uncg.edu and click here for more information. Read more about their studio here and here.

Greening the UNCG Community...

Students in Anna Marshall-Baker’s course, Social and Behavioral Aspects of Interior Architecture, designed the layout for the new UNCG Garden as well as the raised beds, storage benches, work tables that also hold wheelbarrows, arbor, and fence. The UNCG Garden at 123 McIver Street includes 18 raised beds, each 4’x8’ and framed with boards salvaged from an old barn. Read more.
inspiring a local medical facility...

Tina Sarawgi's 3rd year design studio met with the Child and Adolescent Unit management team at the Central Regional Hospital, Butner, NC, at the beginning of the semester to understand their needs in redesigning the dayroom, patient rooms, activity rooms, family room and hallways in the Unit. The hospital desires to create an engaging, attractive, and functional child-friendly environment. The management team offered design feedback as the students worked on the project throughout the semester.

On November 19, 2010, the students presented their design proposals at the Central Regional Hospital. The hospital's director, Mr. Mike Hennike, Dr. Stephen Oxley, Chief Medical Officer and other medical staff reviewed the students' work. Mr. Hennike congratulated the students on their work and asked Dr. Jane Stevens to review funding opportunities so that they may pursue bringing some of the ideas generated by the students to reality! Stay tuned for Phase II of this project.

The studio will present this project along with design of a mixed-use space for the historic Parrish Street in Durham on Monday, December 6 in the Gatewood Building.

linking with a local library...

Travis Hicks' 4th year studio has been working with the Greensboro Public Library to study the Vance Chavis Lifelong Learning Branch Library. This community-engaged studio has met with library staff, community leaders, and current library patrons of multiple generations in order to arrive at a vision for library expansion. The studio's final group project represents a new site, building, and interior design for the historically-
significant library. The final review will be Monday, Dec. 6, 9am-Noon in the 4th floor Crit Room. Read more.

individuals impacting communities...

Anna Marshall-Baker was recognized by DesignIntelligence as one of the top 25 Most Admired Educators. "The 2011 class of education role models was selected by DesignIntelligence staff with extensive input from hundreds of design professionals, academic department heads, and students" (from http://www.di.net/articles/archive/3478/).

Jo Leimenstoll won the 2010 Old North State Ragan non-fiction award for her book, Thomas Day: Master Craftsman and Free Man of Color.

At the IDEC Conference in High Point, Travis Hicks won the "Best Poster" award and the "Best Teaching Forum/Round Table" award. Read more.

Jonathon Anderson received 2 honorable mentions for designs he submitted to the eVolo 2010 International Skyscraper competition and the AIA Austin Temporary Outdoor Gallery Space (TOGs) International Competition. Read more.

Stephanie Brooker, Laura Snoderly, and Anna Marshall-Baker received a community research grant from the Office of Leadership and Service-Learning.

Hannah Mendoza presented a conference paper in Madrid, Spain.

Jill Hauck Spaeh (BS 87) of Spaeh Architecture+Environments recently won the AIA Piedmont "Designs for our Community " award for "The Most Beautiful " project for All Saints Episcopal Church, which also received the “Triad Green Award" in December. See photos.

Lauren Shepulski and Claire Keane received funding from the MSHP Graduate Student Group to attend the National Trust Conference in Austin, TX at the end of October. Read more.

Angela Edwards (BS 09) began a new job as the Visual Merchandiser for Forever 21 in Raleigh, NC.

Gwen McKinnney (MS 09) recently got a job at Command Technology, Inc.

join our community...

The Department of Interior Architecture is looking for a digital director. The position announcement is posted here:


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