



# **NWRC 2014**

## **SAVE THE DATE**

"Building Bridges To The Future" Northwest Region Conference

May 8th-10th, 2014

Portland Hilton 921 SW Sixth Avenue

BELOW ARE THREE OF THE MANY PRESENTATIONS THAT WILL BE OFFERED AT THE NWRC

#### LEED 4.1 part 1:

A high level overview of what's new in LEEDv4. You will begin to understand the system and how it may impact your projects, including impact on the project specifications, project budgets, design



considerations, and design process. Learn about new aspects that may be a cause for celebration, or cause you to go kicking and screaming into the night.

Jessica Gracie-Griffin joined SERA in 2012 as LEED Coordinator, Jessica approaches each project with the belief that good design can improve our lives. She believes this is accomplished through careful consideration of the people who will inhabit a place, examination of the project's contextual narrative, and awareness of the resources required to create our built environment. She understands the goal of her architectural work as finding a harmony between ecology, technology, and beauty.

Jessica enjoys working with LEED and other certification programs because of the leverage they give clients and designers to achieve

greater performance goals and that they encourage integrated, research-based design. Obtaining her Master of Architecture from the University of Oregon, Jessica holds a Bachelor of Science in Mechanical Engineering from Trinity College, as well. She also considers her studies in Kyoto, Rome, and Istanbul to be her greatest influences.

# Bridge over troubled waters: Water-from research to policy to practice:

Four years ago, Central City Concern received a grant to identify regulatory barriers project teams would face when creating Living Buildings. In the undertaking, the Water Team found themselves doing more than just identifying barriers. Ultimately, the team's work resulted in passage of three alternate methods to the state building code and a house bill which legalized the use of rainwater and graywater in Oregon. Today, as a result of these policy changes, the team is celebrating completion of one of the largest rainwater collection projects in Oregon and now is in design of what will be the largest rainwater-to-potable systems ever built.



Lisa Petterson's work as an architect is focused on the development of projects with green building goals. Currently, she is working on four Living Buildings, including coordinating the team working on a grant whose goal is to provide solutions to the regulatory barriers preventing the achievement of Net-Zero Water. Lisa is a regular speaker on the subject of the Living Building Challenge and other green building topics and has been teaching design at the University of Oregon as an adjunct professor for the past ten years. Conferences and seminars she has spoken at include: LightFair, Solar Expo 2006, Focus the Nation, the Oregon Chapters of ASHRAE and IESNA, the Office of Sustainable Development's Green Building Program, the AIA Committee on the Environment and the Corvallis City Club. Lisa

is a part of the team awarded the Demonstrated Leadership Award at the 2007 Living Futures conference.

### Design/Build: a Bridge to Design Excellence:

How do you introduce Design Excellence into an institution that has a culture of project delivery based on the most bang for the buck? The Oregon Military Department (OMD) has honed the art of Design/Build to a very high level, and while the projects were being delivered in a responsible and cost-effective manner, the design quality of the projects was not achieving expectations. The confluence of the Design Excellence / Oregon Initiative, a visionary leader within OMD schooled in architecture, and an opportunity to build a number of new facilities throughout Oregon has resulted in award-winning projects that demonstrate responsible Design/Build delivery, integrated Design Excellence AND a cultural shift within the OMD organization. Recognizing that design creates value, that design excellence results in greater value to Oregon communities, OMD has evolved as a national leader in delivering projects through Design/Build that deliver more than "just a building".



**Donald J. Stastny**, a founder and CEO of StastnyBrun Architects, Inc. has been a practicing architect, urban designer, and facilitator for forty years, rebuilding communities, physically and culturally. Using design as a comprehensive and strategic tool, he works toward elevating the public's understanding and expectations of architecture locally, nationally, and internationally. Don has taken on a range of projects including the planning of neighborhoods, cities and regions, and the design of museums, multi-family housing, office buildings, historic renovations, and cultural centers. In addition, he has developed and designed over fifty national and international processes for competitions, commissions, and plans, many of which have become national models. He is a masterful facilitator as well, having worked with international governments, state agencies, city departments, tribal governments, and neighborhood associations.



COL Christian F. Rees is the Director of Installations for the Oregon National Guard and serves as the Deputy Brigade Commander, 82 BDE, Camp Withycombe, Clackamas, OR. COL Rees is a native of Pendleton, Oregon, and received his commission from Cornell University in Ithaca, New York. He holds a Masters of Architecture Degree from the University of Oregon, a Masters of Strategic Studies from the Army War College, and a Bachelor of Science Degree in Finance/Hospitality Management from Cornell University. COL Rees is also a graduate of the Command and General Staff Course and Advanced Warfighter Course at Ft. Leavenworth, KS, the Military Intelligence Officer Advanced Course, Ft. Huachuca, AZ, and the Aviation Officer Basic Course, Ft.

Rucker, AL. COL Rees has served in a variety of assignments throughout his military career including Platoon Leader, 4-229 Attack Helicopter Battalion; Platoon Leader, 2-6 Air Cavalry Squadron; Executive Officer, HHC, 11th AVN BDE; Intelligence Officer, 3-229th Attack Helicopter Battalion; Commander, Reconnaissance and Interdiction Detachment, ORARNG; Operations Officer, 641 MEDEVAC Battalion; Executive Officer, 641 MEDEVAC Battalion; Aviation Training Officer, JFHQ-ORNG; Aviation Training and Standardization Branch Chief, JFHQ-ORNG; Commander, 2-641 AVN REGT, and Commander, Oregon Training Center. COL Rees is Airborne qualified and a Senior Army Aviator. He is qualified in the AH-64 Apache, UH-60 Blackhawk, OH-58 Kiowa, UH-1 Iroquois, and C-12 Huron aircraft. COL Rees has deployed in support of OPERATION NOBLE EAGLE and OPERATION IRAQIFREEDOM. Awards include the Bronze Star Medal, Meritorious Service Medal, Army Commendation Medal w/ 2 oak leaf clusters, Army Achievement Medal, Army Reserve Component Achievement Medal, National Defense Service Medal, GWOT Service Medal, Armed Forces Reserve Medal w/ 'M' device, and Army Overseas Service Metal.