CALL FOR PRESENTATIONS

The AIA Kentucky/Indiana Convention, planned for September 23-24, 2021*, will bring together more than 200 architects and allied professionals from around the region for two days of programs and activities. The Programming sub-committee is interested in providing a wide range of programs that will meet the needs of all of the convention attendees and appeal to a broad representation of the Institute’s membership and allied professionals. Presenters are asked and encouraged to provide programs that address at least one of the conference tracks. Those programs deemed to address the needs of the widest range of participants will be given the highest consideration.

PRESENTATION FORMAT
Sessions are educational presentations, including panel discussions and lectures, and are planned to be presented at the Seelbach Hilton in Louisville, with a potential follow-up presentation via webinar in the weeks after the live event. The Committee reserves the right to adjust the length of any of the proposals submitted.

THEMATIC TRACKS & EXAMPLE TOPICS

TRACK 1 – Future Technologies: What are the emerging trends that will impact the design, documentation, construction, operation, and maintenance of our future buildings? What are the latest developments in innovative and sustainable building materials and how can our buildings address the imperative for immediate climate action?

TRACK 2 – Future of Practice: (Advocacy, the Future of Practice, Firm Management, Succession Planning, etc.) What setbacks or challenges are likely to impact the future practice of architecture? How will design teams collaborate and interact with future clients? How will architects adapt to and thrive in these future circumstances?

TRACK 3 – Future of Communities: (Equity/diversity/inclusion, new urban agenda, safety and security, etc.) What threats are facing our current and future communities, and how can architects/architecture be a valuable tool to help overcome challenges and address these issues? How can our communities be more generative during times of stability, and adapt, reorganize and grow in response to disruption?

While we encourage presentations applicable to one of these focus areas, the Convention Program Committee will review and consider alternate program submittals related to the conference theme. All programs should endeavor to obtain health, safety and welfare (HSW) credits as defined by the American Institute of Architects, as they will be given preference over programs that do not qualify for HSW.

See Page 2 for Submission Instructions

*Should restrictions on public gathering prevent an in-person event in September, AIA Kentucky and AIA Indiana will present as many of the selected sessions as possible in the form of an educational webinar series. Dates for the series are TBD, if necessary.
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Submit your presentation by emailing a PDF with all info listed on this page to kives@aiaky.org no later than **Friday, April 30, 2021**.

1. **Presentation Title**

2. **Program Abstract** (200 words or less)

3. **Primary Presenter/Contact Info** (this will be the individual who receives all information regarding this submittal)
   Include First Name, Last Name, AIA Designations, Title, Company, Address, Phone, Email

4. **Names of Additional Presenters**

5. **Biographical Information** of no more than 200 words for each presenter. (Include education, professional credentials, licenses or certifications and list demonstrated knowledge of the course subject and content.)

6. **Have you presented this session at any other conference/event?**

7. **List any block of time starting at 9 AM on Thursday, Sept. 24 through 5 PM on Friday, Sept. 25, during which you would NOT be able to present.**

8. **Are you willing to present via webinar in the weeks after the live conference?**

9. **Preferred Program Length** – 1 hr and 15 minutes (60 minute presentation with 15 minutes for Q&A)

10. **Indicate whether the session qualifies for Health Safety Welfare (HSW)* credits. *See page 4 for detailed requirements for HSW approval.**

11. **Identify four (4) Learning Objectives** for the program. A learning objective is an explanation of the learning outcomes of the course, they should clearly express what the adult learner will be able to do after taking the course. Be as specific as possible about the learning that will occur and the benefits to the participants attending your session. For example: “Participants will be able to identify, calculate, apply, etc.”

12. **Device & A/V Requirements**: Laptop computers are NOT provided - indicate here the type of computer you will be bringing. All rooms will have internet access, a podium microphone, an LCD projector and a screen. Indicate here any other audio-visual requirements you may have such as embedded audio, embedded video, etc.

13. **Acknowledgement of the risk and liability waiver** included on page 5 of this packet.
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SELECTION & NOTIFICATION
Selection Criteria: Your proposal will be evaluated by members of the Convention Programming Subcommittee, against the following criteria:

- Well-defined program, focus and clarity of the proposal, clear learning objectives
- Overall quality and potential to contribute to a well-balanced convention program
- Singular and dynamic approaches to the subject material; Innovative, emerging and relevant
- Relevance to the profession and theme of the convention
- Practical applications of materials or ideas; In-depth and challenging material
- Level of interaction, engagement opportunities with attendees
- Speakers’ experience

Proposed programs must be generic in nature and not sell or promote any specific product or service. The content must contribute to the continuing education needs of AIA members, be relevant to the convention theme, and contribute to the body of knowledge of the practice of architecture.

TIMELINE
Apr. 1, 2021 Call for Presentations Opens
Apr. 30, 2021 Submission Deadline (By Close Of Business)
May 14, 2021 Selection Notifications to All Entrants
Sept. 3, 2021 Handouts/AV Requirements due to Convention Staff
Sept. 23-24, 2021 AIA Kentucky | AIA Indiana Convention, Louisville, KY

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HEALTH, SAFETY & WELFARE REQUIREMENTS

To qualify as a Health/Safety/Welfare (HSW) learning unit, a minimum of 75 percent of the program’s content must relate to one or more of the HSW topics to be considered for HSW credit. In order to have your session approved for HSW credit, you must demonstrate how the session content addresses the protection of the public good. The definition of HSW is:

HEALTH  Those aspects of professional practice that improve the physical, emotional, and social well-being of occupants, users, and any others affected by buildings and sites.

SAFETY  Those aspects of professional practice that protect occupants, users, and any others affected by buildings or sites from harm.

WELFARE  Those aspects of professional practice that enable equitable access, elevate the human experience, encourage social interaction, and benefit the environment.

The AIA is strictly enforcing the application of the HSW criteria. The more clearly you can demonstrate and explain below why and how a program meets the HSW criteria, the easier it will be for reviewers to approve. Learning programs must address one or more of the following HSW topics to be approved for HSW credit:

Practice management: This category focuses on areas related to the management of architectural practice and the details of running a business.

Project management: This category focuses on areas related to the management of architectural projects through execution.

Programming and analysis: This category focuses on areas related to the evaluation of project requirements, constraints, and opportunities.

Project planning and design: This category focuses on areas related to the preliminary design of sites and buildings.

Project development and documentation: This category focuses on areas related to the integration and documentation of building systems, material selection, and material assemblies into a project.

Construction and evaluation: This category focuses on areas related to construction contract administration and post-occupancy evaluation of projects.

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Assumption of the Risk and Waiver of Liability Relating to Coronavirus/COVID-19

The novel coronavirus, COVID-19, has been declared a worldwide pandemic by the World Health Organization. COVID-19 is extremely contagious and is believed to spread mainly from person-to-person contact. As a result, federal, state, and local governments and federal and state health agencies recommend social distancing and have, in many locations, prohibited the congregation of groups of people.

AIA Kentucky/AIA Indiana have put in place preventative measures to reduce the spread of COVID-19; however, AIA Kentucky/AIA Indiana cannot guarantee you will not become infected with COVID-19. Further, attending the 2021 AIA Kentucky/AIA Indiana Convention could increase your risk contracting COVID-19.

By attending, you acknowledge the contagious nature of COVID-19 and voluntarily assume the risk that you may be exposed to or infected by COVID-19 and that such exposure or infection may result in personal injury, illness, permanent disability, and death.

You understand the risk of becoming exposed to or infected by COVID-19 at the 2021 AIA Kentucky/AIA Indiana Convention may result from the actions, omissions, or negligence of yourself and others, including, but not limited to, AIA Kentucky/AIA Indiana employees, volunteers, and program participants.

You voluntarily agree to assume all of the foregoing risks and accept sole responsibility for any injury to yourself (including, but not limited to, personal injury, disability, and death), illness, damage, loss, claim, liability, or expense, of any kind, that you may experience or incur in connection with your attendance at the 2021 AIA Kentucky/AIA Indiana Convention.

You hereby release, covenant not to sue, discharge, and hold harmless the 2021 AIA Kentucky/AIA Indiana, its employees, agents, and representatives, of and from the Claims, including all liabilities, claims, actions, damages, costs or expenses of any kind arising out of or relating thereto.

You understand and agree that this release includes any Claims based on the actions, omissions, or negligence of 2021 AIA Kentucky/AIA Indiana Convention, its employees, agents, and representatives, whether a COVID-19 infection occurs before, during, or after participation at the 2021 AIA Kentucky/AIA Indiana Convention.

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