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Awards: City, State, and National



Receiving Louis Bethune Fellow medal, 2018



AIA National Young Architect 2014

AWARDS, APPOINTMENTS, AND GRANTS (SELECTED):

Awards

- 2020 AIA National, Citizen Architect Award
- 2020 AIA New York, Special Citation for creating and leading the AIA Unified Task Force in response to the COVID-19 crisis
- 2018 AIA New York State, Matthew Del Gaudio Award for Service
- 2018 AIA National, Louis Blanchard Bethune Fellowship Award
- 2017 AIA New York State President's Citation
- 2016 City University of New York (CUNY) Faculty Service Award
- 2015 AIA National Component Award for the AIA Regional Recovery Working Group
- 2014 AIA New York State President's Citation for the AIA Regional Recovery Working Group
- 2014 AIA National Collaborative Achievement Award for AIANY's Post-Sandy Initiative, Co-author
- 2014 AIANY Vice President for Public Outreach's Citation for Leadership
- 2014 AIA National Young Architects Award
- 2012 United Nations Competition Honorable Mention Design Award for HIBAtat, disaster relief module.
- 2012 ACSA Archive 100 Design Award for Honors Scholars work on HIBAtat, disaster relief module.
- 2007 Best of 2007 "dog days" with Guta Hedewig, Time Out New York
- 2005 SARA Honorable Mention Design Award for Auto. Public, design-build installation New York
- 2004 First Place, "folketts kulturhus favoritt" Performing Arts Center Competition, Kristiansand, Norway



Illya has broken new ground for architects by his ways of working through crisis by sharing lessons learned from extreme events. Wether it be the Tōhoku Disaster or Storm Sandy, he is helping make connections to solutions and through this working towards reinforcing a global social network for good.

- Claire Weisz FAIA W X Y Architecture + Urban Design

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AIA National Award for AIA Regional Recovery Working Group



"Illya has had an undeniable impact as champion for building resilient communities and has become one of the most important and recognizable figures in the AIA on the topic. Through his unparalleled efforts and leadership in the AIA, the architecture profession and the international community he has furthered our profession at local, state, national, and international levels in this area. His exemplary service, energetic advocacy, active engagement, knowledge and unwavering commitment has inspired myself and hundreds of others worldwide to proactively engage our local leaders on the importance of resilient communities."

- Jaime E. Sobrino, FAIA, LEED AP, PMP 2018 AIA National Strategic Council Moderator Florida Caribbean Region Representative 2016-2018



AIA National Award for AIA Regional Recovery Working Group

Appointments

- 2021 Elected AIA New York State President
- 2020 Elected to AIA New York State Board as First Vice President
- 2019-20 Appointed to Waterfront Alliance's working group on land use policy, part of the Resilience Task Force
- 2019-22 Appointed to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD)'s National Resilient Housing Task Force
- 2015-18 Appointed to AIA National Strategic Council, New York Regional Representative, three-year appointment
- 2019-21 Appointed to the Building Energy Exchange (BE-Ex)'s Architecture Advisory Board
- 2019-20 Appointed NYSERDA Buildings of Excellence Advisory Group
- 2020 Appointed to the New York City Mayor's Office of Resilience (MOR)'s Rapid Research and Assessment Team
- 2017-20 Appointed New York State Disaster Coordinator by AIA National
- 2019 Houston Visions 2020 Advisor and Design Competition jury member
- 2019-20 Appointed to the New York City Mayor's Office of Resilience (MOR)'s Technical Advisory Group as a Subject Matter Expert for Future Flood Maps Future Flood, NYC
- 2019-20 Appointed to Oceanic Global's scientific advisory board
- 2019 Appointed NYC 2030 District Advisory Board
- 2018-21 Subject Matter Expert for Hazard Mitigation and Resilience Workshop (VI-EPSCoR), U.S. Virgin Islands Established Program to Stimulate Competitive Research and (CGTC) Caribbean Green Technology Center
- 2018-19 Appointed to AIA Manufacturers Council
- 2018 Appointed Chair, AIA National Board Knowledge Committee 2017
- 2016-17 Appointed Chair, AIA National Honor Awards
- 2016-18 Advisory Board SHADE Sustainable, Humanitarian, Architecture, Design for the Earth
- 2015 Appointed Subject Matter Expert, 100 Resilient Cities, Rockefeller Foundation
- 2015 Appointed Advisor to the National Disaster Recovery Framework (NDRF)'s Assistant Secretary for Preparedness and Response (ASPR)
- 2015-16 AIA National Young Architects Forum, National Advocacy Director Advisor
- 2015 AIA National Advocacy Director, Young Architects Forum (YAF), Advisory Committee
- 2013-2018 Appointed to AIA New York Board of Directors
- 2012-14 Appointed AIA New York State Board of Directors

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Meeting Bangladesh delegation with AIA New York

- 2011-15 Advisor to Regional Catastrophic Planning Team (RCPT) and Housing Recovery Center NYC
- 2011-14 AIA Regional Director, Young Architects Forum (YAF), New York State Board of Directors
- 2012 Founding Co-Chair, AIA Regional Recovery Working Group (AIANYS, AIANJ, AIARI, AIACT, AIANY)
- 2011 Founding Co-Chair, AIA New York, Design for Risk & Reconstruction Committee (DfRR)
- 2009 Appointed to Think Tank: Brainstorming the Future of Swiss Design, by Swiss Government
- 2009-13 Advisory Board d3 gallery and publishing, New York, NY
- 2009 NEA-National Endowment of the Arts, Think Tank participant, Design Literacy Conference,

Grants

- 2020 CUNY Rapid Research Grant for ECOFEST, CUNY/New York City College of Technology, Co-PI (David Smith, Sarah Standing)
- 2014 AIA Center for Emerging Professionals Exhibition, Washington, DC
- 2012 PDAC Enhanced Research Grant recipient (CUNY) for Design for Disaster, shelter design
- 2009 CUNY Coordinated Undergraduate Education (CUE) Teaching Fellow and John J. Collaborative Knowledge Grant recipient



Illya always steps up to help communities and colleagues understand resilience planning and disaster mitigation. His local, regional and national leadership allows us all to better navigate these murky waters.

- Donna Kacmar, FAIA



Locally and nationally, Illya has contributed an important range of work in the field of resilient design with much-needed practical applications that scale. Examples of his work range from prototyping disaster relief shelters to working with the city of New York and at the federal level to develop safe housing and retrofit quidelines.

- Roland Lewis CEO president Waterfront Alliance











