2014 CONVENTION

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Change :: Culture | Community | Commitment

Now is the time for architects to embrace change and be leaders for change. Architects are poised to seize the moment to design for a preferred future, and to recognize that change is permeating throughout the profession, in positive ways small and large. Change—both collectively as a profession and individually as architects—is essential in three critical areas: culture, community, and commitment.

Architects have the power to influence a broader societal culture that appreciates architecture and understands the value of an architect. The AIA should be the organization for matters of civic and cultural engagement, and its members should be guiding positive change in communities. The commitment calls for a renewed effort on each individual member to inspire and to realize the shift in our own professional culture as well as the resultant shift in the greater culture around us. This convention will inspire members to be recharged and prepared to relaunch with a commitment to genuine change.

Reflecting the Institute's repositioning to serve the needs of our diverse membership, education content is to be relevant and emphasize practical application to support the needs of all members of the profession, particularly our emerging professionals and small firm owners in the areas of leadership, management, project delivery, and technology. Program design and delivery methods will embrace our attendees as vital contributors to their own learning and allow them to build knowledge and skills through active learning experiences.

We invite articulate subject matter experts who can engage and connect with the design community in support of repositioning the AIA to submit a proposal for an educational program at the AIA National Convention in Chicago.

For more information on the Institute's repositioning, go to Repositioning the AIA.

Log in to the Abstract ScoreCard to submit a proposal for the largest gathering of architects in the country.