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Annual Report 2017

1. GVSA Executive Summary

This year's GVSA activities/updates include:

- 1. A new wave of executive was welcomed this year. New and current executive
 - members were all given specific areas of focus. These are:
 - CHAIR: MATT BOLEN (acts as formal chair for Part 1 of monthly meetings and provides general leadership to executive)
 - OUTGOING-CHAIR: ANDRE ARSENEAULT (supports the chair with knowledge and experience gained while in the chair position)
 - SECRETARY: DAVID THOMPSON (prepares agendas, minutes and new bulletins for distribution to membership)
 - TREASURER: MARK BUCKLEY (manages bank account, collects payments, pays bills, provides monthly financial updates)
 - COMMUNICATIONS COORDINATOR: YVONNE IP (sends out mass communications to membership)
 - CON-ED COORDINATOR: ANA GASCON (organizes con-ed lunch & learns and other events and issues OAA structured learning credits)
 - EVENTS COORDINATOR: JOSH BEDARD (organizes special events and solicits the help of other member volunteers)
 - WEB & SOCIAL MEDIA COORDINATOR: ANDRE ARSENEAULT (updates website and administers social media accounts such as twitter, IG, facebook, etc.)
 - SUSTAINABILITY (SBEC) LIASON: MIKE TRUSSELL (promotes sustainable design and liaises with OAA Sustainable Built Environments Committee)
 - STUDENT LIASON: DANIELLE GIGNAC (liaises with local Architectural Students and Schools. i.e. UW School of Arch, Conestoga College, Etc.)
- Collaboration with RDH/Building Science Labs in Waterloo led by John Straube monthly discussions on building envelope, earning structured learning credits.
- 3. Joint-venture with the City of Kitchener Industry Workshop updates.
- 4. Tours of notable buildings recently constructed including the WLU Lazaridis School of Business and Economics School by David Thomson Architect Ltd (DTAL) & Diamond Schmidt Architects.
- 5. **The President's Visit** in October, held at the WLU Senate room was a very well attended event with engaging discussions between John and the membership.
- 6. Lunch and Learns



Hamilton/Burlington Society of Architects

Hamilton Burlington Society of Architects | 2017 Activity Report

Chair	Graham McNally	
Vice Chair	Cynthia Zahoruk	
	Christina Karney	
Treasurer	John Grguric	
Secretary	Paula Hamilton	

The HBSA had another busy and successful year promoting architects and raising the profile of architecture in our community.

In February, we held our Annual General Meeting and elected our executive committee. At our AGM, a motion was moved, and duly approved, establishing the duration of our executive positions at two years.

Again this year, our society received incredible support from our industry partners and affiliate members. The HBSA is deeply thankful and appreciative of the support of our industry partners.

Our largest event this year was our second Architecture Crawl, aptly dubbed, *Architecture Crawl 2.0*. This event was hosted at 4 unique buildings in the downtown core. Two of the sites were buildings that have recently undergone adaptive reuse renovations while the remaining were buildings currently waiting for their rejuvenation. The event gave the public an opportunity to experience the City in a unique way that was only possible through member's clients and projects. The event was sold out and received press coverage by the CBC (http://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/hamilton/architecture-crawl-1.4152047), The Hamilton Spectator (https://www.thespec.com/living-story/7358863-kathy-renwald-architecture-crawl-2-0/), and Raise The Hammer

(<u>https://raisethehammer.org/article/3334/crawl_into_the_building</u>). The success of this event resulted in modest revenue which allowed the society to give back to our community by donating \$2,500 to a local charity. The Threshold School of Building was selected as the recipient. Threshold is an organization that provides skilled trades training to at risk youth in Hamilton (<u>http://www.tsob.ca/</u>)

A summary of other HBSA activities and events include:

- Annual Golf Tournament in partnership with the local Construction Specifiers of Canada chapter raised just over \$17,000 for 2 local charities. The cheque presentations were made at our annual Christmas celebration.
- The HBSA again sponsored the Art Gallery of Hamilton Film Festival. This year, in addition to the sponsorship, the Young Architects of Hamilton organized a public panel discussion that

followed the film. The screening of "Integral Man," sold out and a second screening was added.

- The HBSA continued local advocacy with the City and anchor institutions in the City. Of particular note, the HBSA provided comments to the City's new Downtown Secondary Plan and new Mixed Use Zoning bylaws.
- The "Sympos-YAH" series continued, organized by the HBSA's Young Architects of Hamilton. The series this year included "Disruptors", an exploration of non-conventional business models and re-imagining the protopypical architectural practice. The speakers were Philip Beesley, architect, and Kyra Clarkson Architect & Co-founder of MODERNest. Open to the public, this series continues to be an excellent path to engage with our broader community.

In 2017, our monthly meetings continued to be well attended with an average of 35 members attending.

Special Funding Updates:

No special funding was received by the HBSA in 2017.

Sincerely,

The Hamilton Burlington Society of Architects

Graham McNally, Chair Cynthia Zahoruk, Vice – Chair Christina Karney, Vice – Chair John Grguic, Treasurer Paula Hamilton, Treasurer



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The London Society members remained very active in the community with representation on the Urban Design Peer Review Panel, City of London Building and Development Liaison Forum and the London and District Construction Association. The RAIC Syllabus program is well supported by the membership and candidates in the program will often have as many as 10 local architects participating in their crits. Local members continue to submit their projects in large numbers to the City of London Urban Design Awards which runs bi-annually and receives good coverage in all forms of media.

The Lecture Series which is run by the LSA at Museum London had 3 events which were all well attended in the spring of 2017. The fall series was delayed due to unanticipated financial negotiations with the Museum which were successfully settled in December. The LSA is looking forward to the re-boot of the series in the spring of 2018. Presentations by London architect David Murphy and Toronto architect Chris Pommer, were well received. The documentary film – Urbanized – completed the series for 2017.

The LSA Executive met on 3 occasions during the course of the year and have scheduled the AGM and local elections to be completed by the end of February 2018. The committee struck by the Executive in 2014, continued their efforts in attempting to have the City streamline their processes as they related to Site Plan Approval and Building Permits. This has been a significant issue in London and has affected the work of every member. The committee sat down with senior administration at the City and presented again a 3 page document which outlined 4 issues related to SPA, 1 issue related to Building Permits and 4 issues related to the Urban Design Review process. Each of the issues raised was also presented with a solution and while the senior administration was in agreement with our issues and solutions, they did admit it will take some time to make the suggested changes. The LSA was pleased to see our recommendation on improving the Building Permit process be implemented this fall. The LSA and the specially appointed committee will continue to pressure the City of London to improve their process and remove any unnecessary delays.

The procurement process continues to be a concern for the membership and this was expressed when the OAA President came for the annual meet and greet in October. At this meeting, where over 20 members attended, it was made clear through the discussion that the OAA needs to continue the fight with I.O. and the public institutions to have fair and reasonable RFP's issued. Elements of the standard language in the agreement between client and architect are becoming unrecognizable and detrimental to the profession. The LSA was appreciative of the OAA's quick responses as well as proactive responses on behalf of the membership.

The financial statements can be found attached to this document for the period ending October 31, 2017.

Tom Tillmann Chair, LSA



Annual Report to the OAA Council

January 10, 2018

Summary of Society Activities

With a renewed sense of purpose, the membership of the NBSA worked diligently in 2017 to increase awareness of the Society and present a fresh image to the community. Through a design competition among it's members, the Society developed a new logo and letterhead, and has begun development of a website as well. These initiates have provided a much-needed update to our professional identity.

Recognizing an opportunity to give back to our community, the Society assisted the Dionne Quints Heritage Board – a local non-profit responsible for the historic Dionne Quintuplets birth home – with conceptual site planning for the anticipated relocation of the home to downtown North Bay, Ontario. The efforts of the Society were recognized several times in local media, and the relocation of the home itself received both national and international coverage, including the CBC, The Toronto Star, The National Post, The Globe and Mail, and The New York Times.

The Society also continues to build relationships with the City of North Bay, participating as a member of the Municipal Heritage Committee, as well as contributing to workshops on the Downtown Waterfront Master Plan and the planned reconstruction of the city's wharf and waterfront amenities.

Finally, the Society has opened a dialogue with the McEwen School of Architecture at Laurentian University to investigate possible partnerships and the potential of undertaking a studio project in North Bay.

Special Project Funding Report

The Society did not apply for Special Project Funding in 2017.

NOSA I Northern Ontario Society of Architects 2017 Activities Report

December 18, 2017

NOSA Chair: Amber Salach

Number of Current Members: 32



Membership includes: Licensed Architects, Intern Architects, Student Associates and Retired Architects.

2017 was an eventful and participatory year for NOSA. We hosted a number of events, continuing education sessions, worked on installations together and engaged in thoughtful architectural discourse.

UpHere Festival 2017 – OAA Special Funding

NOSA received \$4000 from the OAA Special Funding for the supply of materials for the UpHere Festival installation, which was held on August 18th to 20th, 2017 in Sudbury. The three day long cultural festival featured live music and interactive art installations, culminating in an all-night art crawl through the downtown core. NOSA's contribution was a large scale interactive installation titled "CMYG.

Over the course of 3 months, a core group of NOSA participants came together on a biweekly and then nightly basis to conceptualize, design, build and install the architectural installation.

As noted from last year's installation, we had stored the large and robust plywood modules, so that they can be utilized for a new and reconfigured installation for this past year's 2017 UpHere Festival – which is exactly what we did. This year we had extensive help from McEwen School of Architecture students, which was a great way to have architects collaborate with the school and students.

Installation Description: C-M-Y-G (Cyan-Magenta-Yellow-Green)

C-M-Y-G is an exploration in additive and subtractive colour theory; more simply stated as the interaction between coloured light and pigment. The use of mono-frequency cyan light and intermittent white light alters your ability to read the colours as they ought to be. Under mono-frequency conditions everything appears in cyan and grey tones. With addition of white light, the pigment of the oversized C-M-Y-G half-tone screen print reappears.

A collection of +50 parallelepiped boxes form a winding line of benches and niches for visitors to sit, rest and observe.

Project collaborators: Amber Baechler, Mark Baechler, Jordan Chappell, Amber Salach, Matthew Schultze, Ted Wilson, Breana Chabot, Vennice De Guzman, Sahana Dharmaraj, Sarah Fox, Adrian Hutchinson, Harrison Lane, Braeden Martel and Derrick Pilon.















Public Lecture: Heather Dubbledam – OAA Special Funding

As part of NOSA's initiative to engage architects, designers, students and the community at large for World Architecture day, a public lecture was hosted by NOSA on September 26 at 6:30pm in the McEwen School of Architecture Lecture Hall. The Northern Ontario Society of Architects organized having Heather Dubbeldam, from Dubbeldam Architecture + Design, provide a lecture entitled 'The Next Green – Innovation in Sustainable Housing'. The lecture attracted approximately 200 people and was followed by a dinner at a local downtown restaurant with Heather and some architects and professors from the School of Architecture.

The intent and outcome of hosting the lecture:

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- Capitalize on media and public attention directed toward architecture for World Architecture Day and World Habitat Day;
- Provide a local event to complement initiatives planned by the OAA to mark World Architecture Day;
- Position NOSA and the OAA as engaged participants within public discourse on architecture and allied disciplines (i.e. architecture, urban planning, farming/agriculture, engineering, etc.).

DUBBELDAM ARCHITECTURE + DESIGN The Next Green — Innovation in Sustainable Housing

FREE Public Lecture Tuesday September 26, 2017 @ 6:30pm McEwen School of Architecture — Lecture Hall Dubbeldam is the recipient of the 2016 Professional Prix de Rome in Architecture by the Canada Council, one of the oldest and most prestigious prizes in architecture, created to recognize outstanding achievement in Canadian architecture. Her practice has been using the prize to support their research project entitled 'The Next Green - Innovation in Sustainable Housing', which entails travel to Scandinavia and Germany to study sustainable housing precedents and research for northern climates - more info here. Dubbeldam's broad areas of study include a focus on innovative sustainable design as an architectural driver, exploring how architects in Nordic countries set new standards for sustainable buildings while developing a unique spatial and artistic architectural language in which energy efficiency and design merge seamlessly. Heather will be presenting her firm's Prix de Rome research to date as well as a selection of her firm's past and current project that are influenced by this ongoing research.

Public Programming at the CGS Farmer's Market - OAA Special Funding

NOSA organized a day of public programming at the City of Greater Sudbury Farmer's Market on Saturday September 30, 2017.

The proposed date was selected to align with World Architecture Day. World Architecture Day celebrated on the first Monday in October, was initiated by the Union International des Architects (UIA) in 2005 and, not coincidently, occurs the same day as World Habitat Day established by the United Nations in 1989. This date was particularly favourable as the end of September is a peak period for produce and attendance at the farmer's market. In addition, NOSA student members attending Laurentian University's McEwen School of Architecture had returned for the academic semester and participated in the event series.

For the public programming at the farmer's market, NOSA prepared large panels that showcased the work we have done as a local society over the past 4 years. We also prepared and performed design activities for children, youth and families. It was a fun and engaging day that demonstrated NOSA's aptness for architectural advocacy. It demonstrated a sense of cooperation and a collegial spirit to those within the profession and outside of it. Furthermore, the planning process for public programming provided the opportunity for NOSA members to work together, strengthening links among society members, and built the capacity within NOSA to organize local events.

The market provided a fantastic venue for NOSA members to interact with our community, local and regional vendors and other not-for-profit organizations. It's location in the downtown core provided excellent exposure to a traffic count of more than 50,000 average annual daily trips and a synergy with the nearby arena, park, restaurants, city hall and the McEwen School of Architecture.





Laurentian School of Architecture Bursary

In 2014, NOSA approved a motion to contribute towards the newly opened McEwen School of Architecture at Laurentian University. An agreement was signed with LU and NOSA provided \$9,000 that was put towards a student bursary fund. In 2015, it was agreed upon to continue to contribute to this bursary, by providing LU an additional \$1000 per year moving forward.

This year the endowment was valued at \$360.00 and the Northern Ontario Architects Award for the 2016-2017 academic year was given to MSOA student, Kristina Hakala.

ENDOWMENT SUMMARY 8011171

Opening balance: \$9,000.00 Interest re-invested: \$151.73 New Contributions: \$1,000.00 Closing balance: \$10,151.73

AWARD SUMMARY

Opening balance: \$0.00 Interest: \$360.00 Additional contributions: \$0.00 Scholarship awarded 2016-2017: (\$360.00) Closing balance: \$0.00

SEE ATTACHED ENDOWMENT REPORT FROM LAURENTIAN UNIVERSITY.

Continuing Education

In 2017 NOSA organized and promoted a few continuing education seminars in Sudbury, where members came together as a group for these sessions at the McEwen School of Architecture.

<u>City of Greater Sudbury – Downtown Event Centre</u>

The City of Greater Sudbury has a number of large scale projects under development; one of which is the new Events Centre and Arena. The numerous feasibility studies, business cases and the award winning Downtown Master Plan developed by Urban Strategies outlined the need and suitability for this centre to be located in Downtown Sudbury. However, the City and the Councillors voted to have it located on the periphery of the City, to align itself with a private developers interests. Prior to the vote, NOSA felt the urgency, alongside many Sudburians to urge the City to locate the Centre downtown and prepared a letter that was sent to the Mayor, all councillors and the media.

SEE ATTACHED LETTER.

Monthly Meetings and Get Togethers

Ongoing dialogue is important to keep up the momentum within NOSA. A group of committed members get together once a month to work on our priorities, steps moving forward and most recently have worked on the Special Funding Applications and the Local Society Chairs Workshop. We are also engaged in collaborating with the Sudbury Design Society as we move forward into 2018.

2017 OAA Landmark Award

In 2016, NOSA nominated St. Mary's Ukrainian Church, located in Sudbury, ON for the OAA Landmark Award. The submission package was prepared by NOSA members, through research, interviewing the Architect, John Stefura and also by consultation with the church community. St. Mary's Ukrainian Church was awarded the 2016 OAA Landmark Award! It was a special tribute to John Stefura, his family and the Ukrainian Community; particularly because John has since passed away.

In keeping with the honour and excitement the 2016 award garnered, NOSA once again engaged our members for input on another building worthy of the award and we nominated The Fielding Memorial Chapel of St. Mark, Thornloe University, Sudbury, ON by Arthur Townend & Carl Skerl, Stefura & Baleshta Architects.

The Thorneloe University Community was excited by the award and organized a celebration on Thursday, November 9, 2017. Members of local government, the Arch Diocese as well as local media and the community at large were invited and attended. The event had a great turn out and was well received. The award garnered media coverage and recognition for the building and the Northern Ontario Society of Architects, as well as creating architectural discourse among the community.



Below is text from the Award Submission, prepared by Mark Baechler.

The excellence of architect Arthur Townend's chapel design is unmistakeable to those that have experienced it. Since its construction by the Anglican Church in 1968, this small structure has provided a sacred space to students at Thorneloe and Laurentian Universities.

On a campus defined by its rocky hilltops, the chapel occupies the highest elevation. Arriving at its entrance at the top of the hill, a surprising thing happens: visitors descend back into the earth as the thick triangular concrete walls of the structure reach upward as an extension of the hilltop. From this protected recess, visitors pass through the doors into the chapel and encounter an intimate space filled with the presence of transcendent blue light.

Barely large enough to fit 14 chairs and an altar, the intimate nature of the sanctuary parallels the intimate knowledge required to read the embedded religious symbolism within the architecture. A series of seven concrete walls, placed in an ascending spiral formation, enclose this one-room building. The entrance is

located at the point of greatest contrast between the lowest and highest walls. The later wall points directly to the east, to the rising sun and to the prophesized returning messiah. The seven walls recall the seventh day of creation, described in the Book of Genesis as the Sabbath, when God rested. In Revelations, the last book of the Christian Bible, salvation for the church takes place following the seventh trumpet call by the seventh angel.

Light enters the sanctuary through stained glass openings placed between the concrete walls. The movement of the sun from east to west transforms the colour of the light in the sanctuary. In the early morning the light is coloured a deep blue. At midday, it is cyan, and in the early evening, it is yellow. The changing atmosphere in the sanctuary links worshippers to the cyclical movement of the heavens.

The architectural quality and conceptual clarity of The Fielding Memorial Chapel of St. Mark place it among the finest buildings in Ontario. Its use as a case study building by architectural students at Laurentian University School of Architecture is further evidence of its importance to current and future generations.

Architectural Credits: Architect: Townend Stefura and Baleshta Architects Arthur Townend, Carl Skerl and John Stefura

Structural Engineer: Mel Sekerak Engineer Contractor: Neil Smith Construction Ltd.

ENDOWMENT REPORT MAY 1 2016 - APRIL 30 2017

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Northern Ontario Architects Award

ENDOWMENT SUMMARY	8011171
Opening balance:	\$9,000.00
Interest re-invested:	\$151.73
New Contributions:	\$1,000.00
Closing balance:	\$10,151.73

AWARD SUMMARY

Opening balance:	\$0.00
Interest:	\$360.00
Additional contributions:	\$0.00
Scholarship awarded 2016-2017:	(\$360.00)
Closing balance:	\$0.00

PAYOUT

The Laurentian University's Board of Governors has approved an endowment payout of 4% for 2017-18. This year, your endowment fund will generate (4%) \$406.07 for a total

payout of \$406.07

Ms. Amber Salach Northern Ontario Society of Architects 255 Larch St Sudbury, ON P3B 1M2

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Thank you for making an impact. Here. Now. Forever



thank you



Sudbury, Ontario Canada



His Worship Mayor Brian Bigger Members of Council Ron Henderson, Special Advisor to the CAO City of Greater Sudbury

June 16, 2017

Re: Greater Sudbury Sports and Entertainment Centre

Success in public office demands a bold yet balanced blend of enlightened leadership and sound management. Architects hold a similar trust, often called upon by those in office to help shape our communities, our public domain. It is the opinion of NOSA members, through our professional expertise and experience that the proposed Events Centre should be located in the downtown core.

History writes of successes in the public domain, and for the City of Greater Sudbury there are several to note. For those making Sudbury home in the early 1900's, community leaders balanced work in the mines and on the rails with a connection to the natural beauty of the Canadian Shield. A streetcar line bonded Downtown with Copper Cliff and Ramsey Lake, allowing access to work, commerce and recreation. It is heartening today that we have community leadership that is again building on this history with the Elgin Greenway.

Inspired by the vision of a connected community rooted in a rich tradition of natural resources and a spectacular natural environment, our leaders have made a culture of health a sustained priority for over a generation. The regreening of Sudbury and the continuing improvement of air and water quality have been balanced with a vision to have the City serve a Hub for health services in the North. Health practitioners are now fully trained here and practices flourish in our region. Our tradition of hospitality has also enabled patients from remote communities to be brought here for treatment and rehabilitation, and an emerging era of research in health sciences is well under way.

Our leaders have also developed a global outreach in our training, college and university programs which have served to deeply enrich the cultural diversity, hospitality and respectfulness of our community.

Leadership vision has also provided us with projects such as the McEwen School of Architecture which is brilliantly set within the living lab of Downtown where students learn first-hand about the challenges and rewards of designing and building in our community and others akin to it in the North around the world. The interweaving of First Nations, Anglophone and Francophone cultures, languages and traditions is also serving to guide the path of this project to become an international leader in architectural education.

Concurrent with the architectural school, and soon to be a neighbour to it on Elgin Street downtown, the Place des Arts exemplifies collaborative leadership in the Francophone arts community, bringing together a whole host of talent in a breathtaking multi-functional creative facility, continuing to build on our strengthening sense of what is means and feels to be of Sudbury.



The successes flowing from all of these leadership decisions have served together to shape Sudbury as a remarkable community in the North and Sudburians as uniquely hospitable, intrepid, creative, tenacious, respectful people.

So, as with the forging of the early bonds of Downtown with the mines and Ramsey Lake, the opening of the Sudbury Arena by His Worship Mayor Beaton and Council in 1951 provided a place for the community to gather for sports and events, a further affirmation of the importance of public places as part of a Sudburian's experience Downtown. A new Events Centre Downtown is the next chapter in the written history of successes in the public domain that define and celebrate Sudbury.

Your Worship and Members of Council, we trust that the rich tradition of successful leadership outlined above will serve as inspiration in defining a path forward for this most significant project. Your consideration, understanding and conclusion that the Events Centre is best suited in the Downtown of Sudbury will shape the experience of Sudbury and Sudburians for the next generation.

Respectfully Submitted,

Northern Ontario Society of Architects

Located in 14 communities across Ontario, the Local Architectural Societies are the regional chapters of the OAA, providing opportunities for dialogue between local architects and the wider architectural community. The **Northern Ontario Society of Architects** is led by a group of architects from across Northern Ontario. With a constituent group of 34 members and a geographical reach ranging from locations such as Sudbury, Parry Sound, Timmins, Manitoulin Island, NOSA provides a venue for dialogue between local architects and our Northern communities, where we deliver opportunities for leadership, continuing education and community outreach.

http://www.oaa.on.ca/society/northern-ontario



Niagara Society of Architects Annual Report 2017

Chair:	Ian Ellingham	
Vice Chair:	Melissa Cohen-White	
Treasure:	Larisa Brodsky	
Secretary:	Vacant	

Summary:

The main activities for the year consisted of providing continuing education opportunities for the membership, along with developing and prioritizing initiatives for future years.

Monthly meetings have incorporated continuing education sessions relating to insurance and claims issues within the profession. Presentations given in January by Candace Pietras, Hub International and in November by Barbara Ross, Prodemnity Insurance, highlighted situations that can lead to costly claims. An urban design presentation asked the question, why aren't all building beautiful? This was given by the Chair of the Niagara Society of Architects, Ian Ellingham. Industry product representatives spoke on various subjects.

The membership was surveyed relative to their priorities, and to assist in the development of a marketing plan to reflect issues unique to the Niagara Region. Other recommendations are as follow; each meeting will have outside speakers; two events will be planned each year to promote architecture in the area and the website will be updated to be an educational resource to the local community and promote member architects. The Niagara Society will work more closely with the OAA regarding RFP issues as public institutional organizations are major employers in the Niagara Region for local architects.

Membership:

Monthly meetings average 10-12 members with numbers increasing during special events.

Special Funding Updates:

Marketing and promotional initiatives where started, but funding requests were not made for this year.

Northwestern Ontario Society of Architects – 2017 Year in Review

NWOSA:

- the society met five times over the past year, inclusive of the president's visit.
- NWOSA members are involved in several community and oaa committees such as "Clean Green Beautiful", "Doors Open", OAAAS, OAA Discipline and Practice Committee.
- NWOSA reps met with the city to discuss the new design approach to the Magnus Theatre "Parkette Design"
- discussions are on-going with our web administrator to revamp the website and make it mobile compatible.
- NWOSA has agreed to join the partnership to pursue the 2020 Heritage Conference for Thunder Bay. The partnership includes City of T.Bay, Ft. Wm. First Nation, Lakehead University History Dept., T. Bay Historical Museum and the N. Ont. Archives Assoc.
- at the request of the Heritage Advisory Committee, NWOSA has appointed a member volunteer to sit on the planning committee.
- a committee was struck to investigate the prospect of a NWOSA sponsored film festival that could be a spin off of another event such as the Bay Street Film Festival, Doors Open, etc. This would be the basis for a NWOSA special funding request to the OAA.

Respectfully submitted,

Brad Green m.arch, oaa, mraic



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Tony Sproul	Vice chair		
Jayant Gupta	Treasurer		
Alma Rahmani	Secretary		
ORSA Board Members			
Darryl Hood	Registrar		
OAA, & Carleton University Liaison			
Gord Erskine	OAA Representative		
Toon Dreessen	OAA Representative (Former)		
John Stephenson	OAA President		
Lucie Fontain	Carleton University Representative		

Contributors:

Monique St. Pierre, Alexandra Blanchet, Tamara Khou, Paolo Marinelli, Edward Solodukhin, Camille Baello

ORSA executive:

Congratulations to everyone on the ORSA executive committee and our contributors for your achievements of 2017. As with previous years, ORSA continues to make strong progress in promoting the values of our profession. The ORSA volunteers, including those who sit on the Executive, and those who organized professional events (such as Architecture Week) and activities this past year should be proud of their accomplishments. We appreciate the time and valuable contributions you have made to the local architectural community and the important connections you have made with our colleagues in the construction industry.

This year was a big year in volunteer turn out, specifically with those involved in our annual Architecture Week Festival. We welcomed Monique St. Pierre, Alexandra Blanchet, and Tamara Khou to the OAW team. We also wanted to acknowledge the return of Paolo Marinelli, Camille Baello and Edward Solodukhin as instrumental members of the Architecture Week team. We hope to continue this trend with OAW'18 and with all our other initiatives this coming year.

Report on activities

1. Annual General Meeting:

The 2017 AGM was held on May 15th at the Mill Street Pub and members heard a summary of activities and events from ORSA executive, participated in a discussion of ORSA initiatives and values. News on upcoming vacant executive positions was also promoted. Jayant Gupta, as Treasurer, provided an update of ORSA financial state and the hopes for the upcoming year, and Darryl Hood provided information regarding membership. Updates on upcoming events such as the Charity Golf tournament and OAW'17 were also provide. The key note speaker for the night's event was the new General Manager of Planning, Infrastructure and Economic Development with the City of Ottawa – Stephen Willis. Stephen introduced himself to our community and laid out some of his major initiatives and goals in his new position

2. Golf Tournament:

This year's ORSA Building Links Golf Tournament was held on June 27th to great success at the Canadian Golf Club. Through this event, ORSA was able to donate over \$11,000 to the Children's Hospital of Eastern Ontario.

3. OAW / RAIC Festival Local Social:

This year the OAA and the RAIC teamed up to present the annual conference in Ottawa as part of the 150 Celebrations. The members of the Ottawa Regional Society of Architects warmly invited all conference attendees and their guests to join them at Zibi's La Shoppe venue; a historic and former industrial space which has been converted into one of Ottawa/Gatineau's most unique venues. With unique views of the Ottawa skyline and the Ottawa River, this venue – which is part of the future Zibi Developments – is poised to be one of the world's most sustainable communities and Canada's First One Planet Certified community. The event featured performances by local musicians, drinks and hors d'oeuvres by local restaurants. Shuttle buses operated between the venue and the conference hotel throughout the evening

4. ORSA Ottawa Architecture Week:

Building on the hard work of 2016, the 2017 Ottawa Architecture Week Festival continued that success. This year's Festival was an in-depth exploration on the role of immerging technologies in the development of our city today and into the future.

With a talented and focused team of volunteers, the OAW'17 committee successfully put on a series of fantastic events. OAW'17 was clearly more refined in the delivery of its programs, again leveraging the great partners that were part of the festival. This included Carleton University, the National Capital Commission, Library & Archives Canada, Pechakucha and various tours. As with past Festivals, our most successful event was our Panel discussion. This year's panelists included: Jennifer Mallard, Senior Associate, Diamond Schmidt Architects who lead the development of the NAC expansion and redevelopment; Dr. Stephen Fai, Associate Professor, Carleton University & Director of CIMS Lab; Lee-Michael Pronko, Cofounder, Milieu Technologies; and Guy Laflamme, Executive Director, Ottawa 2017 Bureau. The event was moderated by Alan Neal, host of CBC Radio's All in a Day Program. The event was sponsored and held at Library & Archives Canada.

Preparations for ORSA Architecture Week 2018 have now begun, again under the direct leadership of the ORSA Executive and will continue to move Architecture Week in the strong direction that was initiated years ago and that now seems to have gotten great exposure and momentum. For more information on the 2017 festival please visit http://oawfest.com/.

5. Donations and Financial Support:

ORSA financially supported the following organizations and initiatives in 2016/17:

- CHEO;
- Ottawa Architects 150 project on architectural genealogy of Ottawa;
- The Carleton University Forum Lecture Series held at the National Gallery of Canada;
- Carleton University ORSA "student of the year" award;

6. 2018 Objectives:

Of our 2017 objectives, ORSA made progress in the following:

- Continued to strengthen the Architecture Week and improve the advocacy and social impact to the Ottawa public and local architects.
- ORSA Design Excellence Awards will be presented to the Membership.
- ORSA continued to have ongoing dialogue with the City of Ottawa with regards to procurement and professional rating systems. Concerns of the local profession were reiterated to Citystaff.
- Develop initiatives that support and encourage more women architects as managers, partners and owners in the profession. The initiates will provide support and guidance to young architects who wish to look at firm ownership / management as part of their career goals.

7. Report on Finances

Please see attached ORSA 2017 Annual Financial Report. Our current assets consist of the following:

٠	CDN \$79,466.70	-	TD Checking Account
٠	CDN \$35,000.00	-	Cashable GIC Account
	\$114,466.70	-	Total



December 18, 2017

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St. Lawrence Valley Society of Architects SLVSA

The membership continues to seek out avenues to fulfil our mandate for the promotion of architecture to the public in partnership with other initiatives.

Jointly with the Northumberland Durham Society, SLVSA continues to provide funding for the Societies of Architects Prize to the top design by a graduating Architectural Technology Diploma student at Loyalist College.

We also continue to support the local Belleville Film Festival, sponsoring the screening of architecturally related films. This "community oriented documentary film festival" is to take place in March of 2018.

At the AGM in April a new board was elected with Kristin James and Sam Laffin jointly assuming the role of Society Chair, Brian Hierlihy as Treasurer, and Trevor Timpany continuing his role as Secretary.

The OAA President's Dinner was held on September 6th with 28 members on hand to welcome OAA President John Stephenson and Executive Director Kristi Doyle.

Monthly membership meetings have continued to take place on the second Thursday of each month. We have put an emphasis on intern attendance and encouraged the current membership to invite interns from their offices. Over the second half of the year we have seen increased interest and hope to see the SLVSA intern membership increase in the 2018 renewal.

In the last quarter of the year we opened up the monthly meeting to lectures by SLVSA members. Brian Hierlihy gave a talk about his office's restoration work on the Strutt House at the November meeting. We are planning a mix of informal and more structured meetings through the first half of 2018.

Respectfully,

Sam Laffin, OAA and Kristin James, OAA Co-Chair, SLVSA Co-Chair, SLVSA Principal, Sam Laffin Architect The Trent Society of Architects TRENT

January 10, 2018

John Stephenson c/o Pearl Chan Ontario Association of Architects 1 Duncan Mill Road Toronto, Ontario M3B 1Z2

Dear Miss Chan,

The Trent Society of Architects as we do every year alongside the Northumberland Durham Society of Architects, we hosted the 2017 OAA President's Dinner in Peterborough. One of our long-standing members, Ken Trevelyan is transitioning into retirement, and another of our sole practitioners, Neil Campbell is expanding his practise!

In the fall, our Society gathered to discuss recent changes in the architectural landscape in our area: the Province of Ontario has released the Places to Grow Act, the City of Peterborough has begun the process of updating (some say creating) the Official Town Plan, and the City of Peterborough has hired a new Director of Planning. We as a Society feel it is our responsibly as Architects to better promote an awareness of what we do and can do, and are undertaking a density study to better understand the requirements laid out by the Province, and ultimately to better inform the City of Peterborough on future development and expansion in drafting their official plan.

In the past year, we have had three new (young) members join our Society. We are hopeful that the energy and eagerness characteristics of these interns will continue to spark bigger and brighter ideas, and keep our Society motivated and competitive.

Regards,

Adam Patrick Brady Chair of the Trent Society of Architects

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A message from the 2017 TSA Executive

It was another busy year promoting the importance of architecture in the city and supporting the professional development of our members. It's been a year of strengthening existing initiatives, as well as introducing new ones. The following pages summarize the activities of our Society for 2017, as well as highlight the many volunteers, sponsors, donors, partners and collaborators that have made all of this possible.

This year's highlights include:

Lectures

6 forums, lectures and panel discussions - ranging from public debates on city issues such as the integration of art and architecture, to more industry-specific reflections on the experiences of emerging practices. Two of these forums were done in partnership with the Toronto Design Offsite Festival.

All lecture attendees for 2017 were issued certificates of participation meeting the OAA requirements for structured learning hours. We look forward to continuing these certificates as part of our 2018 lectures.

Building Tours

Our members-only, architect-led Building Tours were as popular as ever featuring three new buildings in the city: Centre for Innovation and Engineering; Goldring Centre for High Performance Sports; and the Daniels Building. Two of the tours, Goldring and Daniels, were completely sold out.

Walking Tours

Now in its 8th year, the Toronto Architecture Tours expanded with the introduction of a new tour on the architecture and design of University Avenue. The financial support from the OAA also allowed us to increase advertising and we saw an increase in attendees for both private tours (70%) and public tours (22%).

Student Outreach

A TSA Student Workshop on architectural drawings as part of the Skilled Trades Expo for over 150 secondary students as part of the TDSB Newcomer Services – Welcoming Communities program.

We continue working on the development of a special architecture walking tour for high-school students which meets the Ontario curriculum and will be offered for free for all schools in the GTA. Currently we provide a free version of our regular walking tours to any class interested in taking one.

Advocacy

On June 7, the TSA issued a letter adding its support to the American Institute of Architects' declaration on the Paris Agreement, issued in response to the White House decision to withdraw the United States from the landmark Agreement.

Movie Nights

Two Movie Nights screening documentaries touching architectural issues - Double Happiness and The Destruction of Memory with approximately 25 attendees each (of which 50% were members of the public and 50% TSA members).

Doors Open

Our partnership with Doors Open Toronto continued to grow with three distinct programming contributions by the TSA: a special tour on Modernism on the Grand Avenue offered 8 times during the weekend; the Architects' Talk, a panel discussion on What is Canadian Architecture which served as the opening event to this year's DOTO; and the Architects' Studio Tour - a self-directed open house of various studios throughout the city.

TSA SOCIAL 2017

This year's TSA Year End Social was held at the Goldring Centre for High Performance Sports and it was our biggest one yet with roughly 500 attendees and dozens of members participating in the building tours led by MJMA, Patkau and Blackwell.

It was also a year of change for our Society's leadership, as we said good bye to our Executive Administrator Max McQuinn who provided years of support to numerous initiatives. We wish him the best of luck in his new endeavors!

We also welcomed new executive members (Mélisa Audet, Alana Young, and Ana-Francisca de la Mora), elected a new chair (Maria Denegri) and vice-chair (Megan Torza), and welcomed new staff (Joël León and Jocelyn Squires). We want to take this opportunity to thank Past Chair Jason Dobbin for his leadership and dedication, and look forward to his continued support and advice as we continue our work.

We look forward to another successful year!

Maria Denegri Chair | Toronto Society of Architects

2017 YEAR IN REVIEW

2017.01.19

TODO | Designing for Inclusivity

TSA Urban Affairs Forum as part of Toronto Offsite Design Festival / Panel Discussion

SPEAKERS | Robert Allen (MJMA), Andrea Lacalamita (InContext Videos), Raja Moussaoui (InContext Videos), Andrea Oppedisano (City of Toronto) MODERATOR | Joe Lobko (DTAH)

2017.01.22

TODO | Living Well

TSA IDEAS Forum as part of Toronto Offsite Design Festival / PechaKucha

SPEAKERS | Amanda Rataj, Andrei Zerebecky, Cole Swanson, Deena DelZotto, Rachel Kimel, Gaelle Le Couster, Jake Whillans, Janna Levitt, Mauricio Navarro, Myung-Sun Kim, Oscar Kwong, Tania Love

2017.02.15 130th Annual General Meeting

2017.03.29

New Design & Technology Synergies Forum

TSA Urban Affairs Forum in partnership with Ryerson University's Design Fabrication Zone / Panel Discussion

SPEAKERS | Mark Cichy (DIALOG), Mania Meibodi (ETH, Zurich), Renn Scott (Ryerson Fashion Zone), Tom Bessai (DFZ / Denegri Bessai Studio)

2017.05.06 - 2017.09.30

Walking Tour: Towers

2 hour architecture walking tour offered every Saturday from May to October

TOUR GUIDES | Daniel Gaito, Daniela Cojocariu, Emad Ghattas, Eric Gertner, Harmen deVries

2017.05.06 - 2017.09.30

Walking Tour: Art & Performance

2 hour architecture walking tour offered every Saturday from May to October

TOUR GUIDES | Kristine Morris, Judy Jacobs, Derek McCallum, Stephanie Thomas, Eric Gertner

2017.05.07 - 2017.10.01

Walking Tour: Campus & Culture

2 hour architecture walking tour offered every Sunday from May to October

TOUR GUIDES | Pamela Cottrell, Lesley Thompson, Harmen deVries, Karen Sekikawa

2017.05.17

The Art of Leadership in Project Management

TSA Technical Lecture as part of Architects@ Work Canada

SPEAKER | Ahmad-Shah Duranai

2017.05.26

Doors Open | Architects' Talk: What is Canadian Architecture?

Doors Open keynote event in partnership with Doors Open Toronto

SPEAKERS | A.J. Diamond, Omar Gandhi, Valerie Gow, Murray Legge, Susan Scott, Pierre Thibault MODERATOR | Beth Kapusta

2017.05.27 - 2017.05.28

Doors Open | Open Studio

Studio open house in partnership with Doors Open Toronto

PARTICIPATING STUDIOS | atelier rzlbd, Barbora Vokac Taylor Architect, Denegri Bessai Studio, Design Workshop Architects, DIALOG, DTAH, FOLD (Vanessa Fong Architect, Heather Asquith Architect, and Taylor Architecture Group), Hariri Pontarini Architects, Lia Maston Architect / FIRMA, No.9 @ ArtHub27, Stacklab, SvN Architects + Planners, Teeple Architects

2017.05.27 - 2017.05.28

Doors Open | Modernism on the Grand Avenue: 50s, 60s and 70s on University Avenue

A special 1 hour architecture walking in partnership with Doors Open Toronto offered 8 times during the DOT weekend TOUR GUIDES | Daniel Gaito, Kristine Morris, Daniela a Cojocariu, Emad Ghattas ASSISTANTS | Lesley Thompson, Pamela Cottrell, Harmen deVries, Derek McCallum

2017.06.20

Emerging

TSA IDEAS Forum

SPEAKERS | blackLAB architects inc.,

Denegri Bessai Studio, Atelier Kastelic Buffey Inc, Workshop Architecture Inc, Tact Architect Inc, Building Arts Architects Inc, raw Design inc, Dubbeldam Architecture + Design, Altius Architecture Inc.

2017.06.21

Tour: Centre for Engineering Innovation and Entrepreneurship

Montgomery Sisam Architects and Feilden Clegg Bradley Studios

TOUR GUIDES | Robert Davies (MSA), Jason Dobbin (MSA), Shannon Wiley (MSA)

2017.07.05

Tour: Goldring Centre for High Performance Sport

Patkau Architects Inc. and MacLennan Jaunkalns Miller Architects Ltd.

TOUR GUIDES | Aaron Letki (MJMA), Viktor Jaunkalns (MJMA), David Bowick (Blackwell), Shannon Hilchie (Blackwell)

2017.08.01

Tour: Daniels Building

NADAAA and Adamson Associates Architects

TOUR GUIDES | Katherine Faulkner (NADAAA), Richard Lee (NADAAA), Claudina Sula (Adamson Associates)

2017.08.27 - 2017.10.01

Walking Tour: University Avenue

2 hour architecture walking tour offered every Sunday from September to October

TOUR GUIDES | Kristine Morris, Joël León

2017.09.15

Architecture and Public Art

TSA Urban Affairs Forum

PANELISTS | Ana-Francisca de la Mora (IBI Group), Laura Berazadi (Metrolinx), Paul Raff (Paul Raff Studio)

MODERATOR | Brad Golden

2017.09.28

Mix & Mingle Network

In collaboration with ARIDO Greater Toronto Chapter and IFMA Toronto Chapter

2017.10.17

The Destruction of Memory

TSA Movie Night

2017.10.24

Double Happiness

TSA Movie Night

2017.11.15

TDSB Student Workshop

Part of the TDSB Newcomer Services – Welcoming Communities program

WORKSHOP LEADS |Keltie McLaren, Meaghan Burke, Joël León

2017.11.24 OAA President's Visit

2017.12.08 **TSA SOCIAL 2017** Goldring Centre for High Performance Sport

URBAN AFFAIRS FORUMS

LEADS | Maria Denegri, Megan Torza

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LEAD | Bindya Lad

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2017 VOLUNTEERS

TSA EXECUTIVE 2017

CHAIR | Maria Denegri VICE-CHAIR | Megan Torza TREASURER | Charles Lau PAST CHAIR | Jason Dobbin EXECUTIVE | Heather Dubbeldam EXECUTIVE | Bindya Lad EXECUTIVE | Bindya Lad EXECUTIVE | Kevin McIntosh EXECUTIVE | Adam Thom EXECUTIVE | Adam Thom EXECUTIVE | Barbora Vokac-Taylor EXECUTIVE | Barbora Vokac-Taylor EXECUTIVE | Alana Young EXECUTIVE | Mélisa Audet EXECUTIVE | Ana-Francisca de la Mora

ADVISORY | Antonio Gómez-Palacio ADVISORY | Meg Graham ADVISORY | Joe Lobko ADVISORY | David Sisam

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR | Anthony Lombardo EXECUTIVE ADMIN. | Joël León EXECUTIVE ADMIN. | Jocelyn Squires

Living Well

SPEAKERS | Amanda Rataj, Andrei Zerebecky, Cole Swanson, Deena DelZotto, Rachel Kimel, Gaelle Le Couster, Jake Whillans, Janna Levitt, Mauricio Navarro, Myung-Sun Kim, Oscar Kwong, Tania Love

TSA MOVIE NIGHTS

LEAD | Charles Lau VOLUNTEER | Ralph Holmes

DOORS OPEN

LEADS | Adam Thom, Barbora Vokac-Taylor, Joël León, Kevin McIntosh

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Special thank you to all Doors Open Toronto volunteers who assisted in our programming initiatives throughout the weekend!

SUMMER BUILDING TOURS

LEADS | Barbora Vokac-Taylor, Alana Young

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Daniels Building

TOUR GUIDES | Katherine Faulkner (NADAAA), Richard Lee (NADAAA), Claudina Sula (Adamson Associates)

TORONTO ARCHITECTURE TOURS

LEADS | Joël León, Kevin McIntosh TOURS COORDINATOR | Marta O'Brien

Towers Tour

TOUR GUIDES | Daniel Gaito, Daniela Cojocariu, Emad Ghattas, Eric Gertner, Harmen deVries

Arts and Performance

TOUR GUIDES | Kristine Morris, Judy Jacobs, Derek McCallum, Stephanie Thomas, Eric Gertner

Culture and Campus

TOUR GUIDES | Pamela Cottrell, Lesley Thompson, Harmen deVries, Karen Sekikawa

University Avenue

TOUR GUIDES | Kristine Morris, Joël León

GUIDE MAP

LEAD | Heather Dubbeldam

VOLUNTEERS | Max McQuinn, Rob Shostak, Joe Lobko, Adam Thom, Joël León

MIX MINGLE NETWORK

LEAD | Jocelyn Squires

STUDENT WORKSHOPS

LEAD | Joël León

VOLUNTEERS | Keltie McLaren, Meaghan Burke

TSA SOCIAL 2017

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VOLUNTEERS | Ryan Falkenberg, Leah Gibling, Susan Kirshling, Hobeen Lee, Golnaz Karimi, Errol Knight, Varsha Kumar, Avinash John Davidson, Prachi Powale, Amit Patel, Priyanka Patel, Marie Vigne, Michelle Van Eyck, Alana Young

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TSA SOCIAL 2017

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Doors Open Toronto

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Toronto Design Offsite Festival

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Extended Report – 2017

Summary of Society Activities

This year the Society continued to move forward on its three primary mandates of outreach, activism and awareness. We continued to upgrade and update our webpage www.wrsarchitects.ca with refreshed content including society members, member firms, projects, listing of Society's activities as well commencing "online" registration of our special events and meetings. As an extension of this we expanded our social media footprint to include a Facebook page, Instagram and Twitter accounts which we used regularly throughout the year to post our activities. We have continued to liaise with local city officials having had a successful meeting early in the year with the City of Windsor Planning and Building department maintaining existing connections and expanding on our consultation with them. Our society continued to maintain strong links established the previous year with the Michigan Chapter of the Congress of New Urbanism, the MiCNU, following the very successful partnering with the CNU's national conference in Detroit. Our activism this year has focused primarily on the new Mega Hospital being planned for our region and specifically the site selection process. Our Society developed a sub-committee to specifically study the process and site in order to provide opinion to the municipality and provincial government. Our Society expanded its role in this years City of Windsor "Open Streets" event which involved the temporary closure of roadways to vehicular traffic, allowing people to use them for a host of healthy and fun physical activities. WRSA engaged the public directly during this event through our Ford City booth providing information cards and promoting Society events. We were honoured to once again support the Windsor International Film Festival (WIFF); the second largest volunteer-run film festival in Canada. Our society directly supported four films related to architecture and planning and were proud to be the "Official Downtown Windsor Champion" once again supporting the WIFF's permanent office and downtown screening venues. This year we expanded on this relationship with the WIFF to hold two very successful round table discussions following two of the film screenings with high profile panelists including Windsor's City Planner, Windsor-Tecumseh MPP, and City of Birmingham (Michigan) Mayor. The partnership was additionally fruitful this year as the Society and I personally, the Chair, were featured in a full page local news article providing information on the event and specifically on our "Spotlight on Architecture" series of films.

Summary of Special Funding Use and Outcome

WRSA received a total of \$15,000 of special funding last year. OAA Council approved funding to the WRSA to be allocated in accordance with four of our Society's requests for the following: \$6,000 to the support the WRSA's involvement in the Windsor International Film Festival, \$4,000 for a Student Engagement Event, \$4,000 for an Awards Night and \$1,000 for a Social Media Campaign and Web Page Advancement.

WRSA used all of the \$6,000 special funding plus an additional \$2,375, from the funds received for the Student Engagement Event and Awards night, for the WIFF to bring in four architecturally based films along with costs associated with two round table discussions following two of the film screenings which included student participation. This is the highlight of our community outreach each year and felt the additional funds were warranted in order to keep our priority in support of this event and specifically our "Spotlight on Architecture" and "Official Downtown



Windsor Champion" designation. The \$1,000 provided for Social Media Campaign and Web Page Advancement was used to directly support these initiatives as well to support the Open Streets Post Cards and Signage production. Remaining funding for the Student Engagement Event and Awards Night has not yet been expended as we are planning to hold these events in March/April 2018.

Detailed Monthly Report of Society Activities with Photographs

Along with monthly general meetings held in which an average attendance of approximately 15 to 20 members attended, the following is a listing of additional activities undertaken by the Society.

January

• Monthly General Meeting

February

• Meeting held with City of Windsor Planning & Building Department





March

• Monthly General Meeting

April

• Special Meeting – CAMPP Mega Hospital Presentation

May & June

• Monthly General Meeting

July & August

• No meetings held – summer break



September

• Open Streets – Ford City Hub





October

- World Architecture Day Settimo attend and meets with Percy Hatfield, MPP
- OAA President's Visit Meeting









November

• WIFF Spotlight on Architecture: Vancouver No Fixed Address, Integral Man, Citizen Jane Battle for the City, and Faces Places Film Screenings and two round table discussions;















December

Holiday Gathering at Sandwich Brewery Company Tasting & Private Tour







Respectfully Submitted,

Settimo Vilardi, M.Arch, OAA, WRSA Chair