



A Note from Executive Director, Maria Furgiuele

Few days are etched in our memory as is this date in time. There are others like it, but all are remembered due to some catastrophic event - the Day the Twin Towers fell, the day the Challenger exploded, the day JFK was assassinated...

Over the course of time, these dates have become days of remembrance, a time for reflection and evaluation of our current condition. I want to take this time to express my sincere sympathy for all those who lost loved ones, were injured or who's lives were forever altered on September eleventh in 2001.

When we look back, we also remember the overwhelming response from people all around the world! It is wonderful to see the amazing response from people near and far as they continue to respond to natural disasters and national tragedies with kindness, compassion and generosity. This was most recently on display with the devastation caused by hurricane Harvey. What causes me wonder is "if we can set aside our differences in times of tragedy, why can we not CHOOSE to act out of kindness and with goodwill ALWAYS?" Can we make a conscious effort to act as our best selves, out of kindness and goodwill and inspire others to do the same? This is the challenge that I offer you all.

For all of you who have birthdays and happy occasions to celebrate today, I send you my best wishes that your day be filled with love and joy always remembering that each day is a special gift.

7th annual
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awards

Recognizing the people and projects advancing the Rochester region

Nomination Deadline Coming Up Next Week!

Help us identify the people and projects that have had an enduring impact our community by improving the public realm! [Applications can be downloaded here](#) and are open until September 15th.*

Our 7th Annual Awards ceremony will be held November 16th at Temple B'rith Kodesh. Plan to join us in celebrating the people, projects, and efforts that are advancing the Rochester Region.

** If you are having problems downloading the application send us an email [here](#).*



Photo: (L to R) - Gena Brantley, David Riley, and June Lee

Interns Reflect on Their Experiences at the CDCR!

We would not be able to accomplish our work without the strong support of our volunteers and interns! Whether they support our events once a year or come in every week, we cannot express our appreciation enough for their hard work and dedication to our mission. Our 2017 summer interns reflect on their experience as they return to their studies.

Gena Brantley - SUNY Geneseo Geography and Mathematics Double Major 2019

Interning with CDCR this summer has been a wonderful experience for me. I have had so many opportunities to learn about community-driven planning, principles of good design, and the charrette process. I look forward to taking this with me as I return for my junior year at SUNY Geneseo, where I am a geography and mathematics double major. The insights I've gained this summer have stirred my passion for design that is ethical, responsible and sustainable - a passion I'll take with me as I continue in my studies and career.

David Riley - State University of New York at Buffalo Master of Urban and Regional Planning 2018

This was an exciting time to work at CDCR. It was great to have the opportunity to participate in one charrette in Rush and help prepare for another this fall in Charlotte. I got a lot of hands-on experience writing reports, conducting research, helping with grant applications, planning public engagement processes and understanding the application of quality design. Thanks to the staff and board members who taught me an awful lot this summer. Thankfully, I'm not leaving CDCR for good - I plan to help out at a charrette in the fall, and I'm exploring a master's thesis that may build off CDCR's important community engagement work in Rochester.

June Lee - Rochester Institute of Technology (RIT) Master of Architecture May 2018

Through this internship, I have become more familiar with a wide range of communities in the City of Rochester. Before this internship, I had some concerns regarding communication with different community members and the community design process. By researching historical resources, participating in the community charrette and creating meeting reports, I was able to have a better understanding of different communities and cultural factors as well as the way to work with different groups of people. I am glad that I was able to be part of the process and broaden my perspective through the whole community design process.

Are You Looking for an Internship?

We are delighted to announce the 2017 Community Planning and Design fall internship! Please download and complete the application [here!](#)

Introducing our new board members!



Nana-Yaw Andoh

Nana is an Assistant Professor in the Master of Architecture program in the Golisano Institute for Sustainability (GIS) at Rochester Institute of Technology. Before RIT, Nana taught at SUNY Delhi, where he developed the first Study Abroad Program. Nana has considerable experience in professional practice as a designer for several well-respected firms on a variety of high profile international projects and received his Master of Architectural and Design Urbanism degrees from the University of Notre Dame.

Stephanie Annunziata, CPA

Stephanie is a partner of Heveron and Company CPAs and is a Certified Public Accountant. She is a 1993 graduate of Nazareth College of Rochester. She has been serving not-for-profit organizations since 1994, managing and reviewing audits, compliance audits and other audit and consulting services. She is currently the co-chair for the Coalition to Prevent Lead Poisoning, and a former finance committee member for the United Way Services Corporation.



Angela's Angle

Introducing CDCR's new Director of Operations!

Hi everyone! I am so excited to be able to take this expanded role at the Design Center! Some of you may know me as CDCR's graphic design consultant/ photographer and the proud owner of Annabelle, the little stray kitten we found outside our office. I have been quietly working behind the scenes for 9 years, and I'm looking forward to being able to continue doing what I've been doing graphically AND be able to interact with all of you now!

It's been so wonderful seeing how far the design center has come in all the time I've been here, and I can't wait to see its growth in the coming years!

See what our friends are up to!



Community Bike Rides
5-6 pm: Registration • 6 pm: Ride
Call 311 • www.cityofrochester.gov/slowride

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Rochester City Council

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Greentopia Presents:

Urban Waterfronts: The Next Frontier for American Cities

Tuesday, September 12th, 2017

Oak Hill Country Club, 145 Kilbourn Rd, Rochester, NY 14618

8:00 AM (Doors open at 7:30am)

Mark W. Johnson of globally-recognized Civitas Landscape Architects will talk about how urban waterfronts are reshaping American cities.

[Click here](#) for more info



"Crossroads", an exhibition featuring artwork by Rebecca Lomuto, Beverly Rafferty, Bill Stephens, and Jean Stephens.

These four artists explore the world through oil painting, pen and ink, printmaking, and more. Stop by 383 or [389 Park Ave](#) to view work by these talented local artists.

Exhibition dates: August 4 - September 23, 2017

[Click here](#) for more info.



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