

# RAICupdate

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## Now LIVE! Online RAIC member directory

The RAIC now offers a state-of-the-art online membership directory on its web site. The directory is always current highlighting to the public and national and international clients — members' contact information<sup>1</sup>. Details can be sorted by name, practice or firm, membership category, city or province and, simply, alphabetically.

"This is an incredibly valuable feature for Architects. The RAIC often receives calls regarding contacts for Architects in a particular province and city," said **Jon Hobbs**, Architect, MRAIC, RAIC Executive Director. "This directory makes our members more accessible and in the business world that is invaluable."

The RAIC online Member Directory is just the beginning. The technology driving the online directory database now offers each member the opportunity to update contact information online and renew membership complete with a secure payment system (Moneris). It also delivers the RAIC monthly Bulletin directly to member's email boxes.

"And this is just the first step in change. Soon

visitors will be able to purchase documents and register for our courses online. In the future we hope to see an international section to showcase Canadian Architects and international opportunities," said Hobbs. "This is just the beginning — watch as the web site is transformed to reflect a renewed RAIC."



<sup>1</sup> In accordance to its Privacy Policy, the RAIC Member Directory lists only members who have agreed to have their personal contact information posted online.



## Working to promote Canadian Architects beyond our borders

The RAIC continues to work to support Canadian Architects around the world with meetings scheduled with representatives from the Architects Council of Europe (ACE), the American Institute of Architects (AIA) and l'Union internationale des architectes (UIA) early in 2005.

The RAIC's international strategy is to monitor and influence trade issues affecting the architectural profession; facilitate the negotiation of mutual recognition agreements; identify and disseminate

international architectural opportunities for RAIC members and market Canadian expertise and services abroad. Canadian Architects offer a distinct experience to developing countries in the area of cold-weather technology, green buildings, project delivery systems as well as in infrastructure buildings such as hospitals and schools.

Members should watch the RAIC web site for links to the Virtual Trade Commissioner and the establishment of a database of Canadian Architects with experience abroad.



## All eyes will look to the West . . .

### RAIC Festival 2005

Planning is well underway to showcase Edmonton, Alberta May 4-7, 2005 during the **RAIC Festival of Architecture**, which will focus on the theme: *Architecture, Art and Urban Design — Celebrating the City*. The city's vibrant downtown architecture will showcase the event — The Winspear Centre, City Hall, The Citadel Theatre, and the Shaw Conference Centre — will be the venues for lectures, exhibitions and special events.

The Festival includes a full day of professional development courses, a trade show, exhibitions of architectural work, art work and a number of architectural tours of Edmonton's attractions.

This annual event takes place in a different Canadian city each year offering delegates a chance to exchange ideas and listen to some of the professions' most forward thinkers.

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bration of Canadian Architecture and a time when the profession can get together and reflect on architectural practice and urbanism, as well as interact with clients and the public," said

**Christopher T. Fillingham**, FRAIC, RAIC President.

Some of the speakers include:

- **Jeremy Harris**, Mayor of Honolulu for more than 10 years, was the city's Managing Director before entering politics. Recently awarded honorary membership in the American Institute of Architects, he is known not only for his big-picture thinking and long-range planning for Honolulu but also for commissioning some of the fine architecture that makes Honolulu so liveable.
- **Kenneth Frampton** trained at the Architectural Association (AA) in London, England and moved to the United States in the 1960s. He is a prolific writer, architectural critic and theoretician, now based in New York City. He has to his credit, numerous critical and poetic books on modern and contemporary architecture and Architects and has written extensively on nineteenth and twentieth century Architectural history.
- **Rob Wellington Quigley**, an Architect based in San Diego, California well-known for contemporary solutions for social housing. His *202 Island Inn*, a single room occupancy hotel, was selected by Time as one of the "Ten Best Designs of 1992" and received a national AIA Honor Award. In recent years, he has completed a number of public buildings, social housing and community mixed use projects.

- **Ed Mazria** is founder and principal of the firm Mazria Odems Dzurec, a small design studio based in Santa Fe, New Mexico where innovation, experimentation and research is encouraged. He has completed a diverse number of award-winning architecture and planning projects from the Mt. Airy Public Library in North Carolina, to the Geneoeva Chavez Community Center, a 170,000 square foot sports complex in Santa Fe, New Mexico. He is known for his focus on sustainable design and focus on the importance of architecture to the health of the planet.

For more details and to register: [www.raicfestival2005.ca](http://www.raicfestival2005.ca).



### Supplement 3 brought to you by RAIC

Copies of Supplement 3 to the *Canadian Handbook of Practice*, produced by the RAIC is now available to all Canadian Architects through their provincial/territorial association of architects.



## Have you renewed your membership?

Try the RAIC's new online payment system. Along with the traditional membership categories — Architects, Interns or Intern Architects, Graduates, Faculty and Fellows — the RAIC now offers opportunities to become a Life Member and Student Associate. With the exception of the Student Associate, all these categories allow members to attach the **MRAIC** (Member of the Royal Architectural Institute of Canada) and **FRAIC** (Fellow of the Royal Architectural Institute of Canada) designations following their name — a recognized symbol of professionalism.

To reinforce the numerous roles held by qualified Architects in society, the RAIC encourages all licensed (or registered) Architects to also use the title "Architect" after their name as well as the appropriate designation **MRAIC** or **FRAIC**.

## Not an Architect? — don't despair ...

### New Affiliate category

RAIC's new Affiliate category offers those who support the architectural profession and would like to be informed and involved in the activities of the RAIC an opportunity to become a member. This category is offered not only to individuals but also to institutions and corporations and in many cases extends to all the employees of the company.

## Benefits of membership

**RAIC products and events:** discounts of up to 50% on all products and events, including the *Canadian Handbook of Practice*, *Festival of Architecture*, Professional Development programs, seminars, lectures, fees for awards submissions, and publications.

### RAIC Careers Online

The RAIC Careers Online is the ultimate destination for finding the best candidates and the best job opportunities in the Canadian architectural profession. This valuable service is always free to career seekers. Employers pay a minimal fee to post job opportunities.

### McGraw-Hill publications

RAIC members receive Sweets 2005 Canadian Construction Catalogue free of charge as well as savings on well-known publications.

- *Architectural Record* (40% off)
- *Dodge Pre-Design Leads*
- *Sweets General Building and Renovation Catalog, U.S. edition*
- Marshall & Swift Cost Estimating printed publications (available on-line)
- McGraw-Hill Ryerson and F.W. Dodge books, products and services
- McGraw-Hill Lifelong Learning CD
- *Engineering News-Record* (30% off).

**Associate AIA membership:** discounted rates for AIA International Associate membership, with access to AIArchitect (the AIA electronic newsletter), discounts on AIA contract documents, and a wide range of on-line and print professional support.

### National Master Specification (MasterFormat 2004 edition) and editing software

Purchase the *National Master Specification* from Innovative Technology through RAIC and receive a **10% discount**. Couple that with the renowned *NMS-Edit Professional* spec designer to get fast, accurate and high quality specifications.

### Auto and Home Insurance — Discounted Rates for RAIC Members!

Participation in the plan is completely voluntary and available to RAIC members and their full time staff. For applicants meeting the underwriting criteria, the RAIC rates of **up to 20% off** premiums are often among the best available.

### Group discount on life & disability insurance

The RAIC Association Insurance Plans offers the following types of insurance to Member Architects and Student Associates, at discounted group rates:

- Long Term Disability
  - Term Life Insurance for Members, Spouses and/or Dependants
  - Accidental Death and Dismemberment Insurance for Members or their entire families
- Administered by Welton Parent Inc., an Ottawa consulting firm.

### RAIC Mosaik MasterCard

Every time the RAIC Mosaik MasterCard is used, BMO Bank of Montreal makes a contribution to the RAIC at no additional cost. Funds raised through this Program help support the promotion of architecture and architectural excellence in Canada.