



2024 Annual Report of the President



This year's President's Report was presented at the Annual Meeting on December 5, 2024, by President Carlos Hernandez, AIA, in accordance with Article 5, Section 5.01 of the AIA Long Beach/South Bay Bylaws.

Remembering Jeromy Rogan

As we close out 2024, I want to begin by remembering our dear colleague and Board member, Jeromy Rogan. Jeromy was a passionate architect, a generous mentor, and a vital part of our AIA LBSB community. His energy, humor, and creativity are deeply missed, but his legacy continues in the work we do and the lives he touched.

Programming Highlights

In 2024, we delivered on our mission to elevate and support the practice of architecture through programming that was diverse, meaningful, and—yes—abundant!

- We offered 43 Learning Units, including 28 Health, Safety, and Welfare (HSW) credits—an 18 LU increase from last year! So if you're still behind on your continuing education... don't blame us!
- Our programs spanned each of our core focus areas:
 - Advocacy
 - Environment
 - Professional Development
 - Member and Community Engagement

New in 2024, we launched two exciting initiatives:

- The inaugural Living on the Edge: Custom Residential Design Awards
- Our first Design Community Symposium and Exhibit

We also continued our commitment to supporting the next generation of architects by awarding four \$1,000 scholarships to:

- A high school senior
- A community college transfer student
- A continuing undergraduate student
- A graduate student

Additionally, we awarded four \$1,000 ARE scholarships to help our Associate members cover passed exams and associated fees.

Membership

As of December 31, 2024, our membership numbers are:

- 201 Architect members
- 110 Associate members
- 27 Emeritus members
- Includes 7 Fellows

We were proud to recognize the following individuals who became newly licensed architects this year:

- Sogol Alesafar
- Hudson Deaton
- Ji Hao
- Amarine Kitchens
- Annie Mi Young Lee
- James Leet
- Tamiko Wakabayashi
- Oswaldo Sandoval
- John Hernandez
- Gigi Shihata
- Terry Todd
- Rui Huang

Financial Overview

As of December 31, 2024, AIA LBSB holds \$108,098 in checking, savings, and a certificate of deposit, exceeding the requirement of our Bylaws 7.02.3.2 of holding 50% of operating expenses in reserves—demonstrating strong fiscal health and stability.

Acknowledgments

Our work would not be possible without the incredible dedication of our members, our volunteers, and the support of our generous 2024 sponsors. A special thank you to Carlos, whose commitment behind the scenes kept everything running smoothly.

2024 Sponsors – thank you for making our programs and events possible!

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Thank you for the honor of serving as your President in 2024. I'm proud of what we've accomplished together and excited for what's to come.

With appreciation,

Carlos Hernandez, AIA

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