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IIDA Announces New 2011-2012 President And Board Members

IIDA (International Interior Design Association) is gearing up for **Neo-Con 2011**, and let us give a nod of appreciation for both IIDA and **ASID** (American Society of Interior Designers) for holding their annual formalities and festivities in what we hope will one day become a focal, outward-looking event for the interiors industry: Neo-Con. This is the industry's chance to celebrate the interior workplace and its design, not just a product introduction occasion.



IIDA has traditionally held its annual meeting and officer/director inductions during NeoCon. As is customary, the new International Board of Directors, the new Chair of the IIDA College of Fellows, the new Fellows, the new Chair of the IIDA Foundation Board



PETER CONANT

of Trustees and the new Foundation Board will be introduced and welcomed at the Association's Annual Meeting on Sunday, June 12, 2011, 1:30 p.m. at the Museum of Contemporary Art.

Peter A. Conant, IIDA, AIA, LEED AP, founder and Managing Principal at Conant Architects, New York, NY, will be inducted as the Association's president for the 2011-2012 term. He succeeds **Viveca Bissonnette**, FIIDA. Mr. Conant, as well as other International Board Members, was elected by the IIDA Membership.

Mr. Conant has designed prestigious projects including corporate headquarters, not for profit organizations, and numerous industry showrooms. He has spoken publicly on issues of design at NeoCon, CREW and more. He is a Past President of the IIDA New York Chapter. During his tenure as New York Chapter President, Mr. Conant recruited senior industry leadership to the Chapter Board, and dramatically improved the financial strength of the Chapter. In addition he helped the Chapter establish a design awards program and expanded the New York Chapter Leaders Breakfast. He's a good guy, always willing to lend a hand to activities to support the profession.

Mr. Conant said his objective as he assumes the role of president is to elevate the profession: "My overall goal as President is to elevate and promote the knowledge, professionalism and value of interior design. Designers are leaders in the formation of our built environment, and I see this as a high calling. The collective knowledge and voice of IIDA should provide the leadership and support for this vital industry. I feel that IIDA should be the go-to organization for students and practitioners who are looking to build their careers and practice."

The full 2011-2012 International Board of Directors is:

Peter Conant, IIDA, AIA, LEED AP, President (Conant Architects, New York, NY)

Viveca Bissonnette, FIIDA, CID, Assoc. AIA, LEED AP, Vice President (HollanderDesignGroup- San Diego, CA)

Anne-Marie Gianoudis, IIDA, LEED AP, Vice President (Gresham Smith & Partners—Birmingham, AL)

Susanne Molina, IIDA, Vice President (Klawiter and Associates — Los Angeles, CA)

Stacy Reed, IIDA, LEED AP, Vice President (The University of Texas System Office of Facilities Planning & Construction—Austin, TX)

Enrique Reyes, Industry IIDA, Vice President (Milliken Carpet — Spartanburg, SC)

Felice L. Silverman, IIDA, Vice President (Silverman Trykowski Associates, Inc.—Boston, MA)

Jack E. Weber, IIDA, MCR, LEED AP, Vice President (Gresham Smith & Partners—Nashville, TN)

Jim Williamson, IIDA, LEED AP, President Elect (Gensler — Washington, DC)

Cheryl S. Durst, Hon. FIIDA, LEED AP, Executive Vice President/CEO IIDA Headquarters (Chicago, IL)

The IIDA Board announce that it has elected the Chair of the College of Fel-



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lows, a two-year term, and the Chair of the Foundation, a two-year term:

>**Peggy Noakes**, FIIDA, AAHID, LEED AP, EDAC, was appointed and will serve as the 2011–2013 Chair of the IIDA College of Fellows. Ms. Noakes currently works for WHR Architects in Houston, TX, and is a past Member of the International Board of Directors.



FELICE SILVERMAN

>**Felice Silverman**, IIDA was appointed and will serve as the 2011–2013 Chair of the IIDA Foundation Board of Trustees, a 501(c)(3) philanthropic organization whose primary mission is to advance interior design through education, research and knowledge to benefit IIDA and the interior design profession. The Foundation, under the guidance of its Board of Trustees, works in collaboration with IIDA to support the strategic plan of the Association. Ms. Silverman is with Silverman Trykowski Associates, Boston, MA.

The 2011-2012 Foundation Board of Trustees were also announced:

>Chair: **Felice Silverman**, IIDA, Silverman Trykowski Assoc., Arlington, MA

>**Dawn Fischer**, IIDA, NBBJ, Seattle, WA

>**Anne-Marie Gianoudis**, IIDA, Gresham Smith & Partners, Birmingham, AL

>**Jim Klawiter**, IIDA, Klawiter & Associates Inc., Los Angeles, CA

>**Allen Parker**, Industry IIDA, Kimball Office, Atlanta, GA

>**Elizabeth Williams**, IIDA, Marmon Mok, San Antonio, TX ■