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For decades, visions for “the future of mobility” have been as consistent as they are elusive. It may be 2020, but there are still no driverless, flying taxis filling the skies at rush hour.

That’s OK, according to experts who spoke at the CAC’s second “What’s Next?” panel discussion and networking breakfast on January 30.

Leaders in business, design and urban planning are more focused today on moving the needle toward environmentally conscious commuter habits. In addition, thoughtfully defined public-private relationships for aggregating large sums of data will help us better understand and predict the mobility needs of city residents. The goal is “frictionless mobility” for all citizens.

View highlights from “What’s Next?” on our YouTube channel.

The “What’s Next?” series is generously supported by Sandra Helton and Norman Edelson.

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WHAT IS “WHAT’S NEXT?”

“This series is not just about the future of cities, but how we gather good ideas and move them forward. The important role that the CAC plays is as a convener for conversation. We have the ability to bring together the design community, thought leaders, and you in the C-suite to look at how we can move change.”

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WHATS’ WHATS NEXT?’

“Chicago has a history of mega-projects but it’s about the small scale as well. What we might think of as little, incremental improvements can trigger massive changes in the ways people move.”

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Co-Founder of Cityfi

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SPOTLIGHT ON AFFORDABLE HOUSING

Our first major update to the Chicago Gallery (below) is in the works! This summer, the CAC will unveil a new exhibition examining fresh approaches to creating affordable housing for Chicago. The show will be an eye-opening look at America’s changing demographics.

Did you know 30 percent of adults in the U.S. live alone? Or that only 20 percent of households are nuclear families? Through the ideas of local architects, we imagine what the future of Chicago’s neighborhoods might look like if we created flexible approaches to housing that more deliberately support contemporary ways of living—for in-laws in a coach house, groups of single professionals co-owning a house, or renting an extra room through Airbnb, for example. Come learn how we can build a more livable, affordable city.

This exhibit is made possible with support from AARP.


BY MICHAEL WOOD

What choices and actions are needed to free us of fossil fuels and move us toward a carbon-free Chicago? “Energy Revolution” explores how we can work together to minimize our impact on the environment through environmentally responsible practices.

In taking stock of the recently completed decade, most agree the 2010s marked the moment the world “woke up” to the climate crisis. Putting aside the resulting hand wringing, we’re left with the realization that the climate emergency is moving faster than we ever thought.

This upcoming exhibit in the Usher Lambe Rotating Gallery looks at the many positive steps we can take today—both big and small, as individuals and as communities—to address this urgent problem by rethinking our energy sources and consumption.

How we choose to design our buildings and how we elect to power our cities will have a big impact on what we can accomplish over the coming decade. Exhibit curator Doug Farr, founder of Chicago-based architecture and design firm Farr Associates, believes the crisis presents exciting socio-economic and design opportunities.

“We can’t escape our need for fossil fuels until we build an infrastructure of alternative sources that can reliably power our lives and our economy,” Farr said. “But switching to greener energy unlocks a series of revolutions that really can improve our lives. The sooner we act, the richer those societal gains will be.”

Farr examines how past design movements that started in Chicago—from building-cooling lightwells and terra cotta, to the elegant, but energy-hungry buildings of early Modernism—were successfully mimicked around the globe. He believes now is the time for the city to start a new architecture movement, centered on extreme energy efficiency.

“Architecture reflects society’s changing values. There’s an opportunity for us to get energy-efficient design right and export it to the world,” he said.

“Energy Revolution” explores these visions and shows what a post-carbon neighborhood could look like, using Bronzeville as an example. It showcases work being done to distribute energy throughout the neighborhood via a microgrid, as well as efforts that are being made to educate and train residents in the trades needed to advance green energy.

It also highlights four priorities everyone will need to embrace to make the energy revolution successful: Conserve, Electrify, Decarbonize and Synchronize. Each demands a new mindset and new daily habits. Our hope is that “Energy Revolution” helps you better imagine your new life in a carbon-free society—and feel ready to start doing your part to make it a reality.


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TWO-PART CLASS

GET TO KNOW YOUR HOUSE
TUESDAYS, MARCH 3 & 10 • 6PM
$40 PUBLIC • $25 MEMBERS
$20 STUDENTS must show ID

If you live in an older home, it can be exciting and enlightening to learn about the history of your house. What did it look like when it was built? What changes have been made over time? Who once lived in your home? Get the tools to research your house at this two-part class facilitated by architectural historian and planner Matt Wicklund. Bring a laptop to start putting the skills you’ll learn to use right away!

DESIGN DIALOGUES

RETROFITTING THE SUBURBS
TUESDAY, MARCH 31 • 6PM
$20 PUBLIC • $15 MEMBERS
$12 STUDENTS must show ID

How do we retrofit suburbs to be livable, sustainable and economically viable places in the long run? An urban planner, a developer and a designer on the front lines of reshaping Chicago’s suburbs will discuss how to design walkable, transit-oriented communities with better connections to the city. They’ll also look at attempts to reposition “zombie” malls and other vacant structures consuming large tracts of land, like the recently demolished Lincoln Mall in Matteson. Becker will share details about some of the firm’s most ambitious projects, including a new waterfront downtown of the future. This series is generously sponsored by Ann and Richard Carr.

ARCHITECT TALKS

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LOUIE BECKER OF HENNINGSBORG
MONDAY, APRIL 27 • 6PM
$20 PUBLIC • $15 MEMBERS
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Copenhagen-based Hennings Larsen is committed to social and environmental responsibility in everything they do. Partner and Design Principal Louis Becker will share details about some of the firm’s most ambitious projects, including a new waterfront downtown in Shenzhen, China.

APRIL 30 - 9PM

ALEXANDER CALDER: CONQUEST OF SPACE
TUESDAY, MAY 26 • 6PM
$20 PUBLIC • $15 MEMBERS
$12 STUDENTS must show ID

Learn about the life and times of world-renowned sculptor Alexander Calder with author and art critic Jed Perl, in conversation with architect Brad Lynch. Volume two in Perl’s definitive biography, Calder: The Conquest of Space, will be the springboard for this talk, focusing on the latter half of the artist’s career, from 1940 to his death in 1976, when he was at the peak of his influence. In addition, Perl and Lynch will provide insights on the interplay between sculpture and architecture in the American city.

BOOK TALK

ALEXANDER CALDER: CONQUEST OF SPACE
TUESDAY, MARCH 14 • 6PM
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Dozens of ambitious young girls curious about STEM careers participated in the CAC’s first Girls Build! Day on Saturday, February 11.

Sponsored by Melissa and James Holzhauer, the day began with an opportunity to meet representatives from more than a dozen museums, nonprofits and other organizations that offer programs for teen and pre-teen girls.

For more than an hour, the girls and their chaperones had a chance to mingle, ask questions and learn more about what it takes to become an architect, designer or engineer.

Attendees excitedly crowded around tables for various STEM activities as well, from building with LEGO® to creating suspension bridges with popsicle sticks.

“Everyone is very excited to learn, which is refreshing to see. They’re getting their hands dirty, getting right into it,” said Mary Lou Kutska, a volunteer at the Women in Structural Engineering table, where girls were building structures with spaghetti noodles and marshmallows. “I became a structural engineer because of an event like this, so it’s great to be able to hold the door open for others after I passed through it.”

Rosie Hiler brought her 13-year-old niece, Emily, in hopes it would further her interest in becoming an architect.

“I think events like this are really powerful for girls, to help them see the opportunities available to them and to see other kids interested in these fields,” she said.

Attendees then had a chance to listen to a panel of female professionals, including Maya Bird-Murphy, founder of Chicago Mobile Makers; Dori del Rio, an architect at Cannon Design; Pegah Farshadmanesh, an engineer at the University of Illinois; Emily Pilloton, founder and executive director of Girls Garage, and Serenity White, a participant in 10 prior Girls Build! programs.

Each panelist offered tremendous advice, sharing anecdotes from a typical workday, encouraging the girls to forge their own pathways, and explaining why pursuing a STEM career is a challenging, but rewarding, choice.

“There’s some hard times you’ll need to get through, especially being a woman in a very male and white-dominated field,” Bird-Murphy said. “You will find your place; you just have to work really hard for it.”

On March 31, Angela Esposito, Senior Manager of Education and Experience, will be honored by Girls Inc. Chicago as one of the winners of the inaugural SheShines award. The award recognizes “strong, smart and bold female leaders” throughout the city.

Angela was nominated by former Girls Build! participant Hannah Samuel, who stated: “You’ve been such a great role model for me ever since I first joined Girls Build! and your work truly deserves this recognition. Girls Build! has empowered me so much as a young woman and has taught me so much about the impact of women in STEM fields throughout history. Without you, I’d hardly be where I am today in my pursuit of becoming an architect.”
The Chicago Architecture Foundation Center River Cruise aboard Chicago’s First Lady starts March 15. Whether it’s your first or fifth time taking the cruise, you’ll notice a lot of changes—three of the city’s tallest new towers will be especially hard to miss. All are scheduled for completion by the end of this year.

110 NORTH WACKER

The east elevation of Chicago’s tallest office building in three decades presents an appropriately businesslike façade to its neighbors on Wacker Drive. In contrast, eight bands of corner offices serrate its riverfront side. As if in response to the impossibly narrow base of 150 North Riverside—also by Goettsch Partners—across the river, the west side of 110 is supported by nine slender columns, pinched together and touching the riverwalk at just three points.

B Wolf Point East

Part two of a trilogy set to conclude with the completion of Salesforce Tower in 2023, Pelli Clarke Pelli’s Wolf Point East wears white pinstripes over reflective glass. Its expansive width toward the river belies its narrow edges for a silhouette that recalls a cassette tape. While its indoor-outdoor “city lounges” and open-air swimming pool are exclusively for residents, it meets the riverwalk in a park-like series of planted terraces.

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WATER

When it comes to leisure, the river cruise can’t easily be beat, but sometimes you need to get your steps in. Here are two new options to keep yourself moving this spring.

WALK ON (THE) RIVERBEND

While the world’s tallest building designed by a woman is currently Aqua Tower by Jeanne Gang, the nearly-complete Vista Tower nearby—also by Studio Gang—will soon take Aqua’s place at the top of that list. Subtle gradations of blue-green glass are now wrapped around Vista’s three stacks of trapezoids. These bands bring a rhythm to Vista accentuating its profile, while anticipating differences in solar heat gain as it widens and narrows.

Vista Tower

In recent years, the central portion of the Chicago Riverwalk (from Lake Street to Michigan Avenue) has become one of the city’s most popular recreation paths. Now, the portions east of Michigan Avenue, known as Riverwalk East, are on their way to becoming just as beloved by residents and tourists alike. Learn about newly completed improvements from the Vietnam Memorial east to Lake Michigan, including new public art, trees, landscaping and outposts for picnicking. You’ll hear how this stretch of land gifted to the city in the 1970s has been enhanced over time to become an ecologically sensitive development.

Walking Tour: Chicago’s Moveable Bridges

The majestic double-leaf, trunnion bascule bridges over the Chicago River are so unique to our city that examples elsewhere around the world are commonly referred to as “Chicago-style” bridges. Learn how the form and mechanics of these moveable structures changed as the city grew from a trading outpost to a major shipping hub and now to a recreation highway.

This tour only goes out during the city’s scheduled bridge lifts, so you get to watch the bridges in motion! Spring lifts are expected in April and May and fall lifts occur in October and November; check architecture.org for exact dates.

Please note: This tour includes stair climbing and is not ADA accessible. It will depart as planned, even if the city’s lift schedule changes.

Don’t forget

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1841 Sheridan Road, Evanston

Discover a wide variety of architectural styles on Northwestern University’s stunning, wooded campus on the shore of Lake Michigan. This two-hour walking tour explores everything from Collegiate Gothic buildings from the 19th century to cutting-edge, contemporary designs. Learn how the campus doubled in size in the 1960s following a lakefill plan developed by noted architect Walter Netsch, whose Brutalist structures transformed the feel of the university. You’ll also see the striking interiors of the Deering Library and Kellogg Global Hub.

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SYNAGOGUES BY BUS: NORTH SHORE

MARCH 29 • 10AM

FRANK LLOYD WRIGHT NEIGHBORHOODS

JUNE 13 • 10AM

PARKS AND BOULEVARDS

JULY 18 • 12:30PM

EMERGING CHICAGO

AUGUST 8 • 9:30AM

CHURCHES BY BUS

SEPTEMBER 12 • 10AM

CHICAGO MURALS:

ROGERS PARK

OCTOBER 3 • 12:30PM

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SCHIRMER LIBRARY:

FACILITIES TOUR

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Get a primer on contemporary trends and design innovations during this tour of new buildings near the CAC, all completed within the past decade. Buildings reflect the era in which they were built, so these new additions to the skyline say a lot about who and where we are today. Learn more about the architects shaping the city, how they look to the past for inspiration and what forces determine the function, size and shape of current projects. After an easy walk at street level, you’ll get special access to eye-popping views from the 38th floor of a tower completed in 2019.

NEW!

CONCRETE CHICAGO

MAY 16 • 10AM

Visit several architecturally significant Brutalist buildings and bring questions for workers who pour concrete during an Ozinga concrete plant tour.

NEW!

CONSERVATION CHICAGO

MOST ENDANGERED BUILDING

MARCH 7 • 10AM

Hosted in partnership with the nonprofit organization Preservation Chicago, this tour visits several buildings and sites at risk of being demolished.

NEW!

SUSTAINABILITY IN CHICAGO

NOVEMBER 7 • 10AM

Hear what architects, developers and the city are doing to make existing and newly constructed buildings more environmentally friendly and energy efficient.

NEW!
MARCH TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

Our river cruise is “The Architects’ Choice”—join us earlier than ever on the river, starting March 15!

MULTIPLE DEPARTURES DAILY STARTING MARCH 15
TICKETS START AT $46.29

Begins at northeast corner of Michigan Avenue and Wacker Drive, on the riverwalk.

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If the weather still isn’t great for venturing outside in March, join us on some of our indoor building tours! These tours range from 45 minutes to one hour and typically take place on weekdays at 12:15pm. Check architecture.org for details.

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Many of our tours only run from April to November. Here are a few that start up this month!
Check architecture.org for dates and times.

**LOUIS SULLIVAN REDECOVERED**
$26 PUBLIC • FREE MEMBERS
Begins at southwest corner of Monroe Street and Columbus Drive
See the trailblazing work of Louis H. Sullivan on this tour through Chicago’s Loop and discover how this pioneering architect cleverly fused elements of nature with early skyscraper technology.

**SACRED SPACES**
$26 PUBLIC • FREE MEMBERS
Begins at southeast corner of State Street and Jackson Boulevard
Chicago’s downtown is home to a number of striking and architecturally significant houses of worship. Visit several of these sites, including “the tallest church in the world”—a skyscraper with offices, designed for both worship and work.

**VICE TO NICE: TRANSFORMATION OF THE SOUTH LOOP**
$26 PUBLIC • FREE MEMBERS
Begins at 430 S. Michigan Avenue in the Auditorium Building lobby at Roosevelt University
The story of the South Loop is complete with characters, corruption, renewal and transformation. Explore how an area known for vice, gangsters, a few famous madams and a lot of abandoned railroad tracks has transformed into today’s thriving South Loop.

**Other tours to check out in April**
Gold Coast: Astor Street
Gold Coast: Dearborn Street
Lights, Camera, Architecture

**Two of our most popular bus tours start up again in May.**

**DISCOVER CHICAGO’S HISTORIC NEIGHBORHOODS**
DAILY STARTING MAY 1 • 10–11:30AM
$35 PUBLIC • $27 MEMBERS
Begins at the CAC
Explore Chicago’s mosaic of neighborhoods on this 1.5 hour tour hosted in partnership with Big Bus Chicago. You’ll get an intriguing look at the art, architecture and history of Greektown, Little Italy, Pilsen, Chinatown and Bronzeville from a seat on an open-top bus.

**FRANK LLOYD WRIGHT BY BUS**
WEDNESDAYS AND FRIDAYS
STARTING MAY 6 • 9:30AM – 1:30PM
$55 PUBLIC • $47 MEMBERS
Discover the neighborhood where Wright’s famed Prairie Style of architecture evolved. The tour includes bus transportation to and from Oak Park with commentary, a one-hour interior tour of Wright’s Home and Studio and a walking tour of the Frank Lloyd Wright Historic District. Included is a tour inside Frank Lloyd Wright’s newly restored masterpiece, Unity Temple.

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**CHURCHES BY BUS 25TH ANNIVERSARY TOUR**
WEDNESDAY, MAY 20 • 10AM–3PM
$55 PUBLIC • $47 MEMBERS
This one-time only, mid-week tour visits three churches the annual Churches by Bus tour featured in the 1990s, plus two churches included for the first time. See Gothic and Romanesque churches dating back to the late 1800s in the South Loop, West Loop and near the Magnificent Mile. Highlights include a marble baptismal font, stunning Victorian stencil work, a church modeled after the Sainte-Chapelle in Paris and breathtaking Tiffany glass windows.
The CAC Auxiliary Board is hosting a scavenger hunt! The event will raise funds to support the CAC’s mission while showcasing local architecture and the role it plays in the lives of those who live and work downtown. Teams of up to six people will follow clues around the Loop, learning more about historic buildings, discovering hidden gems and showcasing their knowledge to win the challenge.

Teams will depart from the CAC at 11am on Saturday, May 30 to explore and take pictures of buildings throughout the Loop. They will have three hours to complete as much of the scavenger hunt as possible before meeting up with the rest of the teams by 2pm at Revival Food Hall, 125 S. Clark St. Enjoy an open buffet and bar at the after-party while judges tally the scores to determine a winning team and announce first, second and third place prizes.

Purchase tickets online at architecture.org beginning in mid-March. Non-member early bird pricing is $40 per individual or $200 per team (up to six people). Prices increase May 1.

In addition to participants for the scavenger hunt, the Auxiliary Board is also recruiting volunteers for support on the day of the event. Contact Chris Younkin-Wilson at cywilson@architecture.org if you have questions or would like to help out!

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**BECOME AN AUXILIARY BOARD MEMBER**

Want to be part of creating exciting events that make a difference for the CAC like this scavenger hunt? Join the Auxiliary Board! CAC Auxiliary Board members also gain access to some of Chicago’s most exclusive sites. Visit architecture.org/auxiliary-board for more information and save the date for our next fundraiser: our annual river cruise scheduled for July 27, 2020.
Members Only

MEMBERS NIGHT

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 18 • 5–8PM
$15 MEMBERS

Enjoy the CAC after hours at this special members-only celebration. Mingle with fellow architecture enthusiasts, enjoy light snacks and beverages, take a mini-tour through the CAC and hear from CAC President and CEO Lynn Osmond about Chicago’s newest architecture developments at one of two lectures, beginning at 4pm and 6pm.

ARCHITECTURE ESSENTIALS

TUESDAY, MAY 12 • 5PM
FREE WITH REGISTRATION

Come learn fun architecture facts from CAC Director of Interpretation Adam Rubin. This 90-minute session covers key architectural terms and materials, various architectural styles and significant Chicago buildings.

Book tickets online or call 312.922.3432