

# COUNCIL OF FELLOWS NEWSLETTER

Spring 2015



Greetings Fellows and Happy World Landscape Architecture Month!

The Fellows Executive Committee would like to share the latest news with you. The committee just completed the review and selection of our three scholarship winners for 2015. This process always reminds us of how many deserving students are out there with great financial need and wonderful aspirations. Please review our scholarship contribution information in this Newsletter, and respond with a pledge if you are able. The Fellows Jury is hard at work reviewing the 2015 applications for Fellow.

They will be meeting in DC this May.

We will also be sending out a ballot for the election of new officers later this spring. It is not too early to make sure that you save the date for the 2015

Annual Meeting in Chicago, November 6-9. Registration information will be sent out in early May. We look forward to seeing you all there.



## SELECTION OF THE 2015 CLASS OF FELLOWS



The deadline for submissions for the class of 2015 was February 27. ASLA received 89 nominations from 32 chapters and the Council of Fellows Executive Committee. The Council of Fellows Jury will meet May 7-8 to make final selections. Notifications to nominees and chapters will go out in the few weeks following the jury's meeting. The 2015 Class will be recognized at the annual investiture dinner on Sunday, November 8, in Chicago. Please save the date for the dinner and plan to attend the annual business on Monday morning, November 9.

*The 2014 Class of Fellows,  
Denver, CO*

## FELLOWS BUSINESS MEETING

We presented certificates to the 2014 COF scholarship recipients were presented certificates at the annual Fellows business meeting in Denver. In addition to introducing the students, we recognized the new class of Fellows, acknowledged departed Fellows, and received a summary of the ASLA Diversity Summit Report from Juanita Shearer-Swink, FASLA, and ASLA PR & Communications Director Terry Poltrack. The report sparked a robust discussion about the importance of diversity in the field and the role Fellows can play in mentoring.

[Diversity Summit Report](#)

[Minutes of the Meeting](#)



*2014 COF Scholarship recipients Rekerrious Geter, Maria Munoz and Donna Freeman, with COF Chair Susan L.B. Jacobson*

## SCHOLARSHIP PROCESS AND PLEDGING

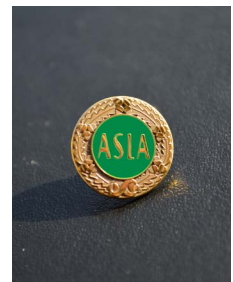
As I mentioned, the COF Executive Committee just selected the 2015 recipients of the COF scholarship. The winners are Abdias Dalisma, University of Florida, Rachel SantaOlalla, Cal Poly San Luis Obispo, and Kelsey Steward, Kansas State University. To learn more about the students visit the [COF scholarship page](#). In addition to receiving \$4,000, each recipient will also receive a one-year student ASLA membership, general registration fees for the ASLA Annual Meeting and EXPO, and a travel stipend to attend the meeting. We have heard from previous students that the opportunity to meet and network with professionals at the annual meeting is an incredibly valuable piece of the award.

The COF scholarship fund was established by the ASLA Council of Fellows in 2004 to: 1) aid outstanding students who would not otherwise have an opportunity to continue a professional degree program due to unmet financial need; 2) increase the interest and participation of economically disadvantaged and under-represented populations in the study of landscape architecture; and 3) enrich the profession of landscape architecture through a more diverse population.

Please pledge so that we can continue to offer this invaluable resource to the future practitioners of the profession! You may make multi-year pledges by using this [form](#) or perhaps you would interested in leaving a planned gift to the [Fellows Endowment Fund](#).

## NEW FELLOWS PIN

We introduced a beautiful, new Fellows pin at the annual meeting in Denver, which was presented to the new class of Fellows during the investiture ceremony in Denver. Existing Fellows were able to purchase them for \$25 at ASLA Central during EXPO hours. If would like to purchase the pin, please contact [Curt Millay](#). Also if you received a pin at the business meeting and haven't sent in your money to Curt, please do so. All profits from the sale of the pin will go to the [COF Scholarship Fund](#).



## RECOGNITION OF DECEASED FELLOWS

It has been our custom to acknowledge all Fellows who have passed away from the time of the last annual meeting, which was November 2014. To help us compile an accurate and complete list, I would be grateful if you would send the names of any Fellows you know who have passed away since that time to [Curt Millay](#) at ASLA. We are sorry to report since that time the deaths of Conrad Hamerman, William Callaway, Deb Mitchell, and Asa Hanamoto.

As always, we welcome any comments or questions that you may have regarding the Council of Fellows and hope that you will join us at our business meeting in Chicago.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Susan'.

Susan L.B. Jacobson, FASLA  
Chair  
ASLA Council of Fellows