

BULLETIN

June 2008

FIRST FRIDAY

OUR PROGRAM

WHEN: June 6, 2008 7:30 am - 9 am
WHERE: Assistance League of Pasadena
820 East California Blvd, Pasadena
COST: \$20 for RSVP, \$25 non members & at door
UNITS: 1 LU **RSVP BY:** June 4

WHEN: June 18, 2008 6:30 pm
WHERE: The Historic Rialto Theatre, 1023 Fair Oaks Ave, S. Pas.
\$30 for members, \$20 Assoc., Emeritus, Students,
COST: \$40 non member & at door
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Green Projects at the Lyle Center

Guest Speakers:

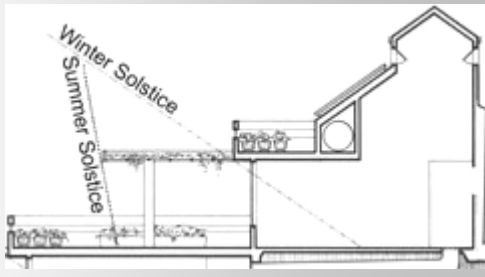
Dr. Kyle D. Brown, Director, John T. Lyle Center for Regenerative Studies, California State Polytechnic University, Pomona
Mr. Matthew West, MSRS Candidate, California State Polytechnic University, Pomona



On June 7 and 8, 2008, Pasadena will host its first Green Leadership Summit. As a pre-conference event, this special First Friday Forum features the pioneering contributions of the John T. Lyle Center at California State Polytechnic University, Pomona, to green building and living.

The late John T. Lyle, a professor of landscape architecture at Cal Poly, championed the idea of living within the limits of renewable resources without degrading the environment, as expressed in his seminal book, *Regenerative Design for Sustainable Development*. The Lyle Center for Regenerative Studies, built in 1992 on the Cal Poly campus, has demonstrated since its inception its namesake's principles. These are evident in the design of the Center's energy-efficient facilities that feature renewable materials and passive heating and cooling, its programs offered in natural systems and sustainable development, including organic food production, and its use both as a cooperative, full-time residence and multi-disciplinary instructional compound to support practical approaches to resolving environmental issues. The Center offers an undergraduate minor in Regenerative Studies as well as a Master of Science degree in Regenerative Studies (MSRS).

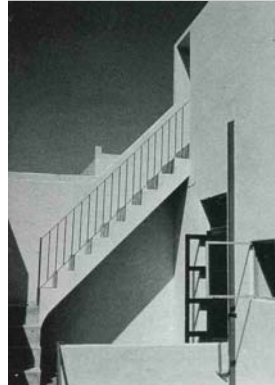
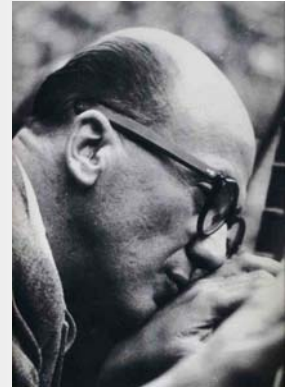
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LUIS BARRAGÁN/ Father of Modern Architecture in Mexico

By Gregorio Luke

Recipient of the 1980 Pritzker Prize, Luis Barragán has long been recognized as the spiritual father of modern Architecture in México. This audiovisual lecture illustrated with over two hundred slides, will present not only Luis Barragán's work but the many influences that have shaped his creations.



During his 62 year career as an architect, Barragán was instrumental in developing and reformulating the ideology and formal language of Modern Mexican Architecture. The spiritual power and originality of his works have influenced three generations of Mexican architects including AIA Gold Medal recipient, Ricardo Legoretto, FAIA .

Presenting will be Gregorio Luke, an expert on Mexican and Latin American art and culture. He is the former Director of the Museum of Latin American Art, Consul of Cultural Affairs of Mexico in Los Angeles and the First Secretary of the embassy of Mexico in Washington D.C.

Mr. Luke has given over 1,000 Lectures in museums and universities in Mexico, Europe and the United States. He has spoken at institutions such as The Library of Congress, The Smithsonian Institution, the San Diego Art Museum, the Detroit Institute of Art, and universities such as Harvard, Columbia and Georgetown among others.



OF INTEREST

FIRST FRIDAY FORUM, CONTINUED....

Guest speaker Dr. Kyle D. Brown, is Director of the Lyle Center and co-chairs the President's Climate Commitment Task Force at Cal Poly. He and Matthew West, MSRS Candidate, will present work at the Center. This includes development of "papercrete," a versatile, alternative and low-cost building material derived from recycled paper used to construct houses in developing countries in conjunction with the Center's Habitat 21, Sustainable Settlements Project. (For more information on Habitat 21, go to http://www.csupomona.edu/~crs/habitat21/habitat_21_061004.pdf)

For CEUs: Participants will learn about:

- The projects and programs of the John T. Lyle Center for Regenerative Studies
- Green building practices and natural systems for sustainable development
- Opportunities for use of alternative building materials based on recycled materials
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The Lyle Center was developed when Marvin Malecha FAIA, the AIA's 2009 President, was Dean of the School at Cal Poly. Chapter Members Brooks Cavin AIA and Patrick Sullivan FAIA were on the Architecture faculty at that time and also had a hand in the development of the Center. While this is now very timely, Lyle Center and Cal Poly have been in the forefront of the subject area for the last 17 years. We are proud of our connections to the Center, and that it is a resource in our chapter Area.



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CHAPTER BIZ

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE, CONTINUED....

of our heritage, and we shouldn't let them down in our seriousness of purpose now. As we look ahead, the profession will not look like that of the Greene Brothers. Back then even, Henry said that he "pitied" those who were working in the "period of transition" in 1948. Little did he know!

Very serious issues confront us as a community and as a profession. The Institute asks us to WALK THE WALK. "Architects Leading the Sustainable Evolution." And they go on to say, "AIA Architects are uniquely poised to provide the leadership and the guidance needed to provide solutions to reduce our footprint in the environment. By using sustainable practices, materials and techniques, all of us can play a role in, well....saving the world."

Maybe not the world as you know it. The era of waste is over. The era of being able to waste, that is. We know better now. Clumsy and unsophisticated technologies are the ones that are not sustainable. The forms of resistance in favor of trying to keep these technologies (and habits) around are economically narrow, lazy and self-interested.

Asking you to WALK THE WALK is asking you to stay on the trend with us. The Institute and AIACC provide the material, the support, the learning, and it is up to us to bring it home. You'll start to see these green AIA sneaker prints showing up to remind us. (B&W in this *Bulletin*.) This will include sustainability itself, and also Integrated Project Development (IPD), being spearheaded by AIACC, and BIM, because these forms of working yield the highest sustainability results.

We need to advocate and plan for health and livability despite incredible densification that is starting to take place in our Chapter Service Area. We also need to advocate for inclusiveness in whom we work with and whom we serve. As Marvin Malecha said recently, we need to be shamans about sustainability for the underserved. If this movement becomes nothing but eco-chic, we will go down almost as surely as if we just keep doing things the same old way.

At some future Chapter Anniversary, will they look back at us as Flaubert` said about the French Aristocrats, that they wore their painted faces and waved and cheered until the last days of the Revolution when their heads started rolling down the streets, or as professionals who seized the time?

Inclusiveness, being shamans, sustainability and IPD all deserve way more space than this. You'll hear more. The Chapter leadership will help you walk the walk.

Thanks,
Joe Catalano AIA

COTE

A Committee on the Environment for AIA P&F

This spring, the Chapter started a Committee on the Environment (COTE) chaired by past board member, Jim Kumon. The committee follows in the naming convention used by AIA National, which was organized formally in 1990. Perhaps the most well known COTE activity at the national level is the COTE Top 10 buildings, which has recognized the best sustainable buildings in the country each year over the past decade.



Jim Kumon

The reason to organize a Committee on the Environment in the Pasadena & Foothill Chapter is to harness the resources of both the national and state AIA organizations, as well as coordinate local green organizations with overlapping service area in the San Gabriel Valley, such as the USGBC LA chapter. The first COTE meeting is planned for June 10 at the office of Miralles Associates in Altadena.

There are two major categories of focus for COTE: professional practice and public advocacy. Within the AEC industry, there is a need to train both new and experienced practitioners how to integrate metrics such as carbon neutrality and green rating systems into the design process, especially as government agencies have begun requiring compliance in many cases. Building Information Modeling and Integrated Practice will have significant influence on how this process shift will ultimately turn out.

With a firm technical foundation, architects can help shape local municipal policy on building codes, planning ordinances and transportation choices and educate the public on both the benefits and necessity of these measures. Many connections have already been made with local governments, including SGVCOG, as well as other non-profit organizations, to be partners with the AIA in these efforts.

One thing has been clear from the very beginning of COTE almost twenty years ago; architects can not solve the issues of sustainability alone. Thus COTE will be multi-disciplinary from the beginning, providing the forum for engineers, contractors, designers, landscape architects, planners, government officials and local advocates to engage each other on topics specific to the San Gabriel Valley. Please pass this invitation along to your friends, consultants and colleagues to join us.

The agenda of COTE will be determined solely by the interests of those who participate - so the issues you care about will be the ones which get addressed. COTE is an opportunity for the chapter to empower its members with the resources necessary to improve the environment and grow professionally, all while serving the public good.

Please join us on June 10 at 6:30 PM at Miralles Associates, 729 W. Woodbury Road, Altadena for our kickoff meeting. If you are interested in joining, but can not attend on the 10th, a second meeting will be planned at the end of June around the schedules of interested parties.

RSVP in either scenario to Jim Kumon at cote@aiapf.org

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The Chapter wishes to thank those members and firms who have participated in this program for the last 7 years.

Your generosity has permitted the Chapter to offer excellent events and programs as well as maintain a permanent Chapter Office.

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OF INTEREST

P&FAIA Preservation Task Force

WE KNOW THERE ARE SOME OF YOU WHO ARE ARCHITECTURAL PRESERVATIONISTS. WE NEED TO HEAR FROM YOU.

Those who attended the last First Friday Forum heard a presentation by Bob Kneisel, a founder of Bungalow Heaven, an historic neighborhood now on the National Register of Historic places, and Russell Hobbs, a Member Emeritus of our Chapter and a resident of Bungalow Heaven. The presentation was a challenge to this Chapter to form an alliance with that historic neighborhood and in particular with their Home Restoration Grant program.

That program was created for the purpose of funding by the Neighborhood Association to qualifying neighbors to have elements of their bungalow, where visible from the street, restored or repaired to enhance their historical bungalow and the neighborhood.

Up to now Pasadena Heritage has been gracious enough to assist in the selection of recipients and administer the execution of the work. As wonderful as they are, their talents lie elsewhere and are delighted that we could 'take up the reins'. It is a natural that we architects become involved for who are better qualified to help.

A few of us have already met to discuss how PFAIA and BHNA can work together to the benefit of the neighborhood and our chapter participation in our community.

Think of this as a "Grass Roots" effort expanding from Bungalow Heaven to the other historic neighborhoods of Pasadena and then reaching out to more communities within our chapter boundaries...and beyond.

COME JOIN US. WE NEED YOUR EXPERTISE!
Call or e-mail the Chapter Office or Russell Hobbs AIA, CSI,



Russell Hobbs

PARTICIPATE

What you get from AIA depends upon what you put in. The best way to take full advantage of your membership is to participate on a committee. There are a number of in-chapter committees to choose from. With so many different opportunities to get involved, there's sure to be a committee for you. We welcome prospective members to any of our committees. It's a great way to meet the AIA community and see what it can do for you.

Bulletin Editorial Board

Lead by the Director of Communications, this group edits and organizes publishing of newsletters, e-blasts, and other publications for purpose of informing Chapter members and the public of upcoming meetings, professional seminars, Chapter and AIA activities and other items of interest.

Chair: Open

Please contact [Debra Boudreau](#) if you would like to be on this committee.

Programs Committee

Focusing on producing quality relevant programs for the membership, this committee is Co-chaired by the Director of Programs and the Director of Advocacy,

Chairs: Monthly Programs Vijay Sehgal, AIA and First Friday Forums, Julianna Delgado, Assoc. AIA

Please contact [Debra Boudreau](#) if you would like to be on this committee.

Membership Committee

Coordinated by the Membership Director, this Committee discusses and develops ways to improve and enhance benefits and services, identify and recruit new members, and retain existing members.

Chair: Richard Maness, AIA

Please contact [Debra Boudreau](#) if you would like to be on this committee.

Committee on the Environment (COTE) Forum

Promotes environmental leadership among architects; seeks to make environmental considerations and sustainable design integral to the practice of architecture.

Chair: Jim Kumon, Assoc. AIA.

Please contact [Debra Boudreau](#) if you would like to be on the planning committee.

Design Awards

The P & F AIA Design Awards program recognizes and celebrates design excellence in the Chapter area, California, and beyond. The Design Awards Committee is responsible for overseeing the program's direction and budget, selecting the jury members, and facilitating the jury meeting and awards presentation. In addition, the Design Awards Committee works with Onuma to produce the totally digital entry process on the Design Awards site [www.http://aia-awards.com/AIAPF/](http://aia-awards.com/AIAPF/)

Co-Chairs: John Luttrell, AIA. and Peter Tolkin, AIA

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Our 60th Anniversary Greene & Greene, and Walk the Walk

Our Chapter was chartered by the Institute sixty years ago, in June of 1948. It is now time to look back, and look forward too. As I talked about at my Installation in December, we began very auspiciously in that one of the first things we did was to pull the Greene Brothers out of almost complete obscurity, as very old men, to recognize them for their wonderful body of work.

Shortly thereafter the Institute itself honored the Greene Brothers, as "formulators of a new and native architecture....your names will be forever remembered among the creative Americans."

Times and the profession have changed, but their excellent work is part

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JUNE CHAPTER EVENTS

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