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### **2022 AIA Fellowship**

Candidate Paul M. Dennehy

Organization Malone Maxwell Dennehy Architects

Location Dallas, Texas

Chapter AIA Texas Society of Architects; AIA Dallas

### **Category of Nomination**

Object 3 > Led the Institute

### **Summary Statement**

Paul Dennehy has led the Institute with perseverance, purpose, and vision, redefining issues facing the AIA and the profession through advocacy and implementation of changes that have created a stronger and more representative future.

### Education

University of Pennsylvania – Master of Architecture 1985

Universita IUAV di Venezia – Summer 1984

University of Texas at Arlington - Bachelor of Science in Architecture 1980 w/ Honors

### Licensed in:

Texas

### **Employment**

Malone Maxwell Dennehy Architects, 2019- Present (3 Years)

Dennehy Architects, 1994-2018 (25 years)

Corgan Associates, 1991-1993 ( 2 1/2 years)

George C. T. Woo w/ I.M. Pei-Hong Kong, 1988-1991 (2 1/2 years)

Aldo Cosutta, 1986 -1988 (2 years)

Good Haas & Fulton, 1985-1986 (2 years)

01 October 2021

Steven Spurlock, FAIA, Chair Jury of Fellows American Institute of Architects 1735 New York Avenue, NW Washington, DC 2006-5292 Re: Paul M. Dennehy, AIA, Candidate for Fellowship

Dear Chair Spurlock and Distinguished Members of the Jury:

It is an honor to sponsor Paul M. Dennehy, AIA, for elevation to the College of Fellows. I have known Paul for over thirty years and I trust that upon reviewing this document you will share my high esteem for his achievements as an extraordinary leader of our profession.

Paul has served the AIA for decades, in varied roles at the local, state, and national levels. For Paul, "Leading the Institute" has always meant so much more: It has meant strengthening the AIA as an organization, not only through increased revenue, but by the identification and inclusion of a new generation of diverse leaders for today and the future. It has meant identifying looming challenges and opportunities on the horizon and steering us towards solutions. It has meant strengthening and amplifying our collective voices, thereby enhancing our influence in the community and government. It has meant providing mentoring for emerging professionals and more relevant training for our seasoned architects as we adapt to a rapidly changing world. It has meant being an inspirational role model for others, leading one of the largest components in the country while operating a small firm. In every case Paul's actions have been transformed into achievements.

Paul's voice also resonates within the AIA because he is an "architect's architect," adept in all aspects of the profession. He is a deft designer, equally at home skillfully leading a construction site conference or an impassioned community meeting. His professional recognition spans awards for design, preservation, and even for delineation.

I believe that Paul will be an outstanding addition to the College of Fellows, where he can continue to shape the profession for years to come.

Sincerely,



Gregory S. Ibañez, FAIA



Paul Dennehy has led the Institute with perseverance, purpose, and vision, redefining issues facing the AIA and the profession through advocacy and implementation of changes that have created a stronger and more representative future.

Paul Dennehy has played a pivotal role in leading the Institute, opening new paths for participation in the AIA through collaborative leadership, commitment to learning, and steadfast advocacy for the profession. He has passionately dedicated three decades of leadership to the AIA, embracing numerous leadership positions at the local, state and national level. He has positioned the Institute's 95,000 members for a stronger, brighter and more relevant future.

### **Empowering New Leaders**

Paul's leadership is rooted in his ability to not only to anticipate issues, but to gather ideas, seek underrepresented viewpoints, and to responsively create the conditions for new ideas and their voices to flourish. On the National AIA Strategic Council, Paul chaired the Best Practices and Forecast Knowledge Committees, where he reinforced the new AIA state governance model establishing strong diversity pipelines from local components to national. As 2017 Texas Society of Architects (TxA) president, he restructured the established selection process for leadership positions to ensure fresh perspectives and diversity. This resulted in most diverse board in the history of TxA. In the same year, he established the Equity Diversity and Inclusion (EDI) task force, charged with building a forward-looking AIA that embraces opportunity, and values thought leadership and diversity of experience across the entire membership. [LEADERSHIP]

### **Expanding Educational Opportunities at all Career Stages**

From advancing AIA National Strategic Council workgroup initiatives to twice chairing the TxA Annual convention, Paul developed new avenues to grow the profession that address the challenges of practicing in the 21st century. At TxA, he reimagined the structure of educational offerings, and laid the groundwork for systemic change in the way conventions are planned. He redefined the traditional licensure credits focus to an immersive conference of world-renowned speakers and course offerings that benefit thousands of design professionals at all stages of their career. He understands that architecture is a mentorship profession - he championed the implementation of a High School Certification Program and expanded the TxA Mentorship Program, to create a peer-to-peer, cross-generational mentorship between established and emerging practitioners. [EDUCATION]

### **Amplifying the Voice of Architects in the Public Sphere**

Throughout his career Paul has amplified the voice of the AIA and has deepened public awareness of architecture and its value. From more than a dozen Capitol Hill visits to coordinated public statements with AIA Arizona, AIA California and AIA New Mexico. Paul is deeply committed to a more equitable built environment and a prosperous architecture profession. Strengthening the role of architecture through community activism to improve people's lives has been core component of his practice. His decades-long commitment to the community and AIA has been recognized with the 2016 TxA James D. Pfluger, FAIA Award for Community Service, as well as the 2017 AIA Fort Worth Community Award and the 2013 AIA Fort Worth James R. Wooten Service Award. More importantly, Paul's recognitions speak to the importance and impact AIA architects have in shaping the future. [ADVOCACY]



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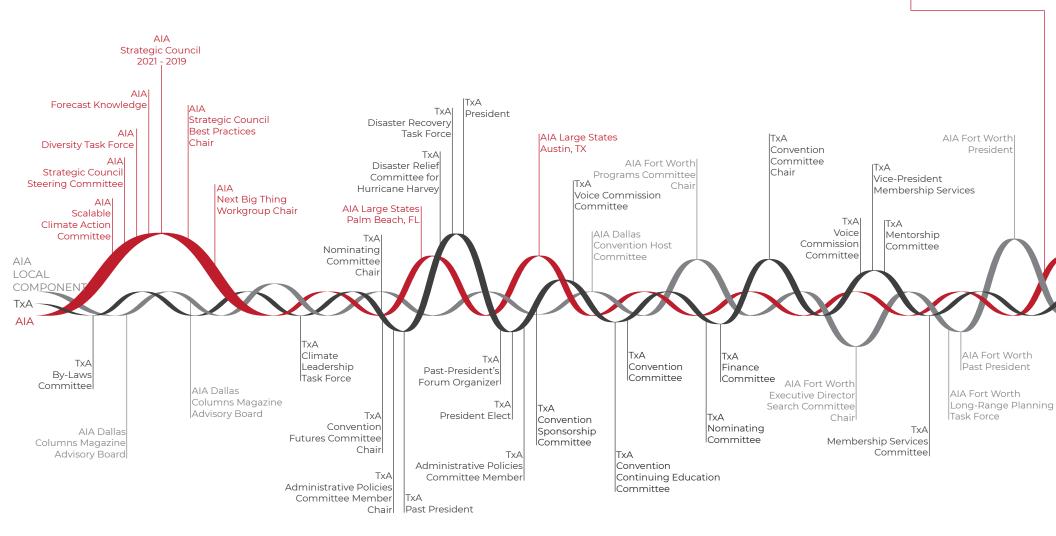
Jeff Potter, FAIA American Institute of Architects 2012 President

### AIA Grassroots - 2009 - 2011

TxA Convention Committee - 2008 AIA Fort Worth - Membership Committee - 2009 TxA Convention Chair - 2003

TxA Futures Committee - 2004

AIA Fort Worth Design Awards Committee - 2001 AIA Fort Worth Programs Committee - 1996 - 1999 AIAS President - 1978



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### **AIA NATIONAL**



Strategic Council - Class of 2021

2021 Committees:

Steering Committee

Best Practices Committee - Chair

Beyond 2030 Committee

Diversity Task Force – Regions Implication and the Diversity of Strategic Council – Chair

Scalable Climate Action Committee

2020 Committees:

Best Practices Committee – Co-Chair

Next Big Thing Work Group

Forecast Knowledge Beyond 2030 Committee

2019 Committees:

Next Big Thing Work Group

Forecast Knowledge Climate Leadership Committee - Chair

### **American Institute of Architects Student**

1977 - 1979 University of Texas at Arlington Student Chapter – President 1978

### **Positioned Institute to Address Critical Issues**

On the AIA National Strategic Council, Paul championed responses to transformative issues facing the Institute's 94,000 members. He chaired the Forecast Knowledge workgroup, co-chaired the Beyond 2030 workgroup and was a collaborator on the Scalable Climate action group. He implemented research efforts in climate study and technology and directed long-term funding and staffing to both these areas of study. These initiatives were all focused on bringing education and actionable policies to climate change issues. He also worked closely with the Board and AIA staff to develop the new state governance model for the Institute as it shifts to a states model to align with AIA Resolution 18-3 (Diversity Pipeline and National Representation) passed in 2018. [LEADERSHIP]

### **Facilitated Broader National AIA Representation**

As chair of the Best Practices Committee and the Diversity Task Force, Paul shepherded the 2021 elections process and crafted the guidelines to achieve the broadest representation since the Council's inception in 2014. To align with the AIA State Governance Model, in 2021, he worked with the Regions Implementation Task Force and the Institute's Emerging Professional and Diversity Committee, to redefine the council's at-large members election process to engage emerging leaders within the Institute and to thought leaders representing a broad range of social activists and community voices. [LEADERSHIP]

"Paul's reach as an Institute leader extends well bevond his home state of Texas. He is committed to seeking out and empowering the next generation of architects and regularly encourages young professionals to get involved in AIA - regardless of experience level or status in their office. His leadership at the Institute is a continued inspiration for me as a member of the inaugural class of the AIA Leadership Academy. "

Nick Thorn, AIA Project Manager Marlon Blackwell Architects Fayetteville, Arkansas

### **TEXAS SOCIETY OF ARCHITECTS**







### **Board of Directors**

2018 Past-President

2018 Administrative Policies Committee - Chair

2017 President2016 President-Elect

2012 Vice-President - Membership Services

### **Administrative Policies Committee**

2016 Member

### **Finance Committee**

2014 - 2017 Member

### **Nominating Committee**

2018 Chair2014 Member

### **Convention Planning**

2019 - 2021 Sponsorship Committee

2018 Convention Futures Committee - Chair2018 Continuing Education Committee - Chair

2018 Sponsorship Committee

2017 Convention Futures Committee
 2016 Convention Sponsorship Committee
 2016 Convention Futures Committee

2015 Convention Committee

2015 - 2020 Continuing Education Committee - Chair 2018

2013 Convention Committee - Chair2003 Convention Committee - Chair

### **Texas Architectural Foundation**

2017 - 2018 Texas Architectural Foundation (\$2.2 M Endowment/60 Scholarships per year)

2017 Architecture Foundation Scholarship Sporting Clay – Co-Chair (Raised \$64,000.00 in scholarship funds)

### **Government Affairs**

2013 - 2021 Advocate for Architecture – Texas Legislative Summit (odd years)

### O'Neil Ford Medal for Design Excellence Committee

2015 - 2021 Member

2015 Inaugural Committee Chair

### **TEXAS SOCIETY OF ARCHITECTS**





### **Additional Service and Leadership**

2021 By-Laws Task Force
 2019 - 2020 Climate Leadership Task Force
 2017 - 2018 Disaster Recovery Task Force
 2017 Texas Disaster Relief Committee - Hurricane Harvey
 2016 VoiceCom Committee
 2016 Past-President's Forum - Organizer and Host

2015 AIA Large States Round Table

2014 Nominating Committee

2012 Mentorship Program (Career Building Committee)

2012 VoiceCom Committee

2011 Membership Services Committee2009 - 2011 AIA Grassroots Leadership Conference

### Nominated the Most Diverse in TxA Board in its History

As a member of the Nominating committee in 2014, Paul advocated for diverse and emerging professional representation on the TxA board, regional directors, and committee chair positions. In 2015 TxA had the largest number of female directors in its history: five directors and one vice-president on the board. Through his leadership service he achieved a position to revamp the way committees were staffed, he disassembled the traditional selection process that was in place for years at TxA that promoted people to statewide leadership based on their longevity of service at other levels. He instead asked the committee to consider board appointments that better reflected society and the communities we serve. As a result, the make-up of the 2017 board and commissioners was the most diverse in gender, race and thought leadership in TxA's history. [LEADERSHIP] [ADVOCACY]

### **Clarified and Solidified Finances**

As a member of the Finance committee, with deep experience in convention planning and member education revenue, Paul understood the importance of non-dues revenue on TxA's annual budget of more than \$3 million. With non-dues revenue averaging approximately 38 percent of the budget, Paul sought ways to strengthen alternative revenue sources to limit member dues increases and to create transparency between the Finance committee and the Board to enhance their understanding of the long-term impact of non-dues revenue has on TxA's budget. In addition, he established year-round co-branding of events with major national industry sponsors to reinforce the AIA brand and developed a portfolio of programming to benefit both members and shared revenue with components. [LEADERSHIP]

### **TEXAS SOCIETY OF ARCHITECTS**





### **Mobilized a Response to Hurricane Harvey**

In response to Hurricane Harvey in August 2017, Paul mobilized the TxA Executive Committee to put in place a Disaster Recovery Task Force charged to enable thousands of architects in Texas and surrounding states to help in the massive recovery effort. He coordinated a national and local response with the AIA Disaster Assistance Program on biweekly conference calls. TxA brought in FEMA Damage Assessment Operations trainers to certify architects across TxA components to reinforce long-term preparedness. The effort trained and certified more than 400 additional damage assessment volunteers across Texas and Louisiana via the AIA/CAL-OES Safety Assessment Program (SAP) training. Paul made last minute changes to include key specialists and panelist to talk about long-term sustainability and climate action at the TxA Annual Convention held just 35 days after the hurricane. The work reinforces existing Disaster Relief Committees and establishes new committees in the 17 components throughout Texas. [LEADERSHIP]

### **Recognized Design Leaders**

O'Neil Ford Medal for Design Excellence Committee (Chairman 2015, Member 2016-2021)
As inaugural chairman O'Neil Ford Medal for Design Excellence task force, Paul was tasked to develop the award criteria for this statewide recognition for an individual Texas architect for outstanding achievement in producing distinguished design as expressed in a body of work over a period of at least 20 years. Paul developed criteria, selection process and the design of the award. The first recipient of the award was Frank Welch, FAIA. [LEADERSHIP]

### Advocated for the Environment

During the height of the immigration crisis on the southern U.S. border in 2017, Paul, serving as TxA president, presented, debated, and received board approval for TxA to issue an official statement on the construction of a wall along the border and the ecological damage perpetrated by such a wall running from the Gulf of Mexico to the Pacific Ocean. Paul coordinated with AIA Arizona (1006 members) and AIA California (11,000 members) and both components issued statements in the late summer of 2017, with the New Mexico ((450 members) following in the fall and winter of 2017, a rare foray into controversial issues by the components. The statement aligned with the AIA Statement of Values on equity and human rights and was published on the AIA and TxA website and its social media channels – reaching over 100,000 people via social media channels. [ADVOCACY]

### **Strengthened Practice and Engagement**

Paul has participated on over two dozen Advocacy Day events including AIA Grassroots US Capitol visits, TxA Texas Capitol events and legislator office visit across Texas. In 2017 Paul led a delegation of 300 Texas architects on visits to the capitol and legislators' offices throughout the state to fend off several legislative bills that were threats to the profession and practice of architecture. Each bill was improved upon, and the advocacy work advanced to strengthen all architects' practices. Paul also achieved full board participation in the Texas Architects Committee (TAC), the political action arm of TxA. These efforts gave voice to architects and the Institute as key contributors in shaping the built environment. [ADVOCACY]

### **TEXAS SOCIETY OF ARCHITECTS**

### Established the First TxA Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion Task Force

Paul advocated for the establishment of the EDI Task Force and appointed its first members, drawing on the same appointment criteria he had applied to the board – seeking out younger leaders from TxA's broader membership, not simply the established leadership pipeline. The task force would become change agents in making the profession more responsive and relevant to the Institute's members. The task force met weekly in early 2017 and quickly developed the language of inclusion that would become a part of TxA by-laws, statements, and committee charges. The task force thoroughly reviewed the five-year TxA strategic plan and made recommendations for integrating EDI language in the document. The TxA Board approved every recommendation. Following on this EDI adoption, the Texas Architecture Foundation incorporated EDI language in its mission statement. This task force continues its work as a standing committee of TxA. [ADVOCACY]

### **Created a High School Certificate Program**

Paul created a task force to coordinate TxA with the Texas Education Agency (TEA) to establish a high school level certificate program in architecture. The goal was for TxA to act as a liaison with the eight accredited Texas schools of architecture to provide students an opportunity to begin their foundational architectural education for college credit while they are still in high school, and then transfer into either an associate degree program at a local community college or an accredited architecture program at a university. This program is a pipeline to the architecture profession. To date, the program services 15 community colleges with foundational architecture programs and eight NAAB accredited universities. The San Antonio ISD architecture academy attracts between 35-50 students per year and in North Texas, 25 high schools offer architecture programs. [EDUCATION]

### Implemented the TxA Mentorship Program

Paul realized the need for young professionals to have a seasoned architect mentor outside of the work environment. He implemented a new Career Building Committee (now the TxA Mentorship Program) with the charge to provide professional mentors for emerging professionals (EPs) as resources to assist in their professional development. The program identified four tiers of experience in the profession: recent graduates (associates), recent registrants (members), registrants of 5-10 years, and registrants of over 10 years. The statewide mentorship program that connects these emerging and young professionals with experienced architects, the majority of whom are members of the AIA College of Fellows. The relationship is a two-way street with young professionals expected to contribute to the discussions and share experiences as well as new methods or technologies. Rather than simply pairing one established architect with one EP and hoping for a good match, the committee forms mentorship groups consisting of one experienced architect and several EPs at slightly different stages of their career to encourage collaboration and learn from one another. EPs are also encouraged to conduct meetings or take on leadership roles in organizing activities for their group. [EDUCATION]

### **TEXAS SOCIETY OF ARCHITECTS**











### **Increased AIA Membership**

Working with AIA, TxA staff, and the Membership Services committee, Paul developed a marketing plan and distributed membership information to all schools of architecture in Texas and promoted AIA membership to recent graduates and interns, many of whom unaware of the discounts available to them. He encouraged attendance at TxA Convention through the website, social media, and university announcements, and was featured in videos promoting the 2012 Austin convention and the 2013 Fort Worth convention. During Paul's service and leadership on the committee, TxA membership grew annually from 6,190 (2011) to 6,294 (2012) and 6,492 (2013). This represents 8.2 percent of the national AIA's 95,000 members and added a third national AIA director for Texas. Because of this success, Paul was appointed as an advisor to the Young Architects Task Force. This network of engaged young professionals was key to developing relevant programs for the 2013 convention and increasing intern attendance by 188 percent, an upward trend has continued to date. Today, Texas ranks among the highest percent of licensed architects who are members of AIA (63 percent). [LEADERSHIP]

### **Re-Shaped the Premier Regional Convention**

The TxA convention is the second largest architectural convention in the country, after the AIA National convention, and draws senior-level and key decision makers at some on the largest firms in the nation. The convention is also the state component's largest single revenue generator, bringing in 38 percent of its overall budget annually. Under Paul's Convention Futures chairmanship, the convention experience was designed to achieve revenue, attendance, and educational goals at a consistently high level. He strategically engaged younger attendees, expanded the pool of keynote speakers, and changed the way conventions are planned by cross-pollinating ideas among TxA committees and publications as well as its membership.

He has also chaired the 2003 and 2013 (Fort Worth) convention committees and served on the 2015 (Dallas) committee, where he shared his experience and provide guidance to the chapter. The 2013 Fort Worth convention marked a sea change in the conference structure. Paul implemented a horizontal integration of events, courses and tours to create learning suites, engaged TxA committees to communicate with each other for the first time to explore common interests, and broadened the courses to include more sessions relating to design, the host convention city, small firm interests, community building and digital fabrication. He aligned courses with tours to create interest paths and subject immersion on elements of practice or major projects. The 2013 convention set both attendance (3,300, up from 2,700 the previous year) and revenue records (\$950,000, or 38 percent of TxA's annual budget). [EDUCATION] [LEADERSHIP]

### **AIA LOCAL COMPONENTS**



### **AIA Fort Worth**

2014	Programs Committee - <i>Chair</i>
2012	Executive Director Search Committee - Chair
2011	Long-Range Planning Task Force
2011	Past President
2010	President
2009	Center for Architecture Building Committee - Chair
2009	President- Elect
2008	Vice President of Communications
2008	Convention Committee
2007	Vice President - Honors
2006	Vice President - Membership
2003	Programs Committee - Chair
2001	Design Awards Committee - Chair
1998 - 1999	AIA Homes Tour Committee - Chair
1996 - 1999	Programs Committee



### **AIA Dallas**

2020 - 2021 Columns Magazine - Advisory Board (Print, Digital and Social Media Distribution - 8,000 readers)
2015 Convention Host Committee

### Raised the Chapter's Effectiveness and Public Profile

When the executive director of AIA Fort Worth retired after 40 years, Paul reinvented the position and developed a strategic plan to improve member service, raise the position's profile to promote architects' knowledge, expertise, and agenda in the community and to engage involvement by emerging professionals. He redefined the position, implemented changes and then led the chapter through the transition, search and hiring of a new executive director. [LEADERSHIP]

As president in 2010, Paul led the chapter's responses to a series of critical city-wide issues. He made architects voices influential in a series of important issues on the built environment, including a public forum on the addition to the Kimbell Art Museum and guidelines at the core of downtown development. [ADVOCACY]

In 2011, as a member of the Long-Range Planning task force, Paul began a policy of having committee chairs participate in annual retreat sessions with incoming leadership, which resulted in continuity of leadership and reduced the time lost in yearly board transition. [ADVOCACY] [LEADERSHIP]

### **AIA LOCAL COMPONENTS**

Led the Establishment of the Fort Worth Center for Architecture





In 2009, Paul also developed competition guidelines for design of the Fort Worth Architecture Center- the third in Texas - and worked with the winning firm to manage costs and scheduling of the construction of the center, which opened in 2010. He also led the chapter through its first year in its facility. He designed the programming to allow the center to act as its own profit center and ensure the programming would be a member service throughout the year. The center housed the chapter offices as well as lecture and exhibit space. Paul developed programs for members and the public and collaborated with other AIA components to share programming and exhibits. The center became an important venue for lectures, exhibitions, and AIA public outreach. [LEADERSHIP]

### **Increased Support for Students**

Paul campaigned for and established a long-term commitment to the scholarship program at the University of Texas at Arlington College of Architecture, Planning and Public Affairs (CAPPA). This increased the chapter's annual scholarship support and created an endowment fund at the university of more than \$150,000 with yearly scholarships averaging \$5,000 each. AIA Fort Worth awards three scholarships annually: one through the Texas Architectural Foundation and two at the UTA-CAPPA; one to junior and senior level students and the other to women in architecture. To date 65.5% of the scholarships awarded have gone to minority recipients. [EDUCATION]

### **Mentored High School Students**

As chapter president Paul also led the chapter's high school mentorship program, a semester-long program hosted at professional firms to expose students to architecture through sketching and models. Twenty-five students participated in the first high school outreach program and presented their design work to parents and family. The mentorship program was recognized with a TxA Honor Award in 2016. [EDUCATION]

### **Academia**

For over 12 years Paul, lectured, and engaged student in design juries and has taught design-build studio at The University of Texas at Arlington and Texas Christian University (see pages 11 and 12). He established a scholarship in the name of his late wife and partner, Sandra Dennehy, AIA, that is dedicated to advancing promising design students and easing the burdensome cost of a college education. His focus is on developing presentation skills and client engagement, fostering collaboration between students and practicing professionals, and developing of the next generation of AIA members through AIAS mentoring programs. [EDUCATION]

"The Dean's Excellence **Endowment Scholarship** is one of the most farreaching endowments established at the UTA School of Architecture. It supports scholarships, international initiatives and early education initiatives that have broadened the learning experience for so many of our students. The endowment is a lasting testament to the work that Paul has done in his mentorship and leader of the next generation of architects. We are deeply grateful for the impact that this endowment has made for countless students."

> Brad Bell - Director School of Architecture University of Texas at Arlington

### **ACADEMIA**









University of Texas at Arlington College of Architecture, Planning and Public Affairs (CAPPA)

Architecture 5592 - Juror 4<sup>th</sup> Year Studio – 2021 Summer Northside Housing Studio

Architecture 2511 - Juror 2nd Year Interior Studio – 2019 Fall Women's Federation Building

Architecture 3554 - Juror 3rd Year Studio – 2019 Spring Collective Dwelling in Mexico City

Architecture 5592 - Juror 4<sup>th</sup> Year Studio – 2018 Spring Latino Cultural Center for the Arts

Architecture 5672 - Juror 4<sup>th</sup> Year Studio – 2017 Summer North Fort Worth Library

Architecture 4557 - Juror 4<sup>th</sup> Year Studio – 2017 Border Town – Laredo- Nuevo Laredo

Architecture 5594 - Juror Graduate Studio - 2017

Architecture 5672 - Juror Graduate Studio -2017 University of Texas at Arlington College of Architecture, Planning and Public Affairs (CAPPA) Continued

Architecture 5594 - Juror Graduate Studio - 2016

Center for Metropolitan Density Studio - Juror Fall and Spring 2012 and 2013

Architecture 2551 - Juror Freshman Studio – Fall 2012 House Based on Modern Precedents

Interior Design 4368 - Juror Interior Design Detailing – Fall 2010

AIA Fort Worth - Juror Student Design Awards - 2010

Interior Design 3555 - Juror Studio II – Spring 2010

Design/Build Studio - Juror Spring 2005 Adjunct Professor

### **Texas Christian University**

Juror, Interior Design Studio 4368 - Spring 2011 - Juror Bridges, Rivers and Lights

### University of Texas at Arlington School of Architecture Center for the City, 2018- 2019

Paul's firm hosted studio space for the University of Texas at Arlington School of Architecture community engagement program Center for the City. This studio undertakes citywide design projects to address neighborhoods and their connective corridor by working directly with community organizers and city staff to develop innovative strategies for neighborhood stability. This professionally supervised program gives students practice experience of and uses architecture's voice to create credible responses to city hall, city council and the community. [ADVOCACY]

### **COMMUNITY LEADERSHIP**

### **Berry Street Initiative**

Member: 2012 - 2016

Executive Committee: 2015 - 2018

Established in 1996, this grassroots organization brings together neighborhoods and businesses that abut the five-mile length of Berry Street from Texas Christian University to I-35 to create a visually attractive commercially viable, active, and safe urban environment. Paul has advocated for sustainable and affordable student housing and elevated diverse community voices through meaningful dialogue with a focus on promoting economic and social equity, environmental sustainability, and healthy communities

He leveraged two Sustainable Development Fund Grants totaling over \$2M from the North Central Texas Council of Governments. He garnered the 20% public partnership portion by engaging Texas Christian University as a major stakeholder in the boulevard development. This initiative led to the adoption of a Transit Oriented Design Guidelines and a Form Based Code for Berry Street. This effective engagement revealed community need, fostered trust and equitable design solutions. [ADVOCACY]

### **Evans / Rosedale Redevelopment**

Neighborhood Advocate

In 2004, Paul began working in this often-neglected African American neighborhood near downtown Fort Worth to explore how a community-focused design practice can promote economic and social equity, environmental sustainability, and healthy communities. He developed the area master plan, which is anchored by two new civic buildings, is sensitive to maintaining the adjacent neighborhood fabric, and introduces essential neighborhood infrastructure that had not existed for over 40 years.

For one year, he engaged with the community at monthly community meetings to foster engagement in shaping the future of the neighborhood. By addressing issues such as resiliency, social justice, and equity, the neighborhood began to trust and understand the power of their voices in shaping the built environment. [ADVOCACY]

### **LECTURES / PANELS**















2021	AIA National Strategic Council Diversity Across AIA - Presenter
2021	AIA Board Visibility Network Scalable Climate Action - Presenter
2020	Princeton University Architecture History Fort Worth Museum District - Lecture Fort Worth, Texas
2019	AIA Center for Architecture Practice in Fort Worth - Voices - Lecture Fort Worth, Texas
2018	The University of Texas at Arlington Strong Neighborhoods Initiative- Presenter Fort Worth, Texas
2017	Texas Society of Architects President's Visit 17 AIA components - Speaker
2017	Careers in Architecture University of Texas at Arlington Panel Speaker Arlington, Texas
2017	Building in the Public Realm Architectural Record (Record on the Road) Presenter Nasher Sculpture Center – Dallas, Texas
2015	Texas Society of Architects Annual Conference Staying Small and Thriving - Presenter Dallas, Texas

2015 AIA Large States Forum - Presenter

Chicago, Illinois

2009	Residential Styles Board of Realtors Symposium - Presenter Fort Worth, Texas
2013	Texas Society of Architects Convention Fort Worth Convention - Presenter Fort Worth Cultural District Tour Texas Christian University Campus Tour Architectural Photography - Moderator
2012	Pecha Kucha 4 Days-10,000 Bricks-4 Sunsets Fort Worth, Texas
2010	The Gruen Plan Symposium- Lecturer Fort Worth, Texas
2010	Architects Ephemeral Practices - Lecturer Fort Worth, Texas
2010	Kimbell Art Museum Expansion Symposium - Lecturer Fort Worth, Texas

### **EXHIBITIONS**

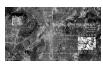








CROSS SECTION





2021	The House of Asterior - The Single-Family House Fort Worth Community Arts Center Fort Worth, Texas
2018	Building on the Prairie Fort Worth Community Arts Center Fort Worth, Texas
2018	Building on the Prairie- AMoA Biennial 600 Amarillo Museum of Art Amarillo, Texas
2014	A House For: Center for Architecture Forth Worth, Texas
2013	Cross Section Center for Architecture Fort Worth, Texas
2013	House For: Center for Architecture Forth Worth Texas

2013 House For....:
Center for Architecture
Forth Worth, Texas

2013 Cross Section – A Sunday House
Center for Architecture
Fort Worth, Texas

2012 Sketchbook Exhibit
Center for Architecture
Fort Worth, Texas

2012 A House For....:
Center for Architecture

Forth Worth, Texas

2012 Postcards Center for Architecture Fort Worth, Texas Architecture's Ephemeral Practices Sketchbooks - Center for Architecture Fort Worth, Texas Architect's Models Exhibit 2011 Center for Architecture Fort Worth, Texas 2010 Cross Section Center for Architecture Fort Worth, Texas 2010 Perspective 4 Center for Architecture Fort Worth, Texas 2004 Cross Section

2004 Cross Section
Fort Worth Community Areas Center
Fort Worth, Texas
2003 Art by Architects
Edmund Craig Gallery
Fort Worth, Texas

### 2.2 AWARDS HONORS AND RECOGNITION

### **AWARDS**



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### **Personal Awards**

2018 Presidents Medal in Recognition of Extraordinary Service Texas Society of Architects

2017 AIA Fort Worth Community Award

AIA Fort Worth Chapter

Awarded to an individual for contributing to the promotion, understanding, and appreciation, and advancement of architecture.

2016 James D. Pfluger, FAIA Community Service Award

Texas Society of Architects

The Texas Society of Architects Award for Community Service recognizes a single individual member for an extended commitment to community service and significant contributions to the community evidenced in a positive impact on urban environmental, or neighborhood issues.

2013 James R. Wooten Service Award

AIA Fort Worth Chapter

Awarded to the American Institute of Architects Fort Worth Chapter member who best exemplifies the characteristics of sustained, consistent and effective service in accomplishing the goals of the chapter.

2012 President's Award

AIA Fort Worth Chapter

The American Institute of Architects Fort Worth Chapter President's Award recognized and honors a person in the community for their support of the chapter and the Institute.

2003 President's Award

AIA Fort Worth Chapter

The American Institute of Architects Fort Worth Chapter President's Award recognized and honors a person in the community for their support of the chapter and the Institute.

### 2.2 AWARDS HONORS AND RECOGNITION

### **AWARDS**











### Design Awards

- 2017 AIA Fort Worth Prototype Infill House Studio Award
- 2017 Tandy Hills Pavilion Design Competition First Place Pavilion on the Prairie
- 2017 AMoA Biennial 600 Architecture -Amarillo Museum of Modern Art Juried Exhibition
- 2017 Topping Out Award- Fort Worth Nature Center Boardwalk and Pavilion Juried Design Award TOP TEN Project
- 2014 Leicester B. Holland Prize Library of Congress and the National Park Service
- 2009 Historic Fort Worth Preservation Award Tommy Tucker Building Restoration
- 2009 Texas Library Association Libraries Change Communities Award Ella Mae Gratts Shamblee Branch Library
- 2008 Fort Worth Weekly Best Public Architecture/Editor's Choice Ella Mae Gratts Shamblee Branch Library
- 2006 AlA Fort Worth Merit Award Good Shepherd Catholic Church, Colleyville, Texas Architect of Record (Design Architect was Jim Bransford, AlA)
- 2003 Arlington Historic Society Citation of Appreciation Master Plan for Heritage Center at Vandergriff Park
- 2002 Historic Fort Worth Preservation Award Rose/Marine Theater
- 1999 Bird House Competition AIA Fort Worth
- 1998 AGC -Quality in Construction Award Delaney Vineyards
- 1994 AIA Dallas Merit Award Heritage Middle School Colleyville, Texas
- 1983 F. Schenk-Henry Gillette Woodman Award University of Pennsylvania

### 2.3 PUBLICATIONS

### PUBLISHED STORIES ABOUT PAUL M. DENNEHY, AIA

















2021	"Tour de Force" 817 HOME Magazine - March	2016	"Exceptional Architecture" Construction News – October
2018	"Inside Out" 360 West Magazine - October	2015	"The Primacy of Sketching" Civism and Cities Blog – January
2018	"A House Grows Up" 360 West Magazine - March	2015	"National Award for Broadview Park Design" Bluestem News – April/June
2018	"Empty Nesting" 817 HOME Magazine - March	2015	"AIA-HABS Report" AIA Architect's Knowledge Report
2018	"Social Impact" AIA Architect - 21 February	2014	"2014 Leicester B. Holland Prize Awarded" Preservation Architect – December
2017	"Border Wall Statement" Texas Architect – September/November	2014	"Preservation Architect – Leicester B. Holland Prize" AIA Architect's Knowledge Resource Report
2017	"Best New Architecture – Tandy Hills Pavilion" Fort Worth Weekly – September	2013	"A visit to Swan House" Cenizo Journal
2017	"How Texas AIA Chapters & Cultural Institutions fared during Hurricane Harvey"	2012	"Fort Worth: A Personal View" By Phil Vinson and Quentin McGown
	The Architect's Newspaper – September	2010	"Photography" Texas Society of Architects Blog
2017	"Eye on the Storm" The Architect's Newspaper Blog September	2003	"Deep Roots- Many Branches" TxA CheckSet
2017	"The Story Teller" 360 West Magazine - March	1999	"Living Room" Fort Worth Star Telegram
2017	"Nature Walk" 360 West Magazine - June		
2016	"Una vista a Swan House" Letras Libres – March		

### 2.3 PUBLICATIONS

### **AUTHORED WORK BY PAUL M. DENNEHY, AIA**

AIA Fort Worth Newsletter, July

"The Ridglea Theater Needs a Hand" AIA Fort Worth Newsletter, August









2010

2021	"Scalable Climate Action" AIA Strategic Council Climate Action Workgroup	2010	"Staying Involved"  AIA Fort Worth Newsletter, September
	Published at AIA.org - Fall 2021	2010	"A Job Well Done"  AIA Fort Worth Newsletter, October
2020	"Beyond 2030" AIA Strategic Council Climate Action Workgroup American Institute of Architects	2010	"Design Like You Give a Damn"  AIA Fort Worth Newsletter, November
2014	"Ephemeral Practices"  AIA Architect	2010	AIA – Fort Worth Style AIA Fort Worth Newsletter, December
2013	"Fort Worth Is An Arts Town, but," Fort Worth Star Telegram	2010	What Works Fort Worth Star Telegram 184,000 Subscribers, 19,298 On-line Viewers / Month
2010	"Palimpsest" AIA Fort Worth Newsletter, January	2010	Ridglea Theater Deserves a Bailout Fort Worth Star Telegram, Historic Fort Worth Blog 184,000 Subscribers, 19,298 On-line Viewers / Month
2010	"Grassroots, Grass Roofs" AIA Fort Worth Newsletter, February	Videos	
2010	"Tell the Tale Detail" AIA Fort Worth Newsletter, March	2013	74th Annual Texas Society of Architects Conven- Video Transformation Fort Worth, Texas
2010	"Find Your Center" AIA Fort Worth Newsletter, April	2012	73rd Annual Texas Society of Architects Convention Video - Influence
2010	"A River, Two Cows and an Architect" AIA Fort Worth Newsletter, May	Docum 2008	Austin, Texas nentary Film The Rose - A Sense of Place
2010	"Play Ball" AIA Fort Worth Newsletter, June	2000	Architectural Consultant Fort Worth, Texas
2010	"Summer School (earning a good Fellowship)"		

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### AIA STRATEGIC COUNCIL

Building a more Diverse, Resilient, and Empowered Profession 1 2019 - 2021



01



Strategic Council Handbook and Practice Guide

### Challenge

Provide future-focused leadership as an AIA Strategic Councilor. Advance the profession through innovative thought, research, and collaborative engagement with the AIA Board, committees and national components on the most critical issues facing AIA's 95,000 members, the entire profession and society.

### Role

As a Strategic Councilor, Paul led the Institute on initiatives of sustainability leadership and diverse representation in AIA membership. He leveraged Strategic Council and TxA membership support for Resolution 19-11: Urgent Sustainable Climate Action passed at the 2019 AIA Conference. He chaired the Forecast Knowledge Workgroup in 2019 and was a key leader of the Beyond 2030 Workgroup (2020) and the Scalable Climate Action Workgroup (2021). Each advanced the role of AIA in climate leadership and education across membership.

As the Best Practices Committee chair, Paul reworked council policies to align with increased leadership opportunities created by the new AIA 50 States Governance Model. He led the Diversity Sprint to garner Council approval to provide the Council's Best Practice Guidelines to all AIA components as a resource for understanding the Council and selecting future Councilors. Consulting closely with Renee Yancey, AIA's Sr VP of External Workforce and EDI Strategies, he led the rewrite of the Best Practices Guidelines to reflect fairness and equity across the entire leadership of the AIA membership.

He served on AIA Gold Medal juries that selected Marlon Blackwell, FAIA, Sir Richard Rogers, RIBA, and Edward Mazria, FAIA as recipients of this distinguished award in 2019, 2020 and 2021.

### **Outcome**

- In 2019, Paul was part of the year-long Council engagement sessions to update the AIA 2021-2025 Strategic Plan that reinforced a commitment to excellence in the education and leadership development of design professionals for the 21st century.
- Paul's critical work on the Scalable Climate Action and Beyond 2030 workgroups has bolstered the AIA 'Big Move' toward environmental stewardship and bought everyday climate action to the membership by focusing on fundamental carbon literacy, ESG investments, strengthened contract documents and ethics. The Scalable Climate Action report will be published during the fall of 2021 on aia.org.
- The Institute is evolving to reflect the broad experiences and growing diversity of its membership. The "you must do your time" mentality of the past is giving way to greater collaborations, opportunity, and community engagement and a redefining of AIA members' role in society through Institute policy, commitment, and action.

### **DECLARATION**

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Betsy del Monte, FAIA AIA Bethune Fellow

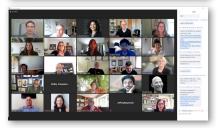
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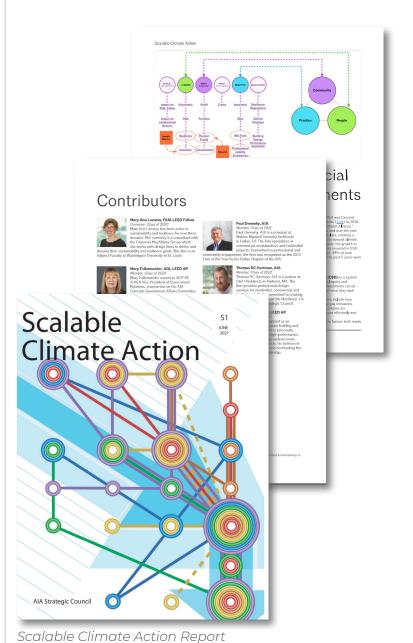
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2020 AIA Strategic Council Call (above)





### **TEXAS SOCIETY OF ARCHITECTS**

Creating New Leadership Models | 2009 - 2017



02

### Challenge

Lead a multi-year transformation in both leadership and membership of the Texas Society of Architects and AIA/Fort Worth that align TxA and all its 17 components with the American Institute of Architects goals and values.

### Role

Through his years of Institute service, Paul has developed a unique and deep understanding of the workings of AIA and its components as well as his unique ability to build consensus and inspire action have strengthened AIA's and its 7.400 Texas members.

As TxA President, Paul appointed the most diverse board in TxA history. Seeking out people with fresh ideas and unique perspectives from outside the established pipeline to take on leadership roles, engendering a younger and more diverse slate of board and committee members. He established TxA's first Equity Diversity and Inclusion Task Force in 2017 (see also exhibit 6). As chair of the TxA membership committee, he connected with Texas architecture schools to promote AIA membership to students and recent graduates - supporting their involvement with relevant content and opportunities for professional development.

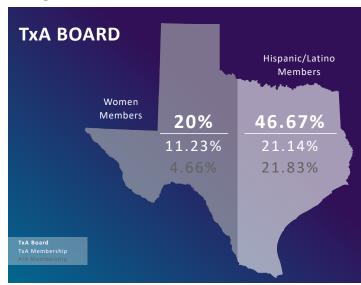
As AIA Fort Worth President, Paul led the chapter in establishing the chapter's Architecture Center and guided the chapter through its first year in the Center. He led the chapter through its first Executive Director search and hire in forty years. This transition became an opportunity to reshape the chapter's profile to an outward facing component acting as voice for architecture.

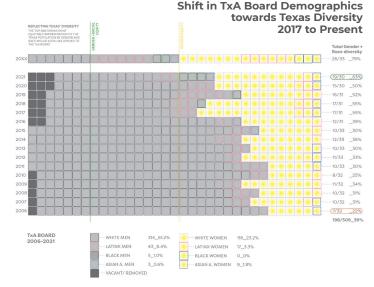


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Jeff Potter, FAIA 2015 Texas Society of Architects President





### **TEXAS SOCIETY OF ARCHITECTS**

Creating New Leadership Models | 2009 - 2017





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### Outc

## Event Meet 2017 TxA President Paul Dennehy



Paul leading discussions with Liz Ogbu and Claire Weisz Studio WXY (upper left) Paul presenting at 1 of the 17 chapter visits he completed across Texas (lower left) 2017 TxA Board with AIA

President Tom Vanier, FAIA

(far right)

### **Outcome**

- Paul has advanced equity throughout all 17 TxA components weaving EDI into the fabric of TxA at all levels. He has aligned committees with the Institute's Strategic Plan and positioned a major Institute component for long-term growth and success.
- Membership grew from 6,190 in 2011 to 6,800 in 2017 and represented 8% percent of the national AIA membership six 2012. Sixty three percent of registered architects in Texas are also AIA members the highest percentage in the country.
- Paul solidified TxA and AIA/Fort Worth as voices for architecture and community engagement. The success of the new EVP search and the restructuring of the component to be more outward facing has attracted younger members to leadership and involvement.







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### **HURRICANE HARVEY**

Responding to Short and Long-Term Climate Crises | 2017 [LEADERSHIP]

### **DECLARATION**

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> Leadership and board activities described.

James Perry, Hon. AIA Texas Society of Architects **Executive Vice-President** (Retired)

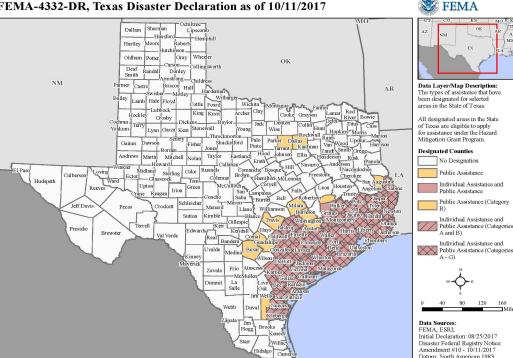
### Challenge

Hurricane Harvey made landfall in Texas and Louisiana in August 2017 and parked itself over Texas for four days. Many areas received 40 inches of rain (Jefferson County on the Texas/Louisiana border received 60 inches) and experienced unprecedented flooding, forcing more than 17,000 rescues. Hundreds of thousands of homes and businesses were flooded and more than 30,000 people were displaced. More than 100 people were killed.

### Role

As TxA president, Paul mobilized an immediate disaster response and provided damage assessment assistance to the 38 hardest hit counties in South Texas. (See exhibit map). He placed Safety-Assessment Program certified architects in the field and coordinated state disaster response with the national AIA Disaster Assistance Program. He engaged and commissioned FEMA Damage Assessment Operation Trainers to certify additional architects from Texas, Louisiana, and Oklahoma to be deployed. He facilitated long-term training and educational events and coordinated with the TxA political action committee (TAC) and AIA regarding legislation to protect design professionals volunteering with the post-disaster assessments from liability.

FEMA-4332-DR, Texas Disaster Declaration as of 10/11/2017









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FEMA map of declared disaster areas (left) Ariel photo of Houston flooding (upper right) Photo of Houston flood damage(middle right) Photo of assessors with firemen (lower right)

03

### **HURRICANE HARVEY**

Responding to Short and Long-Term Climate Crises | 2017



2017 Resiliency presentation in Austin, Texas (Left to right) John Clegg, AIA, PAIGE, Catherine Calloway, AIA - Univ. of Houston, Josh Prince-Ramos, AIA, REX, Michael Ford, AIA BRANDNU Design, John Englander -Oceanographer

### Outcome

- Provided immediate 'in field' damage assessment to accelerate disaster recovery efforts and coordinated
  alternate office and business support for AIA member firms. Established immediate and long-term relationships
  with local building departments and offices of emergency management & disaster preparedness in Louisiana
  and Oklahoma.
- Established a statewide system for renewal and first-time training in Safety Assessment for members. By working with state legislators and TxA lobbyist, he accelerated the Texas Governor's Good Samaritan Act declaration regarding liability protection and portability of licensure for design professionals volunteering in government-declared disasters.
- Brought the resiliency conversation to the fore by inviting internationally recognized thought leaders to the 2017 annual conference to discuss climate change and to position architects to lead in addressing the impacts of climate change.
- In the immediate years after Hurricane Harvey, the TxA Codes committee continued to engage Houston and its surrounding hurricane zone municipalities to strengthen building codes and resilience with design-driven strategies, including increased minimum elevation requirements, strengthened water detention requirements, and updating flood plain regulations.





2017 Resiliency presentation in Austin, Texas (left)

### 04

### LIFE LONG LEARNING - TEXAS SOCIETY OF ARCHITECTS CONVENTION

Re-imagining Continuing Education | | 2004 - 2021



### Challenge

Re-imagine one of the largest architectural conferences in the United States. Attract younger and diverse group professionals and provide education offerings that align with the challenges of 21st century practice. Provide content to develop the next generation of leaders by responding to the needs of emerging professionals at their current career stages.

### Role

As chair of the TxA Conference Futures Committee, Paul identified the need to expand the continuing education delivery framework to include all members regardless of their level of professional experience. He led the committee and TxA staff to develop a new conference platform balanced between continuing education sessions, guided tours, and a curated product expo that provide high-quality leading-edge thought, practice, and technology for 21st century practice.

Paul transformed the traditional convention into a conference with expanded in-person and video educational offerings. He broadened the event to include multiple internationally known keynote speakers, expanded courses on design innovation, practice, community engagement and digital technology. He aligned courses with tours to create interest paths and subject immersion on elements of practice and design.

In 2013, Paul secured two multi-year sponsorships from major national suppliers including Acme Brick and Anderson Windows. He broadened year-round sponsorship strategies for Conference sponsors to align with year-round continuing education offerings. Paul also engaged architecture universities around the state to increase student and educator attendance and provided a venue within the conference for the presentation of academic papers and research for peer review.

### **DECLARATION**I have personal knowledge of the nominee's responsibility for the exhibit listed above.

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That responsibility included:

Lawrence W. Speck, FAIA 2013 Texas Society of Architects President



2016 Convention Futures Committee Meeting in Austin, Texas (left)

### LIFE LONG LEARNING - TEXAS SOCIETY OF ARCHITECTS CONVENTION

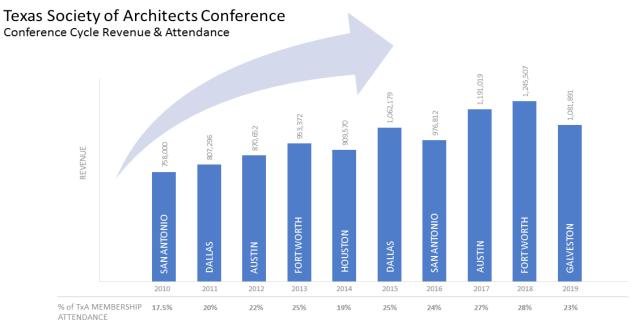
Re-imagining Continuing Education | 2013 - 2021

### **Outcomes**

- This mid-continent regional conference provides provide much needed access to continuing education to architects practicing in rural areas of Texas, the surrounding states, and the Midwest. Architects from 17 states attend the conference annually.
- Positioned Institute members, regardless of career status, to be engaged, active and informed on issues relevant to practice in the 21st century.
- Intensified emerging professional programming to accelerate licensure and provide exposure to a wide variety of projects, practice options and community engagement.
- The TxA Conference has become the second largest architectural conference in the country with an average attendance of 3,000 and reliably generating more than \$950,000 of non-dues revenue annually. Representatives from AIA components including Colorado, Minnesota, Oklahoma, New Mexico, Florida, California, and Wisconsin have attended the conference to gather ideas to implement into their own conferences.

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### ADDING VALUE TO THE INSTITUTE





### MENTORSHIP

05

Expanding Access to the Profession | 2000 - 2017



# ASSOCIATE MANIFESTO

### Challenge

Develop a more accessible membership pathway that mitigates structural barriers to architectural education and mentoring opportunities for students and emerging professionals as a strategy for diversifying the future profession.

### Role

As TxA President, Paul established a task force to coordinate with the Texas Education Agency (TEA) in establishing a High School Certificate Program in architecture. The goal was for TxA to act as a liaison with the eight accredited Texas architecture schools to ensure a class and course structure that would be accepted by universities and to provide inclusive access to students not historically exposed to the profession.

Paul created and advised the Career Building Committee with the charge to seek innovative ways to mentor and provide resources for young architects and emerging professionals (EPs). He appointed Laura Wright, AIA to lead this committee. The CBC formed a statewide mentorship program that connects EPs (associate members and architects licensed within 10 years) with seasoned architect members, the majority being members of the AIA College of Fellows.

As Fort Worth chapter president, he established the High School Mentorship Program, a semester-long immersive program whose meetings took place in a variety of professional firms – exposing student to real firm settings. This mentorship program was recognized with a TxA Honor Award in 2016 for its innovative program and curriculum.

### **DECLARATION**

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Brandon Allen, AlA Brandon Allen Architects AlA Fort Worth FP Committee







### TXA HIGH SCHOOL DIPLOMA CERTIFICATE FOR ARCHITECTURE

### **Course Requirements**

4 Foundation Courses in Architecture-Required

ARCH 1311 Introduction to Architecture ARCH 1301 Architectural History I ARCH 1302 Architectural History II

ARCH 2301 Architectural Freehand Drawing

2 Courses of Technical Computer-Aided Design (CAD)

2-4 Courses of Technical Major Electives
Illustration, computer graphics, Freehand Drawing II, Animation and
Rendering, Intro to the Construction Industry, Green Building, Architectural
Drafting-Residential

### 05

### **MENTORSHIP**

Expanding Access to the Profession | | 2011 - 2017



# 2018 Design Review at UTA

### **Outcome**

- The Career Building Committee created ways to gain credibility with, and the support of, emerging professional, to increase and retain membership, and to encourage their involvement. The program forms mentorship 'families 'that consist of one experienced architect and several EPs at slightly different stages of their career to collaborate, share, and learn from one another. EPs are also encouraged to conduct monthly meetings and take on leadership roles in organizing activities for their mentorship 'family'.
- Created an avenue for students to have a foundational architectural education while still in high school. This program re-imagines architectural education to be responsive to emerging trends, inclusive of under-served audiences, and oriented toward the future role of the architect. To date, the high school certificate program services 15 community colleges throughout Texas. Twenty-five high schools around Texas offer architecture programs. Paul ensured the program would have a broad reach by establishing an online resource guide at https://texasarchitects.org/hscp/ for those seeking high school dual credit programs and architecture career information.

### **Awards**

AIA Fort Worth Mentorship Committee - Honor Award - Texas Society of Architects - 2010



"As a first-generation Latino college student, and as is the case for many that come from underserved communities, I found it somewhat challenging to find a place in the architecture profession. Seeing [Paul] serve as the president of the Texas Society of Architects and producing high quality design work was nothing short of heroic. It was at that point in my career that I began to serve in my local chapter as chair of Latinos in Architecture and have continued to serve on committees locally and at the state level"

Dennis A. Chiessa, Assoc. AIA Assistant Professor of Architecture School of Architecture University of Texas at Arlington

2018 Princeton University Kimbell Art Museum Tour and Lecture (left)

06

### **ADVOCACY**

Amplifying the Voice of Architects in the Public Sphere | 1 | 2003 - 2021









### **DECLARATION**

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Paul Bielamowicz, AIA 2016 Texas Society of Architects President

### Challenge

Amplify the voices of architects and raise awareness of the profession's role in shaping healthy and equitable communities. Strengthen the Institutes goals and initiative with a unified and informed voice from the local community level to the national legislative level.

### Role

Since the early 2000s, Paul has made frequent visits to the U.S. and Texas Capitol. He understands that elected officials are a powerful body for shaping policy that affect the profession and communities across the country. From the AIA Strategic Council, TxA President, component president and as an engaged AIA member he has consistently advocated for those issues so important to the Institute - climate leadership, social justice, infrastructure investment, business friendly tax policies and safe schools.

During his terms as TxA president, Paul created the Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion Task Force to craft the first EDI statement for TxA and begin to address internal systems and structures that create barriers to diversity. Paul initiated and received board approval for an official statement on the construction of a wall along the southern US border and the ecological damage perpetrated by a wall running from the Gulf of Mexico to the Pacific Ocean. Paul advocated for climate leadership in the immediate aftermath of 2017's Hurricane Harvey and pivoted annual conference programming to include world renowned climate change speakers and the need for resilient design.







2013 Capitol Hill Day, Washington DC (left) 2013 Capitol Hill Day Visit - US Rep. Kay Granger (upper middle) 2017 Capitol Hill Day, Austin, TX (lower middle) 2019 Capitol Hill Day, Washington DC (right)



### ADVOCACY

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Amplifying the Voice of Architects in the Public Sphere | 1 | 2003 - 2021

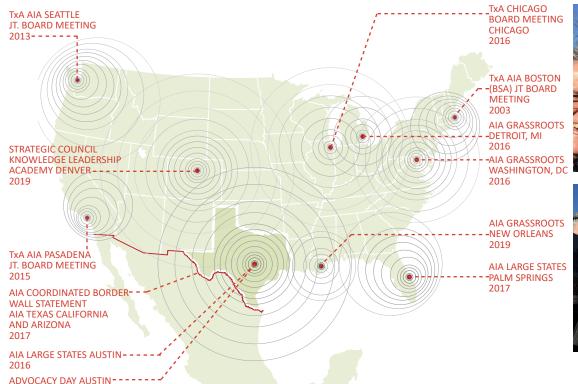






### Outcome

- Pauls' leadership and advocacy positions AIA architects at the center of policy discussions surrounding the built environment. His advocacy and consistent messaging illustrate the value of active engagement, like that practiced by architects every day, can be employed to advance Institute goals and initiatives.
- The original EDI Task Force became a standing TxA committee in 2020. The Committee has grown to be a highly functioning group committed to both social and professional engagement. They routinely collaborate with other TxA committees to ensure a diversity of thought is being represented. Additionally, the committee develops continuing education events on diversity training and awareness throughout the year.
- Strengthened coordinating messaging between state components and laid the groundwork for unified messaging across AIA components to speak on AIA Where We Stand positions, equity, and human rights.







2019 Capital visit with Dan Hart, FAIA (above)

AIA President Carle Elefante's response to the 2017 Texas Society of Architects joint Border Wall Statement:

"AIA National strongly supports our components and chapters, whose boards of directors have tried to make sense of the administration's request for wall fundina."

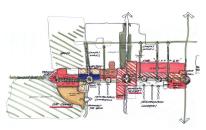
Carl Elefante, FAIA 2018 AIA President 2011 - 2021

07

### **BERRY STREET INITIATIVE**

Engaged Community Advocacy | 2000 - 2021





Neighborhood engagement (upper) Master Planning Sketch (lower)

### **DECLARATION**

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Leadership and advocacy activities described.

Fernando Costa City of Fort Worth Assistant City Manager

### Challenge

Advance the vision of the non-profit Berry Street Initiative to unify neighborhoods and businesses that abut the five-mile length of a major urban corridor. To create a visually attractive Berry Street that is commercially viable and active, with places for people to live, learn, work, shop, recreate, interact socially, and enjoy a special urban environment safely.

### Role

Since 1996, Paul has been actively engaged in neighborhood advocacy in Fort Worth. Paul's work demonstrates how a design practice can actively volunteer the architects specialized knowledge to promote economic and social equity, environmental sustainability, and healthy communities. Paul has advocated for sustainable and affordable student housing and elevated diverse community voices through meaningful dialogue with a focus on long-term engagement fostering trust and equitable design solutions.



TEXAS CHRISTIAN UNIVERSITY . BERRY STREET

Neighborhood Context

Texas Christian University District Concept Plan (right)

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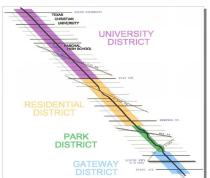
### **BERRY STREET INITIATIVE**

Engaged Community Advocacy | 2000 - 2021









BSI in-fill housing density (upper) BSI workshop meeting (middle) BSI District Map (lower)

### Outcome

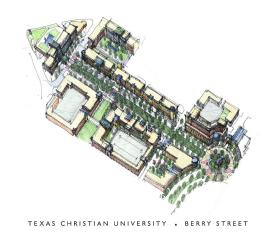
- Forged strong neighborhood awareness and support for the corridor redevelopment via presentations and 'Town Hall' meetings. Demonstrating how civil purpose can be mainstreamed in everyday practice and became a model for other firms across the country.
- Leveraged two Sustainable Development Fund Grants totaling over \$2M from the North Central Texas Council of Governments through public/private partnerships. Garnered the 20% public partnership portion by engaging Texas Christian University as a major stakeholder in the boulevard development.
- The re-development initiative led to the adoption of a Transit Oriented Design Guidelines and a Form Based Code for the entirety of Berry Street. The development has sparked continuing development by public entities and private developers to the present day.
- Increased value of the profession by addressing the broad concerns of the abutting neighborhoods, such as resiliency and social justice, by practicing greater equity, the profession increases its value to society as well as its visibility among potential partners and future practitioners.

### **Awards**

James D. Pfluger, FAIA Community Service Award - Texas Society of Architects - 2016

James R. Wooten, FAIA Community Service Award - American Institute of Architects/Fort Worth Chapter - 2015

The Greater Fort Worth Real Estate Council - Recognition of Excellence 2006





Texas Christian University . Berry street

Texas Christian University

District Planning

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### **ELLA MAE GRATTS SHAMBLEE PUBLIC LIBRARY - FORT WORTH**

Giving Voice to the Unrepresented | 2009





Historic grade school building 1950 (top) Neighborhood engagement (middle) Master Plan Sketch (Lower)

### **DECLARATION**

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> Fernando Costa City of Fort Worth Assistant Manager

### Challenge

Design a 21st century library that is a force for people and their interaction with information. No longer a place of transactional relationships, this library is a community partner and gathering place in a neighborhood that had not had a new commercial building built in 40 years.

### Role

As the lead designer and Project Architect, Paul integrated neighborhood needs to create an enriched library program by way of neighborhood and stakeholder engagement. Teaming with the Tarrant County Black Historical and Genealogical Society and the Evans/Rosedale Neighborhood Association in monthly community engagement meetings he created the core design directives for the project and gave a voice to a largely underrepresented sector of the city. Paul developed a strategic master plan for the neighbor the ensure the integrity of the existing housing to avoid gentrification and neighborhood erosion. Working with the Texas Historic Commission and the National Trust for Historic Preservation, the historic portion of the project was award National Register designated as a cultural landmark.

### Outcome

- Paul led the reclamation and reuse of the existing dilapidated school into a new learning environment that bridged the rich neighborhood history with 21st century learning needs and technologies.
- The Texas Library Association awarded the project Libraries Change Communities Award recognizing the collaborative community effort to promote library-based initiatives in Texas
- Incorporated nation arts program artwork into the project via collaboration with the Fort Worth Community Arts Program.
- The library has become a strong community anchor that enhances community engagement and has spurred new economic development in the Evans/Rosedale Urban Plan. Projects include a satellite city hall, retail and restaurants and professional office developments

### **Awards**

Historic Fort Worth Preservation Award - 2009 National Register for Historic Preservation – Cultural Historic Designation - 2009 Library Association – Libraries Change Communities Award - 2008

### **Architect / Architect of Record**

Dennehy Architects

08

### **ELLA MAE GRATTS SHAMBLEE PUBLIC LIBRARY - FORT WORTH**

Giving Voice to the Unrepresented | 2009





Library entrance (upper) Children's Reading Room (lower) Library Integrated with Historic School (right)



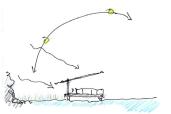
"Oh the lives that this building will touch. It whispers to our past and calls out to our future."

Dr. Gleniece A. Robinson Fort Worth Public Library Director (Retired)

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### FORT WORTH NATURE CENTER AND REFUGE

Advocating for the Environment | 2017









**DECLARATION** 

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Documentation and documentation described.

Suzanne Tuttle Fort Worth Nature Center & Refuge - Manager

### Challenge

Provide a physical study and experience platform on the Trinity River that provides shelter, safe water access for a wide variety of age groups and users from the region to explore, work and learn natural conservation through education, outreach, and field experience.

### Role

As the lead designer and project architect, Paul engaged Nature Center training staff and national conservation groups (The Nature Conservancy, the National Wildlife Federation, and the National Audubon Society) to develop low impact design features for the design and construction of the project components. Paul worked with the Corp of Engineers to develop design strategies for a flood and drought resistant structure that can be accessed year-round and not disrupt the waterway Working with the Texas Historic Commission and the National Trust for Historic Preservation, the historic portion of the project was award National Register designated as a cultural landmark.

### Outcome

- Today the Nature Center and refuge provides a safe learning environment for all age groups to experience
  near-urban natural habitats. It allows schools and nature study groups a place to extend classroom research
  into a natural setting of forest, prairie, and wetlands. The learning platform that is gracefully located in the river
  waterway provides a venue for inter-institutional cooperation and is a resource for river way and water quality
  studies.
- Additionally, the historic 1930 Civilian Conservation Corp (CCC) Shelter on the Nature Center grounds was documented by Paul and awarded the Leicester B. Holland Prize by the National Trust, The Historical American Building Survey, and the Library of Congress.

### **Awards**

Topping Out Award – 2017 Leicester B. Holland Prize - 2014

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Elevated Boardwalk (upper) River Classroom Platform (lower) Trinity River Classroom Platform (right)



"In my mind excellent architecture for natural areas is elegant and functional, enhancing not detracting from the scenic views. Paul achieved this beautifully in his design for the Nature Center & Refuge's boardwalk and pavilion. We are beneficiaries of the journey he asked us to take. He expanded our vision of what this place could be." Suzanne M. Tuttle, Manager (retired) Fort Worth Nature Center & Refuge Paul Dennehy, AIA