



April 2015 Newsletter

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Welcome to Michigan Architectural Foundation's e-newsletter! If you experience problems viewing this email, please [click here](#) to view it on our website. This monthly publication connects architectural enthusiasts and supporters, educators, and the media with Michigan's architecture through feature stories about architectural treasures, and opportunities for you to participate in programs, lectures, events and tours.

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Donate to the Michigan Architectural Foundation

Michigan Architectural Foundation is dedicated to the promotion, perpetuation and preservation of architecture as a fine art. By serving as a visible resource for funding, information and educational programs, we increase the public's appreciation for architecture, which encourages cohesive, sustainable communities, increasing economic value, enriching experiences and adding beauty.

The Foundation relies on the support of corporate and individual sponsors, patrons and donors to fund its educational, scholarship and grant programs.

Please consider supporting our programs – [click here](#) for more information!

Feature Article: Historic Strathmore Gets New Life



Photo provided by Hamilton Anderson Associates

The redevelopment of the former Strathmore Hotel kicked off recently, with Detroit Mayor Mike Duggan and Sue Mosey of Midtown Detroit Inc. [Read more](#) about the project and Hamilton Anderson Associates' approach to the historic rehabilitation of the building into 129 residential units with street-level retail, and [click here](#) to read the Crain's Detroit Business interview with HAA's Doug Atkinson on the Strathmore.

**Register Now for the 2015 MAF Dumke Open
Monday June 21 at Western Golf and Country Club**

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West Michigan Design Week: May 6 - 11

West Michigan has a long history of design, and it's becoming a stronger and more vital part of our community. West Michigan Design Week celebrates the world-class work happening here and hopes to demonstrate the strategic and economic advantages of design thinking, increasing opportunities for our own designers, attracting new ones, and building connections between designers and our cultural, educational, and business communities.

[Click here for calendar of activities.](#)

[Click here to learn more about the event.](#)

'Rehab Addict' to save historic Detroit home



The Ransom Gillis house will get the "Rehab Addict" treatment. The 1876 house is one of the sole survivors in Detroit's historic Brush Park neighborhood. (Photo: Courtesy of Ben Gravel)

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Mlive Features Historic Theaters in Michigan Downtowns



The entrance and sign displaying upcoming events at Bohm Theater in downtown Albion, Mich., September 22, 2014. (Danielle Duval | MLive.com)

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AIA Michigan Architectural Foundation Speakers Bureau

Looking for a speaker for your business group, public service organization or professional association? Consider this - while all of us view and interact with our community's buildings, few of us understand the built environment like architects - and we want to share our insights.

The American Institute of Architects (AIA) is proud to announce a statewide Speakers Bureau of AIA members willing to speak to organizations just like yours.

You can schedule these complimentary presentations for your group by contacting the speaker. A brief description for each presentation is located on the AIA Michigan website - [click here](#).

Public Awareness Grants Are Available

The Michigan Architectural Foundation is dedicated to the promotion, perpetuation and preservation of architecture as a fine art. Our mission is Advancing Public Awareness and Understanding of how Architecture Enriches Life.

To this end, Public Awareness Grants are given out annually through AIA chapters in state of Michigan to raise the public awareness about architecture and reach out into the community.

The MAF Board meets 6 times a year to review applications. We have seen the bar raised high over the last few years and competition for the money has been healthy. By August last year, the available funds had been used up!!

[Click here to learn more and to apply!](#)

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