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JLI Leadership Program 2021 – Overview

Honoring the Jacob Leadership Institute:

Mickey Jacob, FAIA, Hon. FRAIC is Vice President – Architecture at Goodwyn Mills Cawood in Tampa FL and has been practicing architecture for over 39 years after graduating from the University of Detroit School of Architecture. As a design professional who embodies the role of “Citizen Architect,” Mickey’s commitment to “service beyond self” has been the driving force behind his extensive AIA and community leadership participation. In addition to his many community/charitable organizations service, he has been actively participating in the AIA since 1982. Mickey served as President of AIA Florida in 2004-2005, and subsequently as the 2007-2009 AIA Florida/Caribbean Regional Director on the AIA National Board of Directors. He held the office of AIA Vice President 2009-2011 and was elected by the AIA membership to lead the Institute as the 2013 AIA President, only the second person from Florida to hold this position.

Overview: The goal of JLI Leadership Program is to train and cultivate the next generation of leaders in architecture. Applications will be vetted and accepted on a first come, first served basis, with a max capacity of 15 students.

Training will be held once a month for six months, beginning in January 2021, with a combination of in-person and virtual classes. Graduation will be held at the AIA Florida annual convention in July.

Curriculum: The curriculum focuses on core professional skills, starting with self-assessment and continues with transformational leadership, motivational leadership, building an organizational culture, influencing stakeholders, and other tools that can be applied to personal and professional development on a daily basis.

Program Schedule: Students will meet once a month for six months either virtually or in person at various locations. Each session will last approximately four hours, with optional social activities as part of the in-person training.

Tentative Schedule – subject to change:

- January 22 – In person
- February 22 – Virtual
- March 29 – In person
- April 26 – Virtual
- May 31 – In person
- June 28 – Virtual
- July – live – Graduation at Convention

Commitment to the Program: The program's success is directly related to student participation; therefore, attendance is mandatory. Each participant will submit a Commitment Letter signed by him or her and their firm principal or Component President. Each student will be allowed one excused absence. More than one absence will result in expulsion from the program, with no refund.

Application Process: Applications will be vetted and selected on a first come, first served basis, upon receipt. Spots will not be held until application and supporting documents are received by AIA Florida staff.

Tuition: \$725 (AIA Members Only) and may be paid by individual, mentor, component, firm and/or others.

Application Deadline: All completed applications must be submitted no later than by 11:59 p.m. ET on December 15, 2020.

Notification of Acceptance: Candidates will be notified of their selection to participate in the program by December 30, 2020.