IIDA HOSTS ITS 12TH ANNUAL INDUSTRY ROUNDTABLE

IIDA convened its annual Industry Roundtable in Chicago on September 5–7. Interior design experts and manufacturing leaders discussed issues facing all partners working in the profession of Interior Design. Facilitating the synergy between the interior design and manufacturing communities is considered an essential role of IIDA in enhancing the future of design.

Thanks to Corporate Member participants: Joe Frueh, AGATI; Amy Hill, Allsteel; Merrie Barnett, The Mohawk Group; Kieron Bux, RTT USA; Carrie Edwards, Shaw Contract Group; and Terry Makowski, Sherwin Williams.

Interior designer participants included: Jennifer Barnes, IIDA, RTKL Associates Inc.; Viveca Bissonnette, IIDA, CID, LEED AP, carrierjohnson + CULTURE; Gail Burns, FIIDA, WHR Architects; Valerie Frye, IIDA, BNIM Architects Inc.; Ali Khatibi, IIDA, CALLISON; and Brian Thornton, IIDA, AIA, Brian G. Thornton Design.

Brian Graham, IIDA, Graham Design LLC, facilitated the session, which was also attended by Allen Parker, Industry IIDA, 2008–2010 IIDA Vice President of Industry Relations, and Dennis Krause, IIDA Senior Vice President.

TAKE PART IN THE 2009 SUSTAINABLE LEADERSHIP AWARDS

Enter the 2009 Sustainable Leadership Awards for Design and Development. These awards honor outstanding contributions to sustainable design and development leadership, and winners will be featured in global outreach. Awards are given in Interior Design, Architectural Design and Development.

The awards are sponsored by IIDA, AIA Committees on the Environment and Interior Architecture, and CoreNet Global. Apply online now at www.iida.org. Nominations are open until Feb. 1.

For additional information, contact Martha Parker, Program Manager, at marthaparker@corenetglobal.org.

IIDA PRESENTS “GOING BEYOND GREEN” WITH 2008 SMART ENVIRONMENTS AWARD WINNERS

On Aug. 20, IIDA hosted the Webinar “Going Beyond GREEN,” sponsored by InterfaceFLOR and featuring the 2008 Smart Environments Award Winners. The session explored the lessons that the 2008 Smart Environments Award winners can teach about contextual sustainable design. More than 500 individuals joined IIDA for this interactive dialogue.

Holley Henderson, IIDA, LEED AP, IIDA Sustainability Forum Advisor, moderated the conversation with representatives from award-winning design firms CORE architecture + design, NBBJ and richard+bauer. Also participating were competition judges Collin Burry, IIDA, LEED AP, Principal, Gensler, San Francisco; Lewis J. Goetz, FIIDA, FAIA, President, Group Goetz Architects, Washington, D.C.; and Joe Pettipas, IIDA, IDC, ASID, ISP, LEED AP, Vice President, HOK Canada.
IIDA ANNOUNCES WINNERS OF THE FIRST ANNUAL GOVERNMENT DESIGN AWARDS

IIDA is pleased to announce the winners of the first annual IIDA Government Design Awards. NeoCon East attendees joined IIDA in honoring the winning projects on Oct. 29 at the Baltimore Convention Center. The awards honor outstanding government design in the categories of: Administration Buildings; Dormitories and Quarters; Healthcare; and Hospitality. The four winning projects are:

Firm: Dick & Fritsche Design Group
Project: Peoria Development and Community Services Building, Peoria, Ariz.

Firm: RTKL Associates
Project: Food and Drug Administration, Center for Drug Evaluation and Research, Building 51, Silver Spring, Md.

Firm: Trivers Associates
Project: The Old Post Office, St. Louis

Firm: Young + Co. Inc.
Project: Comprehensive Combat & Complex Casualty Care Complex, San Diego

The judges for the 2008 Government Design Awards were Deborah Loveridge, IIDA, Interior Designer with NAVFACSW, and IIDA Government Forum Advisor Mariann Schofield, IIDA, Senior Designer with USAFSPC.

IIDA MENTORING WEEK 2009:
HELP SHAPE THE FUTURE OF DESIGN

Designers are encouraged to plan now to host a pair of students for one day during the week of Feb. 2-6 as they experience firsthand a day in the life of a design professional. All designers are welcome to participate, whether currently practicing in a firm, as an educator or with a manufacturer. Application forms and more information can be found at www.iida.org or by e-mailing students@iida.org. Please submit mentor registration forms no later than Jan. 14. IIDA will confirm mentoring assignments by Jan. 21.

WINNER OF NEOCON EAST BOOTH DESIGN COMPETITION ANNOUNCED

IIDA has announced the winner of the annual IIDA Booth Design Competition at NeoCon East, a partnership with Contract magazine. The award winner was presented with a certificate at the show on Oct. 30.

The Creative Excellence award was presented to DIRTT Environmental Solutions.