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APPLE AWARD 2007 RECIPIENT TOM SCHIFF



Above: Trustee Alice Weston introduced Apple Award Honoree Thomas R. Schiff

The Architectural Foundation of Cincinnati presents the Apple Award each year to an individual who has improved the built environment in a significant way. On May 2, the crystal apple was given to Thomas R. Schiff. His photography books have enhanced the reputation of his native city and benefit many local institutions.

The gala, which brought 300 people to the Hilton Netherland Plaza Hall of Mirrors, is the foundation's principal fund-raising event. Proceeds benefit AFC educational programs. Cole + Russell Architects was lead sponsor for the gala. Contributing sponsors were the co-chairs, Christine Schoonover and George Verkamp and Lightborne. Thomas L. Neyer, Jr. was master of ceremonies. AFC trustee and former Apple recipient Alice Weston introduced Tom Schiff, describing his books, which have increased awareness of Cincinnati architecture all over the world. And she noted his many philanthropic projects, including donating entire photographic laboratories to colleges for their students and endowing a room at the Cincinnati Art Museum specifically for photographic exhibits.

In his acceptance address, Schiff's challenge to the audience and to Cincinnati is summed up in this excerpt: "It is my hope and the purpose of this address to remind those gathered here that we need to continue embracing and expanding upon the tradition of imaginative and innovative architecture—that good architecture is itself a good investment that raises civic pride and encourages national interest. When the Contemporary Arts Center was finished, it attracted press and visitors from all over the world. Current projects, such as the renovation of Over the Rhine and development of the Banks, should be viewed as opportunities for the same display of civic pride and architectural imagination that this city has shown consistently in the past. It may be a tall order to turn Cincinnati into an architectural destination spot, but the more attention we pay to design, starting at the civic planning stage, the more we turn this city in that direction."

Tom Schiff is the 38th recipient of the foundation's most prestigious award, now known as the Alice and Harris Weston Apple Award.



Above (Top): David Arends, Cole + Russell Architects, the lead sponsor, Kristin Arends, Christine Schoonover, and George Verkamp, contributing sponsors and gala co-chairs

Above (Bottom): Brent Clark, B2B; Denise Guiducci and Alan Guiducci, Remax; Michael R. Breetz, HGC Construction; Brandon Smith, B2B; patron tableholders

APPLE AWARD NAMED FOR ALICE AND HARRIS WESTON

In recognition of their significant contributions to the foundation and to Greater Cincinnati, the foundation assigned the names of Alice and Harris Weston to its annual Apple Award for design excellence. Alice Weston has been an AFC trustee for two terms and she contributed her photographs for two AFC publications. Harris Weston is an attorney and civic leader whose interests include legal, political, and social justice issues.

Above: Gail Forberg, Thomas Neyer, Jr. and Mark Bernhardt



Above: President Michael Moose, Glaserworks; Rich Homan, Turner Construction; and trustee Keith Smith, Waltek Ltd. were patron table holders

Below: 2006 Apple recipient Dr. Stanley M. Kaplan (center) at the Cincinnati Art Museum table with Peter Haberkorn and Joyce Elkus



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*Previous Apple Award recipient



Above: President Michael Moose presents a certificate to past president Robert Gramann, who has been an active supporter for 25 years



Above (Top): 2007 ABC Award Day and Exhibition at the Main Public Library of Cincinnati and Hamilton County

Above (Bottom): Sue Ann Painter and Zoe Hardy presenting "Thinking Green"

ARCHITECTURAL FOUNDATION OF CINCINNATI CELEBRATES 25 YEARS

When the first annual meeting of the Architectural Foundation of Cincinnati was held March 4, 1982, there were 81 founding members. AFC celebrated its 25th anniversary on March 8, 2007 with a luncheon at the Bankers Club.

Founder and past president Robert Gramann reminisced about the early years. Robert Dorsey, a founder and the first president, discussed AFC's purpose, which was—and is—to enhance public awareness and appreciation for the built environment of Greater Cincinnati. He said that one early goal was educating professionals and the public about the advantages of sustainable architecture.

In 1987, AFC published a guide book to local architecture. Richard Krehbiel, the book designer and art director, talked about the process and donated several copies of the book to the foundation.

AFC has been volunteer-driven organization throughout its history. Past presidents are:

1982-83, Robert Dorsey, FAIA
1984, Robert Robertson
1985, Robert Gramann, FAIA
1986, Loren Poff, AIC
1987, Tom Tilsely, AIA
1988-89, Gary Herfel, Esq.
1990-91, Donald Junker, AIA

1992-93, Jack Hodell, AIA
1994-95, John Bentley, ASLA
1996-97, Michael Schuster, AIA
1998-99, John Rogers, AIA
2000-01, David S. Ross, AIA
2002-03, Richard Mellott, AIA
2004-05, Jay Chatterjee, Associate AIA

Michael Moose, AIA, is president for 2006-07. Christine Schoonover is vice president and next president. Sue Ann Painter has been the executive director since March 2003.

ARCHITECTURAL FOUNDATION OF CINCINNATI GIVES EDUCATIONAL GRANTS

The Architectural Foundation of Cincinnati is the principal supporter of Architecture By Children (ABC), a volunteer activity of the Cincinnati Chapter of AIA, which enables thousands of children in parochial, public, and private K-12 local schools to benefit from free in-school programs conducted by architects and design professionals.

The prestigious American Architectural Foundation (AAF), based in Washington DC, has awarded grants and awards for ABC the last three years. Recently, AAF selected ABC as one of the best examples of youth education programs it supports. ABC volunteer director Zoe Hardy presented ABC as a national model at the American Institute of Architects annual conference in May 2007.

In 2006-2007, AFC also contributed to programs by Betts House, Camp Joy, Civic Garden Center of Greater Cincinnati, and University of Cincinnati.

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ARCHITECTURAL FOUNDATION OF CINCINNATI 2006 MEMBER MEETING

AFC members met on November 25, 2006, 4:30 p.m. at the Cincinnati Museum Center. President Michael Moose reported on activities in the calendar year for 2006. He thanked Sue Ann Painter, the executive director, and trustees who had assisted with fund-raising through the Apple Award Gala, membership, and book sales. Moose recognized outgoing trustees Richard Kimbler, Michael Schuster, and Treasurer Donald Junker for their service. Junker gave the treasurer's report and grants committee report. In 2006, AFC made grants to Architecture by Children, University of Cincinnati campus tour program, and Summer CAMP – Cincinnati Architectural Mentoring Program for minority school-age children.

Christine Schoonover, vice president and chair of the nominating committee, presented the slate of trustee. Bob Knight, Susan Rissover, Gary Volz, Kathy Wagner, and Robert White were elected. Donald Junker was elected trustee emeritus.

Moose noted that AFC's book on the architecture of Cincinnati had been published that month by Ohio University Press. He congratulated Alice Weston, who chaired the publication committee and thanked her for contributing her photographs. Moose also thanked Sue Ann Painter who was lead author and managing editor.



At the board organization meeting that followed the officers were elected: President, Michael Moose, Advisory board chair, Jay Chatterjee; Vice president, Christine Schoonover; Treasurer, Mark McKillip; and Secretary, Michael Huseman.

A party hosted by the Cincinnati Museum Center followed. Alice Weston and Sue Ann Painter autographed copies of the foundation's new book, ARCHITECTURE IN CINCINNATI, for customers.

Above: Board of Trustees at the Apple Award Gala, 2007; Trustee emeritus Donald Junker, H.C. Buck Niehoff, Executive Director Sue Ann Painter, Brandon Smith; Past President/Advisory Board Chair Jay Chatterjee, Gary Volz; Alice Weston; Nick Rosian; Secretary Michael Huseman; Robert White; Gary Meisner, Susan Rissover; William A. Woodward, Treasurer Mark McKillip; President Michael Moose, Vice President Christine Schoonover, and Kelly Kolar

Not pictured: Trustees Keith G. Smith; Trustee Emeritus Gary L. Herfel, and Ex-officio trustee Dean Judith Smith Koroscik

All Apple Award photographs courtesy of Madison Hill Studio and Gallery.

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS Year ending December 31, 2006

Statement of Activities

SUPPORT AND REVENUES	
Special events	68,071
Grants and gifts	37,680
Book sales	31,031
Membership	15,255
Investment gain/loss	9,381
Investment income	1,184
TOTAL	162,602

EXPENSES	
Education/publication	66,710
Development	26,610
Administration	37,534
Marketing	10,714
TOTAL	141,568

Statement of Financial Position

Current liabilities	15,633
Restricted funds	30,901
Unrestricted funds	134,188

Total Assets 180,722

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Donors of \$250 or more will be listed in the annual report and invited to the Great Houses party.

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AARON BETSKY



Above (top): Cincinnati Art Museum director, Aaron Betsky

Above (bottom): Internationally recognized sculptor Albert Paley

Below: Dr. Stanley Kaplan, Joyce Elkus, Bob Olson, Buck Niehoff, hosts Christopher Bergen and Dr. Candace Kendle in the house designed by Michael Graves



PAST PROGRAMS

AARON BETSKY ON ARCHITECTURE

Aaron Betsky, director of the Cincinnati Art Museum since November 2006, shared his impressions of the current architectural scene in a public lecture titled, "The Importance of Nothing: Art and Architecture in a World of Much." His talk was organized by the Architectural Foundation and the Mercantile Library and held February 8 at the library.

PAST PROGRAMS

ALBERT PALEY AT CAC

AFC co-sponsored a reception and illustrated lecture on March 19 by internationally known sculptor Albert Paley at the Contemporary Arts Center. Paley is creating a site-specific installation for a residential condominium development on the Ohio River at One River Place. Based in Rochester, New York, Paley is the first metal sculptor to receive the coveted Lifetime Achievement Award from the American Institute of Architects.

COMING EVENTS

VISIT A GREAT HOUSE IN CINCINNATI

Save this date **Saturday, October 6, 2007**. AFC sustaining members will be invited to the Schiff house for one of the most architecturally significant house parties of the year. The architectural foundation's "Great Houses" party, which is open to sustaining members (\$250 and above), provides the opportunity to visit the Hyde Park house that was redesigned, rebuilt, and furnished in an unique contemporary manner by photographic artist Thomas R. Schiff.

AFC Trustee Buck Niehoff, chair of the development committee and of the event, promises another great party in the highly successful format enjoyed by guests at the 2006 event hosted by Dr. Candace Kendle and Christopher Bergen. Niehoff emphasizes that, while the party is a tribute to AFC sustaining members, "new members are welcome to join the foundation at the \$250 patron or more level and come to the event." To become a sustaining member (\$250-\$2,500) in the foundation and attend this fourth annual "Great Houses" party, **contact Sue Ann Painter (513) 421-4469** Invitations to the **5-7 p.m.** cocktail reception will be mailed to sustaining members in early September.



Above: Save the date for the 2007 CDA Awards, November 9th and the unveiling of the Hammer Award



Above (top): Arches at Ault Park

Above (bottom): Mount Echo Park was developed in 1908—the first park to come out of the Kessler Plan. The shelterhouse pictured is from 1940. Photo by Alice Weston

Below: 1907 George Kessler Cincinnati park system master plan



COMING EVENTS

HAMMER AWARD

AFC will introduce a new award at the Cincinnati Design Awards banquet at the Hilton Netherland Plaza on November 9. Titled the Hammer Award, it will recognize a practitioner with a long and distinguished involvement in architecture. Nomination guidelines for the Hammer will be distributed in August. The CDA Awards is a juried annual event, which celebrates and rewards the best in regional environmental design. Sponsors are AIA Cincinnati (AIA), the International Interior Design Association (IIDA) Cincinnati/Dayton City Center, The American Society of Interior Designers (ASID) Ohio South/Kentucky Chapter, the Society of Environmental Graphic Design (SEGD) Midwest Ohio Region, and the American Society of Landscape Architects (ASLA), Miami Section of the Ohio Chapter. AFC members will receive invitations to the event.

COMING EVENTS

PARK PLANNING IN CINCINNATI

George Kessler was one of America's leading landscape architects and the creator of numerous park master plans in the early twentieth century. And he made his mark in Cincinnati. As part of the celebration of the 100th anniversary of his plan for Cincinnati, a public program is being given at the Museum Center, itself the site of a former Cincinnati park. Noted Kessler expert Kurt Culbertson will make a presentation on Kessler's work. Local landscape architect Chris Manning—the lead consultant for the park system's newest master plan—will preview the exciting plan. Dan Hurley, vice president for history at Cincinnati Museum Center, will lead the discussion.

The Architectural Foundation of Cincinnati, Cincinnati Parks, and Cincinnati Museum Center are co-sponsoring the program to celebrate the 100th anniversary of the Kessler Plan and to preview the new Cincinnati Parks master plan. The lecture will be **September 19, 7-9 p.m.** at the **Museum Center**.

The program is free. Admission to the pre-program patron reception is \$50. Mail check payable to AFC to 2449 Fairview Avenue, Cincinnati OH 45219. Information: www.architectureincy.org. or (513) 421-4469 or PainterAFC@aol.com.



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AND ELECTION OF TRUSTEES**

Thursday, November 29, 2007

The meeting will begin at **5:00 pm**
Reception and studio tour to follow

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of the building off Daniels

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BOOK NOMINATED FOR OHIOANA AWARD

Architecture in Cincinnati: An Illustrated History of Designing and Building an American City has been named a finalist in the "Best of Ohio" category for the prestigious Ohioana Awards. Judges will decide the winner in late August.

The book was produced by the Architectural Foundation of Cincinnati and published by Ohio University Press. The authors are Sue Ann Painter, Beth Sullebarger, and Jayne Merkel. Noted environmental artist Alice Weston contributed more than 200 color photographs.

The authors and photographer have been in demand for book talks and signings. They appeared at the Cincinnati Art Museum, Contemporary Arts Center, Cincinnati Museum Center, University of Cincinnati, Joseph Beth Booksellers, and Barnes & Noble. The museum shops and bookstores continue to stock the book. AFC is selling books through its Website and in quantity. Submit requests at www.architecturecincy.org or email tonybrunsman@aol.com with quantities, charge card information and mailing address.

Fall-Winter EVENTS 07

September 19, 2007; 6:30 pm
Cincinnati Parks Program

October 6, 2007; 5-7:00 pm
Sustaining Member Party

November 9, 2007; 6:30 pm
Cincinnati Design Awards

November 28, 2007; 5:00 pm
Annual Meeting



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