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

November...A Time for Thanks and Giving

This month, IARc students and faculty share their time and talent...

Second-Helping and Second-Hand...

In this month of Thanksgiving, we gather to celebrate the collective work of UNCG Interior Architecture students at the Salvation Army Select Grand Opening this Friday, November 13 at 10:00am! The store weaves together the work of more than 100 UNCG students over the course of a year, a handful of faculty, a terrific community partner, and a host of volunteers, as well as the outpouring or community support for the project. It represents the culmination of undergraduate thesis work by Debbie Nestvogel and Matt Jones, along with student-designed fixtures from Stoel Burrowes’ product design studio and innovative displays and merchandising by Suzanne Cabrera’s retail studio. Please join us in the grand opening of this wonderful project!

Thanking a Giving Citizen...

Suzanne Cabrera received a citizenship award from the Salvation Army for all of her hard work and dedication to the Salvation Army Select Project!

Idea Exchange in Durham...

Interior architecture students from UNCG will exhibit design proposals for a few buildings aimed at infusing life into the downtown Durham area. Join us to exchange ideas on the future possibilities in Durham as the buildings in the downtown area are being transformed into contemporary office spaces, showrooms, restaurants, etc.
sharing her expertise and talent...

In light of Anna Marshall-Baker’s appointment as Associate Department Chair, this November faculty profile focuses on a well-known IARc faculty member. Anna’s main interests lie in the reciprocal effects of people and their environments; this interest broadly extends from preterm infants who are vulnerable to harmful environmental effects to the general population which is affected by environmental degradation. She stresses the importance in recognizing what needs to be done to improve environments and discovering what role we, as designers, can play in developing more positive effects. Anna also actively participates in an international group developing design standards for neonatal intensive care units and in other groups engaged in issues related to sustainability at UNCG, in the UNC system, and in the design profession. She and her husband have been together for 38 years and were high-school sweethearts, and because her husband currently works at VA Tech in Blacksburg, VA, she greatly values the time she spends with him. The older of her two daughters works as a school-based clinician at an elementary school, and the younger studies at UNC Asheville. In her spare time, Anna enjoys biking, working on her house, hanging out with her dogs, cat, and 3 birds, and watching the Pittsburgh Steelers play football!

Anna Marshall-Baker. Photo credit: Patrick Lee Lucas

a healthy helping of historic preservation...

The UNCG IARc historic preservation program had quite a presence at this year’s Preservation North Carolina Conference in New Bern. Jo Ramsay Leimenstoll presented the Craft of Thomas Day in preparation of the 2010 publication of the book on Thomas Day that she co-authored. Also, three UNCG students presented research they conducted last year. Sarah Marion’s presentation, “Preserving Industrial Heritage: Rehabilitation Mills Using the N.C. Mills Bill”, discussed both the challenges and rewards of rehabilitation of mill buildings. In “archetype : prototype : hybrid : decoding images in the mid-century suburban home”, Ashley Warriner Andrews presented her research on Lowenstein homes in Greensboro. Kate Zylstra presented her thesis research on theater rehabilitation in “Visulaizing Architectural Character: the Affects of Rehabilitation on the Voice of Theater.” It was a great opportunity to learn and connect with preservation professionals.

full from travel, learning, and schmoozing...

A group of fifth year students took a fulfilling field trip to Baltimore, Maryland for the annual NeoCon East. The day was filled with exciting and educational moments where this group of ladies experienced more than 250 exhibitors, 30 CEU-accredited seminars and association forums, keynote speakers, new products, innovative design, building resources and for a few short hours had countless materials all at their finger tips. Among the keynote speakers was Hellman-Chang, which was founded only two years ago and has quickly gained attention from interior designers because of their innovative designs. Read more on the blog!

urban studio: a call for giving...

After nine months of hard work from over a hundred students and several volunteers, My Sister's House is nearing completion. There is still work to do before the house reaches completion, and Robert Charest will welcome volunteers this Saturday November 14 to help get the landscaping done. Please contact him at rmchares@uncg.edu.

And, as always, stay informed on all of the exciting IARc happenings through the [i]blog!

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