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NEW EXAM REGISTRANTS

Congratulations to the following exam candidates who successfully gained registration in Oregon between April 19, 2021 and October 18, 2021.

LACEY M. ALEY
TREVOR BEDNARZ
KELSY COLVIN
MICHAEL J. FERRARI
ADAM D. GOLDBERG
ANNA K. HERMANN
A. BEATE IOANIDE-CULI
KRISTINA JOHNSON
JENNIFER M. LANIUS
AMY MCCARTHY-SMITH
RICHARD MEAKINS
MICHAEL MORAN
ALLISON J. MUELLER
FRANK MUELLER
CLAY R. NEAL
JENNY P. ORDONEZ NIETO
MICHAEL J. PARSHALL
DANIEL J. ROTH
KIAN GIAP TEH
NICHOLAS M. VIPOND
CHRISTOPHER L. WALKUP
GREGORY WHITNEY
KATHERINE SKYE WOODHOUSE
EMILY S. WU
SAMUEL L. YERKE
AUSTIN ZEITZ

Congratulations!

WELCOME TO THE BOARD HEIDI BERTMAN!

The Oregon State Board of Architect Examiners would like to welcome its newest architect member to the Board – Heidi Bertman. Governor Kate Brown appointed Heidi to serve a four-year term on the Board beginning September 28, 2021. Heidi currently serves as a Project Manager for Portland Public Schools.



For 20 years, Heidi's career focus has been on work for public and mission-driven institutions. She brings an understanding of project due diligence and delivery resources along with significant experience in design management to service on OSBAE, both from the owner's and the design professional's perspective. Outside of current projects, Heidi works to support the future of the profession, seeking opportunities to mentor interns so they can build an understanding of the extent and limitations of their professional responsibilities and communicate that to their communities.

Heidi holds a Master of Architecture degree from the University of Oregon and is a member of the American Institute of Architects and the Construction Specifications Institute. Please join us in welcoming Heidi Bertman to the Board! We truly appreciate the volunteer service provided by all our Board members.



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FAREWELL TO BOARD MEMBERS DOUG SAMS & KRISTIN JO WELLS

OSBAE would like to thank Doug Sams and Kristin Jo Wells who have served on the Board since being appointed in 2013.

Doug was always willing to volunteer wherever and whenever help was needed. In addition to serving as Chair of the Board, Doug served on numerous committees throughout the past eight years and was an active participant with NCARB and WCARB. By asking the tough questions, Doug always added insightful information to the Board's discussions, and listened to the perspectives of others, thereby helping the Board reach fair and well-balanced decisions.

As an architect from the public sector Jo brought a diverse perspective to the Board. Serving as a leader on the City of Portland's first progressive-design-build project Jo represented the "owner" of the project rather than directly practicing architecture. Jo's design-build knowledge and public sector experience has been instrumental in the Board's decision-making process. Jo also served as Chair of the Board and led the Board through administrative changes.

Thank you, Doug and Jo, for your generous contributions of time, talent, and insight over the last eight years! OSBAE is a better Board due to your dedicated service and your participation will be missed.



Doug Sams



Kristin Jo Wells

INTERESTED IN BOARD SERVICE?

The Board is seeking applicants for two open positions – a registered architect and a public member. If you are a registered architect who has resided in the state for at least 5 years you are eligible for the architect opening. Architects who reside in the 2nd Congressional District are strongly encouraged to apply. Public members represent the consumer's perspective and may not be registered architects. To apply so serve on the Board, simply complete the online application that's available on the [Governor's website](#) by November 5th. For more information, contact lisa.howard@osbae.oregon.gov.



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RENEWAL SEASON IS COMING!

If your **individual** registration ends in an ODD number, your registration expires December 31, 2021.

All **firm** registrations expire annually on January 31.

Registrations must be renewed by the end of established grace period deadlines (March 1, 2022 for *Individuals*; April 1, 2022 for *Firms*) to lawfully continue practicing architecture and offering architectural services in the state of Oregon.

Completing a renewal requires the registered architect or the firm representative to answer legal questions and certify under penalty of perjury that the information supplied is truthful and accurate.

Renewal season opens for *Individuals* November 12, 2021; *Firm* renewal season opens December 13, 2021. An email will be sent on opening day to the email address on record. The email will contain all the information, including a PIN, necessary to log in to the Online Renewal System and complete your renewal. Note: a new PIN is issued with each renewal, your PIN from a previous renewal will not be valid.

WHAT YOU CAN DO to prepare...

- ◇ Update your contact information when it changes to ensure receipt of renewal emails. *Individuals* may update contact information on our website at any time. To check and/or change it go to www.osbae.com, click on the Address Changes tab, and enter the requested information to log in. *Firms* may update contact information by going to www.osbae.com, clicking on the Applications and Forms tab, then completing and submitting a Contact Information Change Form. This form must be signed by the Firm representative.
- ◇ Mark your calendar for November 12 (individual registrants) and/or December 13 (firm registrants). If your registration is up for renewal and you do not receive an email from architectboard@osbae.oregon.gov then check your junk mail or spam folder. You may also go to our website after the renewal season opens to request your renewal PIN.

STAY CURRENT WITH OSBAE!

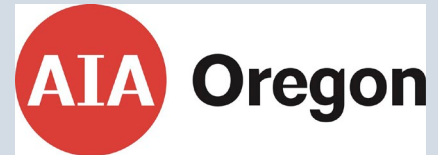
Keep your email address and other contact information current with OSBAE to receive your communications from our Board for your renewal information and PIN, current information on rule changes, newsletters, and more. Not only will you receive important updates, you'll also be following the rules! State rules require that you notify us of any changes within 60 days, so keep that information current.



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AIA Oregon Update

Thank you to OSBAE for allowing AIA Oregon to update professionals and others in the state about our priorities for protecting the health, safety and welfare of Oregonians in the built environment. We also seek to protect our members' professional integrity by working closely with OSBAE regarding rules and regulations of practice and will continue to join conversations regularly. We hope that we can be a resource to anyone in the community regarding how to work with an architect, and / or when you should call an architect. Please feel free to reach out to us via email.

AIA Oregon has welcomed a new EVP / CEO, Heather Wilson, who was previously the Executive Director for AIA Utah. In Utah, Heather was also a two-term Planning Commissioner for the city of Millcreek and a member of the Utah State Board of History. She is joined by her family of 3 boys, her husband and father, as they make their home in the PNW.

Upon arrival in April, Heather turned her attention to AIA Oregon's two legislative priorities this year: funding the Oregon Safety Assessment Program and partnering with ACEC to pass Duty to Defend legislation. The first ended in success, the second in a post-session study. From tsunamis to electric vehicles to building codes, this legislative session allowed us to be involved in varied issues paralleling our members' diverse interests. We seek to educate our legislators about what architects do and how we can be a resource in creating better places to live, work, and play in Oregon.

We share common interests with our friends in engineering and construction, and we are happy to work closely with both groups as we consider rules around the scope of practice and incidental practice. We are also deeply interested in any burgeoning conversation with interior designers around similar subjects. While our professions are deeply connected, we have specializations that speak to our professional responsibilities to protect health safety and welfare, which are determined by way of a careful review of education, experience and examination requirements for each profession. AIA Oregon, as a chapter of the National AIA, has been engaged locally in conversation about licensure for over 100 years. At the national level, we've been standardizing practice and examination along with our collateral organizations (NAAB, ACSA, and NCARB) for nearly 160. We are prepared to offer our expertise as a resource in crafting policy that will support requisite certification, registration, or licensure for any design profession, without redefining the practice of architecture in the process. There is a pathway to yes there.

Many of our conversations at the OSBAE table involve making the profession more inclusive. We are committed to supporting AXP / ARE candidates in the state who need study resources or study groups. While we've been in pandemic, there are still ways to take the exam with COVID protocols, and we're happy to provide resources, identify contacts, and provide volunteers around program development. We can find mentors and offer continuing education opportunities in person and online, and we hope you'll join us for any of our upcoming programming before the end of the year! www.aiaoregon.org.

With gratitude to the profession I serve,
Heather Wilson
AIA Oregon EVP / CEO



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NOMA PDX UPDATE

Have you heard about the Portland Chapter of the National Organization of Minority Architects (NOMA PDX)? Learn more about this growing organization from this interview OSBAE conducted with Ana Yocum, Co-Founder of NOMA PDX.

What is NOMA's purpose or mission? What is NOMA trying to achieve?

The mission of NOMA PDX is to empower local creatives, amplify underrepresented experiences within the design community, and advocate for social justice, equity, and equality through design achievement, community engagement, and professional development.

Why is this important?

The impact of NOMA PDX is felt at the intersection of design and dilemmas that face the community. Portland has a turbulent history of listening to underrepresented voices. We understand there is color in Portland, and we stand resiliently through the active partnerships between non-minorities and underrepresented individuals. These sorts of relationships help us speak against daily passive aggressions, apathy, bigotry, intolerance, and ignorance. Together we advocate for the care of the natural environment, and for the marginalized and most vulnerable community members in PDX.

What makes NOMA unique?

NOMA's mission, rooted in a rich legacy of activism, is to empower our local chapters and membership to foster justice and equity in communities of color through outreach, community advocacy, professional development, and design excellence.

The National Organization of Minority Architects Portland Chapter (NOMA PDX) arose out of the outcries of people that took to the streets to speak up in the community BLM marches, against local police brutality, and social unrest in the summer of 2020. Now as a nationally recognized chapter of NOMA, NOMA PDX is named as such from the local understanding that the design community in Portland reaches beyond city limits.

Why did you join NOMA? Why did you become a NOMA Board member?

My student peers and I founded the local NOMA chapter because we did not see enough BIPOC representation, nor enough conversations about social justice within the architectural realm. In response, we as 3 students set on the mission to find the BIPOC architects who would help us actualize some of the changes we wished we would have seen in our Kindergarten - Masters of Architecture experiences.

The three student founders all serve as Board Members and this makes NOMA PDX quite unique as typically professionals run chapters separately from students who have their own chapters. This diversity of race, age, background, and roles within architecture helps us tackle issues faced at every step of the architecture career path.

As a NOMA Board member, what activities are you involved in?

We are approaching our 1st year of being nationally recognized as a NOMA chapter, so the focus within this past year has been on building a solid foundation for current and future members.

Is anyone eligible to join NOMA?

The answer is yes and as a minority lead organization and a minority centered organization we have high expectations for members who will enlist in our efforts to develop equity in the profession of architecture. You can learn more about NOMA PDX via our website (<https://www.nomapdx.org/>) where you can find all our social media links to stay in the loop.



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WHAT IS A CONTINUING EDUCATION (CE) AUDIT?

The CE AUDIT begins after Renewal Season closes.

During the online renewal process, Individual registrants must answer questions related to CE. In April of 2022, eight percent of eligible registrants will be randomly selected to participate in the CE audit. Those selected will be required to submit evidence of the CE they earned during the two-year renewal period (January 1, 2020 – December 31, 2021).

If this is a registrant's first renewal, the CE requirement will be considered met and the registrant will not be selected for the audit. However, remember to begin earning CE hours as of January 1, 2022 for the following two-year renewal period!

Below are some important points to understand before you complete the online renewal process.

- Per Oregon Administrative Rule [\(OAR\) 806-010-0145](#) registrants up for renewal on December 31, 2021 are required to complete a minimum of 24 hours of CE in architectural health, safety, and welfare (HSW) subjects by December 31, 2021, or pay a \$100 late fee and complete the CE by March 1, 2022.
- CE completed prior to January 1, 2020 does not count toward the 24 hour CE requirement.
- If any two hours are earned with substantially the same content, credit for only one hour will be given.
- Candidates will be audited as to the truthfulness of answers provided during the renewal period to the CE questions listed below. **Answering renewal questions untruthfully may result in disciplinary action.**
 - I have met the continuing education requirements as outlined in OAR 806-010-0145. If this is not my first renewal, I have completed or will complete a minimum of 24 hours of continuing education in health, safety, and welfare by December 31, 2021.
 - I will meet the continuing education requirements by the end of the second grace period as outlined in OAR 806-010-0090, which means I will complete a minimum of 24 hours of continuing education in health, safety, and welfare by March 1, 2022, and will automatically pay the late continuing education fee with this renewal.
 - *If you have completed 24 hours of HSW CE by December 31, 2021, or if this is your first renewal, the response to the first question would be yes and the response to the second question would be no.*
 - *If you have not completed 24 hours of CE in HSW by December 31, 2021, then you must complete your CE requirements no later than March 1, 2022 and pay a \$100 Late CE Fee. By responding yes to the second question you are attesting that you will complete your CE by the March 1 deadline.*

Registrants are required to maintain documentary evidence of compliance with the CE requirement. If selected to participate in the audit, you will be required to submit evidence of completion. Acceptable evidence of completion is either certificates of completion or an AIA transcript. Hand-made transcripts, proofs of registration, e-tickets, sign-in sheets, and certificates that do not include the minimum requirements, are examples of unacceptable evidence and therefore will be disallowed. OSBAE does **not** pre-approve CE. Before signing up for courses, check with CE providers to ensure you will be sent a certificate of completion that meets the requirements in OAR 806-010-0145(6).

Please note that effective October 1, 2021, the accepted lengths of a continuing education hour (CEH) changed to the following: A program 15 to 29 minutes in length equals 0.25 CEH, a program 30 to 49 minutes in length equals 0.5 CEH, and a program 50 to 60 minutes in length equals 1.0 CEH. Thus, beginning October 1, 2021 we will accept CEH of less than 50 minutes!



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IN MEMORIAM

The Board and staff extend condolences to the families and friends of those who have honored the architect profession.

- ❖ Max Bolte, Oregon
- ❖ Michael A. Cina, Washington
- ❖ William E. Franz, Jr., Texas
- ❖ Daryl L. Sieker, Oregon
- ❖ Jerry L. Waters, Oregon

If you know of a person who should be recognized in this section, please notify us at architectboard@osbae.oregon.gov.

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Would you like to receive news from the Oregon State Board of Architect Examiners (OSBAE)?

If you are not a currently registered architect or architectural firm with OSBAE, then you may not receive newsletters, rulemaking notices, and other updates from the Board.

By subscribing to this [list](#) you will receive that information.

OFFICE UPDATES

New Email Addresses

Our email addresses have changed! Please note that our email domain address is now osbae.oregon.gov. The general email address is architectboard@osbae.oregon.gov.

New Office Schedule

Due to COVID-19 our office is open by appointment only Monday through Thursday from 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. The office is closed on Fridays with staff available via email and phone.

WHO WE ARE

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Heidi Bertman
James Chaney, Public Member
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Protecting the public health, safety, and welfare through the registration and regulation of the practice of architecture and provision of architectural services in Oregon



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RULES, RULES AND MORE RULES!

Below is a summary of rule revisions approved by the Board. Each revision was made available for public comment before being adopted by the Board.

- ➔ Effective April 1, 2021 **OAR 806-010-0145(6) Continuing Education** was revised to clarify when the late CE fee may be imposed, by adding (a) through (c). The full text of (6) follows:

Continuing education may be audited to verify compliance with these requirements. Evidence of compliance must be maintained by the architect for a minimum of two years from the most recent date of registration or registration renewal in Oregon. If selected for audit, the individual architect must provide evidence to substantiate completion of the continuing education requirements. Acceptable evidence of completion is a certificate or transcript that includes the name of the course provider, registrant's name, course title, completion date and HSW hours received.

(a) The Board will disallow any claimed continuing education hours submitted without acceptable evidence, and notify the individual architect of its determination. If, after excluding hours disallowed by the Board, the total hours the architect has submitted are insufficient to meet the requirements of this section, the architect must within 30 days from notice of such disallowance either provide acceptable evidence of having completed the continuing education hours or remedy the insufficiency by completing the required number of continuing education hours.

(b) If the architect completes additional continuing education hours to remedy an insufficiency, the architect will be subject to a late continuing education fee as provided in 806-010-0105. Additional continuing education hours completed to remedy an insufficiency may not be applied to satisfy continuing education requirements in a subsequent renewal period.

(c) If, in the Board's determination, an architect has willfully disregarded the continuing education requirements of this section, or has falsified documentation of completion of required continuing education hours, the architect will be subject to disciplinary action by the Board.

- ➔ Effective July 1, 2021, **OAR 806-001-0003 Biennial Budget** was revised to adopt the 2021-2023 biennial budget of \$1,554,085. Copies of the budget are available on the Board's website.
- ➔ Fee increases for firms became effective July 1, 2021 under **OAR 806-010-0105 Fee Schedule**. The fee amounts for firms are reflected below:
- (5) Architectural Firm Application — \$100 (\$25 increase)
 - (6) Architectural Firm Certificate of Registration — \$200 (\$100 increase)
 - (7) Architectural Firm Certificate of Registration Renewal — \$200 (\$100 increase)
 - (a) Architectural Firm Late Renewal — \$150 (\$50 increase)
 - (b) Architectural Firm Reinstatement Application — \$100 (new fee)
 - (c) Architectural Firm Certificate of Registration Reinstatement — \$400 (no change)



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- ➔ Revisions to **OAR 806-010-0145(2) Continuing Education** were adopted by the Board effective October 1, 2021. The changes will allow continuing education programs less than 50 minutes for continuing education credit. AIA worked with NCARB to develop their standards to align with NCARB model rules and regulations and NCARB's health, safety, and welfare (HSW) definition. The shorter length programs are eligible for HSW credit following the same criteria for full length courses. The revised text for (2) follows:

A continuing education hour (CEH) is defined as the amount of contact spent in a structured educational program. A program 15 to 29 minutes in length equals 0.25 CEH, a program 30 to 49 minutes in length equals 0.5 CEH, and a program 50 to 60 minutes in length equals 1.0 CEH.

- ➔ Effective October 22, 2021 the Board adopted revisions to **OAR 806-010-0001 Definitions, 806-010-0010(4) Approved Architect and Firm Registration and Evaluation Programs, and 806-010-0035(3)(B)(ii) Registration by Reciprocity** to update references to approved guidelines.

View the Board's entire Oregon Administrative Rules [here](#).

NCARB'S ANALYSIS OF PRACTICE – SHARE YOUR THOUGHTS!

NCARB has officially launched the Analysis of Practice—a comprehensive study that will explore the current practice of architecture, as well as what's on the horizon for the near future. Findings will shape how the regulation of architecture evolves. To ensure accuracy, the Analysis of Practice is seeking input from as many individuals as possible—including architects and licensure candidates, as well as related professionals working alongside architects (landscape designers, engineers, etc.). For more information, please visit www.analysisofpractice.com.

Why participate?

The profession is constantly evolving, and the path to licensure must evolve with it. To ensure NCARB's programs are aligned with modern architecture practice and continue to protect public health, safety, and welfare, NCARB regularly partners with researchers to conduct a comprehensive review of current practice. The previous study led to a restructuring of the Architectural Experience Program® (AXP®) and Architect Registration Examination® (ARE®).