

Half Year Edition

American Institute of Architects Japan

August, 2022

AIAJ Started Offering Hybrid Lectures



Joint Lecture with I-AUD in a hybrid format at Meiji University Nakano Campus

by AIAJ CES Committee

The lecture on May 27 was held in a hybrid format combining face-to-face and online sessions at Meiji University's Nakano Campus, and we were able to enjoy the atmosphere of a lecture with an audience at the venue for the first time in a while.

President's Message

by Tomoaki Tanaka, AIA



The first half of the year 2022 has come to an end. We have only five months left to go. Looking back at our activities to date, the CES Lectures have been held five times with a wide variety of speakers, beginning with the first one in March. Particularly, the two lectures were held in May in collaboration with Meiji University I-AUD program. The lecture on May 27 was held in a hybrid format combining face-to-face and online sessions at Meiji University's Nakano Campus, and we were able to enjoy the atmosphere of a lecture with an audience at the venue for the first time in a while.

Although the COVID-19 is now spreading again in Japan, several in-person events were held in May and June, when the situation had relatively subsided.

After the lecture, AIAJ hosted a reception nearby and we were able to deepen exchanges with the members who came to the event.



Reception after the lecture on May 27

In addition to the lecture with a reception reported above, we had a gallery visit event on June 4. The Event Committee organized a visit to the GA gallery with a special guided tour with the exhibitors. AIA Japan President Club Meeting 2022 was held face to face in Kashiwaya on May 15 after it was once held online in February.



AIA Japan President Club meeting at Kashiwaya

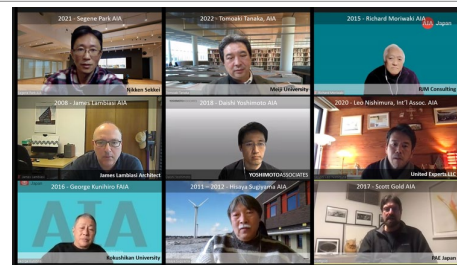
From bottom-left to upward-right—
2022 Tomoaki Tanaka, 2021 Segene Park, 2020 Leo Nishimura, 2019 Akira Nakamura, 2018 Daishi Yoshimoto, 2017 Scott Gold, 2015 Richard Moriwaki, and 2014 Yasuyuki Sakurai

It was a fruitful event to exchange ideas with past presidents in the venue near Tama River waterfront. At the same time, we continued to provide online events. AIAJ contributed to host a lecture as a part of AIAISC'22 and the EP/AXP Committee provided a seminar with NCARB. Through these various lectures and events, we could provide diverse opportunities for our members.



Kashiwaya on the Kutsukui Kado

A variety of fascinating lectures and events are being planned for the second half of 2022, from fall through the end of the year. Although it is not certain at this time whether some of these events can be conducted face-to-face as planned, we look forward to seeing many members and friends participating and interacting with each other.



Virtual President Club Meeting

A'22 Chicago

President Barack Obama appears at the AIA Conference on Architecture 2022

by *Greg Menti*



President Barack Obama Addresses A'22 Attendees in Chicago.

The 44th President of the United States Barack Obama headlined AIA's Conference on Architecture 2022 on Friday, June 24, in Chicago. He sat in conversation with AIA President Dan Hart, FAIA, where they discussed a wide variety of topics including his relationship to architecture, the issues facing the country, advice for architects and much more.

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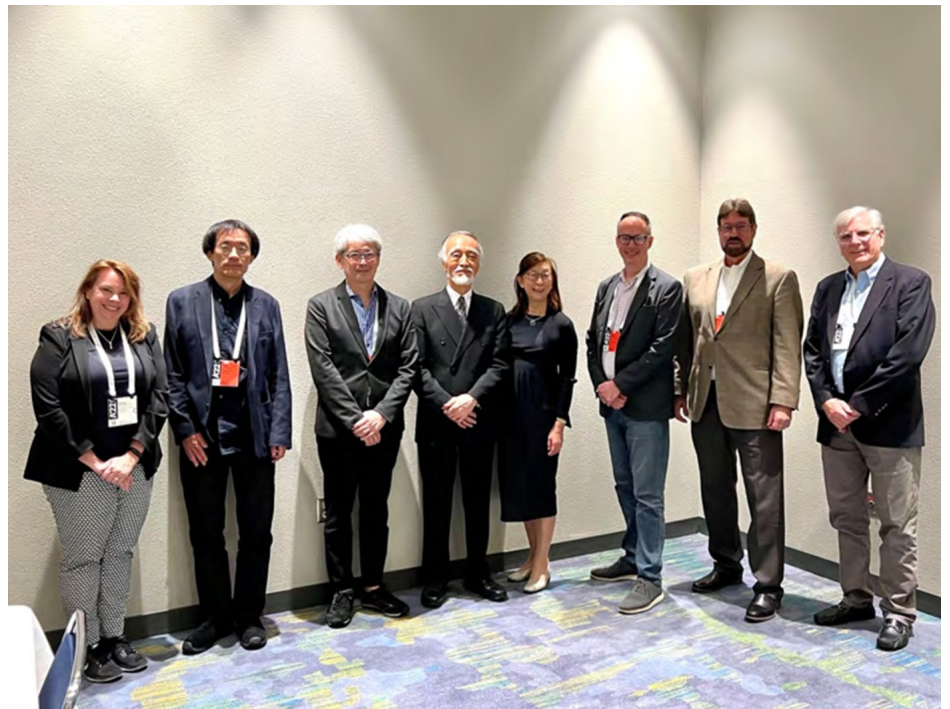
AIA-JIA Meeting at A'22 Chicago

by *Scott Gold, AIA on July 14*

AIA-JIA Meeting was held at A'22 Chicago on June 23, 2022. Scott Gold, AIA International President and AIA Japan Member attended the meeting on behalf of AIA Japan.

From left to right—

*Paula Seidel, AIA National Senior Director, Industry and International Relations
Yuji Iwashi, JIA international Relations Committee Member
Daiji Chikuba, JIA international Relations Committee Chair
Masaharu Rokushika, JIA President
Mrs. Rokushika, Photographer Kermit Baker, AIA Chief Economist / GABI
Scott Gold, 2022 - 2023 AIA International President
Mark Careaga, 2022 AIA Global Practice Committee Chair*



Mr. Rokushika focused on AIA's Strategic Plan and explained JIA's similar activities, including Climate Change, carbon reduction, EDI's, SDG's and also

showed JIA's 2019 book about SDGs (SDG Forum, SDG X4) and mentioned about UIA's 2023 Copenhagen Manifesto. He also spoke about Japan's Carbon Neutral 2050 policy and that JIA has contributed two members to be on the policy committee.

Representatives from both institutions exchanged ideas on their recent activities. JIA also invited the AIA National President to attend the JIA National Convention in Okinawa.



A'22 held in Chicago

AIAJ continues to provide programs for Emerging Professionals

by EP Committee

On the professional front, AIA Japan continues its cooperation with NCARB, with Patricia Ramallo and Harry Falconer—in an in-depth look at licensure options for those of us in Japan pursuing American jurisdictions—the past session was held in May and will return next year. AIA Japan is currently studying mentorship models in parallel with AIA International, to pair current members with other affiliated professionals in the area. While this program is in development, AIA International's latest session will host Yiselle Santos-Rivera on August 18; **please find more information [here](#)**. Finally, AIA Japan is hoping to expand with social, casual opportunities for AIA members and associates to meet in person in Tokyo, later this year. More updates to follow. **For questions relating to licensure and resources, please contact Balazs Bognar, AIA Japan EP Committee Chair / Director [here](#)**.

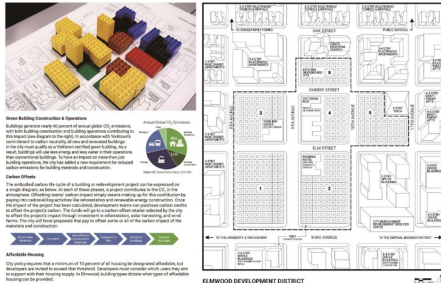


NCARB & AIA Japan Online EP Seminar

AIA Japan continues with its second year of its program for Emerging Professionals. While in the beginning stages, we are pleased to address both professional topics as well as social ones.

ULI UrbanPlan

by Executive Committee on June 20



UrbanPlan Workshop Material

ULI Japan and AIA Japan successfully conducted UrbanPlan workshops with ULI Japan, Hong Kong, Korea, Philippines and the United States on June 18 - 19. The students were from Meiji University, Waseda University, Nihon University, and Tsukuba University as well as KAIST from Korea.

From AIA Japan Tomoaki Tanaka, Tetsuya Yaguchi, and Segene Park participated. ULI Japan and AIA Japan plan to include more universities from APEC countries and continue to use the North American model.

For more information contact ULI Japan or AIA Japan.

Visit GA House Project 2022

by Event Committee on June 4

On June 4, members visited the famed GA Gallery for its annual exhibition of notable residential projects from around the world.



Project presentation

From left to right—
Nobuhiro Kitazawa and Kurumi Inaba

Nobuhiro Kitazawa, principal of the Office of Nobuhiro Kitazawa (OONK), and Kurumi Inaba, project architect from the Office of Ryue Nishizawa (OORN), gave AIA members an exclusive presentation of their projects and patiently answered our many questions about design process, construction methods, coping with rising building costs, etc.



Photo shoot with presenters in front of GA Gallery

From left to right—
Yumiko Yamada, Kurumi Inaba, Nobuhiro Kitazawa, Mike Wakefield, James Lambiasi, Segene Park, and Kei Kato

Our lively discussion with Kitazawa-san and Inaba-san continued at a nearby café until it was time for our guests to head back to work – but not before we promised to meet again when their projects complete. We are grateful to Kitazawa-san, Inaba-san, and our members who made this little event fun!

Looking forward, we will organize two more gallery visits this year. On September 3, Hirokazu Suemitsu from SUEP will give us a tour of his exhibition titled “Harvest in Architecture” at **TOTO Gallery Ma**. We also plan a trip back to GA Gallery to visit the **GA International Exhibition** where projects from SANAA, Kengo Kuma AA and others are on display. The date of this visit will be announced soon.

These small outings are great opportunities to meet AIA members, other architects, and to learn about local and international projects. If you have any questions, or would like to RSVP, **please mail us at mail@aiajapan.org**.

We hope to see you there!

AIA International Spring Conference

by *AIA International* on May 23



AIAISC 22 Poster

The 3-day virtual conference was successfully held from 5 continents. The audiences were from 150 countries.

This year AIA International hosted a Spring Conference with the International Union of Architects (UIA), Urban Land Institute Japan, ULI Hong Kong, ULI Asia Pacific, National Council of Architectural Registration Boards (NCARB), Saudi Green Building Forum (SGBF).

Conference sessions were hosted by the 7 International Chapters in Canada, Europe, Hong Kong, Japan, the Middle East, Shanghai, and the United Kingdom, as well as by Country Representatives around the world.

For watch the recorded session click [here](#).

AIA International Conference London

Sept 29 – Oct 2, 2022

by *AIA International* on May 23



Hawley Wharf by AHMM

Registration is open - Early Bird discounts have been extended till Friday 5 August, 23:59 UK time, so **book your place today!**

On behalf of AIA International, AIA UK and AIA Continental Europe are organizing a 3-day international conference in London. The conference will open with a tour of the Design Museum, followed by a reception at Japan House on Thursday, September 29th and will follow with 3 full days of talks and tours from Sept 30th to October 2, 2022.

Entitled 'Transformations' we will take a look at the changes that have happened in London since the conference in 2014. Each day of the conference will be held in a different location and will look at the transformation of old into new, through master plans, buildings, public space, the urban campus, historic buildings, sustainability, innovations in housing and explorations of color.

For more information click [here](#).

Members & Friends' Corner

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by SCHUCO on August

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ZAK World of Facades, The World's Premier Conference On Facade Design & Engineering, will be held in Tokyo for the very first time!

"Delegates who attend the entire program will earn 8 AIA LU/HSW CEUs. They will have to sign up at the conclusion with their current AIA membership number to receive the credits"

Program Synopsis

15-20 guest speakers will provide you with new knowledge and perspective on facade design and technologies. This is a great opportunity for architects to learn new products, technologies, trends, and meet people for networking.

As a main sponsor of the event, Schueco Japan will be inviting Oliver Hans, senior innovation manager at Schueco International, as a guest speaker.

This is an invite-only event! If you are interested, please make sure to register through the ZAK website.

Language

The official language of the event is Japanese. For English presentations, simultaneous translation will be provided on-site at the venue

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Please note that digital registration would **not guarantee your attendance**. As the capacity of the conference is limited by the venue due to the restrictions related to COVID-19, people who receive a confirmation email from ZAK can attend the event.

Click [here](#) for the registration.

Architect's Magazine

by PR Committee on May 11



Cover Page



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George Kunihiro FAIA (AIAJ 2016 President) was featured in the April 2022 issue of Architect's magazine. The magazine focuses on the career and life of renowned architects who lead architecture and design work in Japan.

Lifting the Spirit through Architecture Nikko Osaka

by PR Committee on June 4



James Lambiasi' New Episode on "NHK Worlds Series on Japanese Architecture".

James is one of the founding members of AIA Japan and served as its President in 2008. He has been featured on NHK as a navigator for 10 episodes of "NHK World's Series On Japanese Architecture".

Nippon Hoso Kyokai (NHK), Japan Broadcasting Corporation is Japan's only public broadcaster.

[Click here](#) to watch past episodes.

AIA Japan History

A Look Back at...



The 2008 Design Awards Reception

by *James Lambiasi, AIA Chapter Historian*

On November 15, 2008, AIA Japan invited the public to celebrate the presentation of the 2008 AIA Japan Design Awards, which was only the second award ceremony in AIA Japan's very short history.



Thank you dinner for our jurors..

From left to right—
Geeta Mehta, Yasuyuki Yanagisawa, Fumihiko Maki, Jun Mitsui, Jim Lambiasi, Martin van der Linden, Yoko Kinoshita, Naomi Pollock, and Nicolai Kruger



Yasuyuki Yanagisawa and his Taiko drumming club gets the festivities hopping!



2008 Vice President Geeta Mehta thanks the distinguished jurors for their generous service.

From left to right—
Geeta Mehta AIA, Yoko Kinoshita, Fumihiko Maki FAIA, and Naomi Pollack FAIA

The venue was Annex A in Hillside Terrace, and the awards were presented by a distinguished panel of jurors, Honorary AIA Member Mr. Fumihiko Maki, Architect Yoko Kinoshita, and Special International Correspondent to Architectural Record Magazine, Naomi Pollack.

Honor Awards and Awards of Merit were presented to selected AIA Japan Members, as well as to university architecture students who participated in a special student category. In the Professional Category, Atsushi Kitagawara of Atsushi Kitagawara Architects received the Honor Award for his project Nakamura Keith Haring Collection.

In addition to hearing a discussion panel of the distinguished jurist regarding the submitted projects, the reception was an opportunity to learn more about the American Institute of Architects and the activities

of our members in Japan, presented by AIA Japan 2008 President James Lambiasi. The university architecture students who were present at this event took advantage of this valuable opportunity to network and get information and about studying and working abroad. Honorary AIA Member and 2007 Design Award Juror Itsuko Hasegawa graciously provided a toast to the award recipients, and festivities started off with a big bang thanks to Yasu Yanagisawa and his Taiko drumming club!

AIA Japan Corner

AIA Film Challenge 2022

by *AIA National*



Share your story, win up to 71!

AIA Film Challenge 2022 invites you to share stories of architects working with civic leaders to design sustainable and/or equitable communities.

This year, we're asking for 1:30- to 3-minute short documentary films that you can produce on any device—including smartphones, tablets, and GoPros—for a chance to win up to \$7,000. Winners will also receive exposure on AIA's online channels, as well as via partner film and architecture organizations. Check out our example video below and get inspired!

Key Dates

- 08/22: Registration deadline
- 08/26: Submission deadline
- 09/09–10/14: Public voting
- October: Winners announced

For more information click [here](#).

The 2022 AIA International Design Awards

Deadline Extension!

by *AIA International Design Awards Committee*

Submit by Friday 19 August 2022, 5pm EST



The Categories

- Architecture
- Interior Architecture
- Unbuilt Projects
- Urban Design
- Open International
- Firm Award

For more information click [here](#).

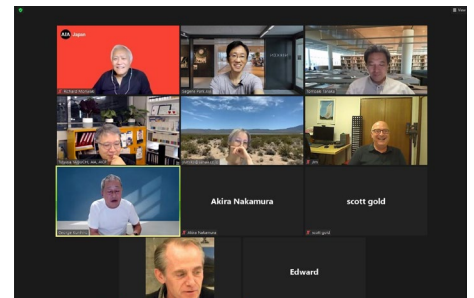
3rd Quarterly Review Meeting

by *Executive Committee on July 14*

Meeting Summary

Although one lecture has been canceled, the AIAJ will provide enough credits for AIA members this year. A visit to Johnson Town with AIUD takes place on October 8 or 15 and is limited to 30 people.

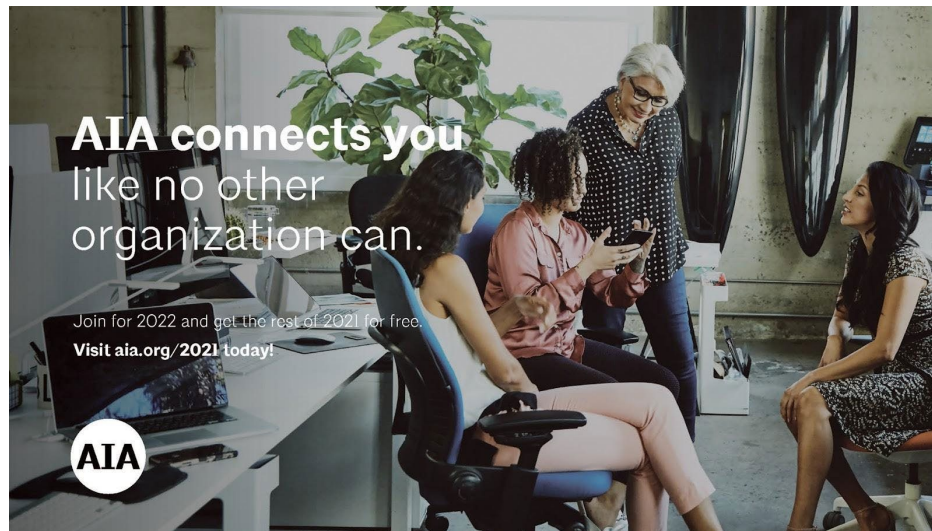
Click [Members-Only Page](#) to read the full minutes.



3rd Quarterly Review Meeting

Join Us!

It is fun and easy, just spending a couple of hours a week makes a difference in our community!



by AIAJ Membership Committee on August

How to join AIA Japan

Architect Member (AIA): Individuals licensed to practice architecture in U.S. State or Territory.

Click [here](#) for Application and Information

International Associate Architect Member (Int'l Assoc. AIA): Individuals who have an architectural license or equivalent from a non-U.S. licensing authority.

Click [here](#) for Application and Information

Associate Members (Assoc. AIA):

Assoc. AIA is open to individuals who meet one of the following criteria:

- Recent Graduate with a degree in architecture (please see Graduate Membership)
- Currently enrolled in the Intern Development Program (IDP) and working towards licensure, or
- Currently work under the supervision of an architect or hold a degree in architecture, or
- Faculty member in a university program in architecture.

Click [here](#) for Application and Information

The AIAJ committee open position as of August 28

Chair positions

- Int'l Associate and Associate Committee Chair

Committee member positions

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- Sponsorship Committee
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