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Subject: CNU 28 session: The Art of Observing and Analyzing the City - Plein Air Techniques
Date: May 4, 2020 at 9:00 AM
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Hello Jason,

I hope all is well with you in these strange times and that you, your family and your team are staying safe.

I wanted to touch base with you about CNU 28. Things have been in a tremendous amount of flux, as you can imagine, since we last talked. In particular, the CNU has been switched from physical to virtual format with all of the re-structuring that entails.

I wanted to let you know that the CNU 28 Art Room session I spoke with you about previously has now been incorporated into the finalized roster of CNU 28 virtual sessions: **The Art of Observing and Analyzing the City - Plein Air Techniques**: *Leading practitioners will provide helpful how-to tips and demonstrations of techniques for urban observational and analytical sketching, painting and photography.*

CNU 28 will still be occurring June 10-13. I am still in the process of getting the final session timeslot from CNU as they work out details on their end, but it looks like we are a go to be part of the program.

Would it still be possible for you to help lead this session with a 20-minute presentation / demo?

If you are still available for the session, I will be in further communication over the next days with the logistical details (video conferencing platform etc) as I find out more of these specifics from CNU.

Thanks and very best regards,

-James

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Sent: Thursday, January 23, 2020 10:57 AM
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Subject: Re: CNU 28 art room

James,

Good to connect, and I look forward to meeting you in St. Paul.

Tell me more about the workshop and how I can play a role. Very happy to join with others to make it work.

Best,

Jason

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On Jan 16, 2020, at 12:54 PM, Tim Kirkby <tim@farrside.com> wrote:

Hi James,

Let me introduce you to Jason. I am excited for you two to properly meet in Minneapolis!

Thank you for the offer of incorporating Jason into the Art Room session despite the limited time.

Jason—by the way, its really common for CNU presenters to be put into forced marriages and their session proposals merged and evolved.

Guys, honestly, no need to keep me on as a presenter or facilitator for this. I would be thrilled to just attend it and focus on learning from you all.

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From: James Dougherty <jdougherty@doverkohl.com>

Date: Thursday, January 16, 2020 at 10:16 AM

To: Tim Kirkby <tim@farrside.com>

Subject: RE: CNU 28 art room

Hi Tim,

It's great to hear from you – Happy New Year to you as well!

Thanks for your suggestion about Jason Montgomery - this session idea sounds quite exciting!

We have a reduced number of Art Room sessions at the upcoming Twin Cities CNU since there will be fewer CNU breakout sessions overall. We are, though, still planning a pair of Art Room sessions focusing on plein air techniques. One session in the classroom and the other in the field. We'll have a select group of prominent CNU illustrators and architects presenting and demoing their methods for working outdoors. I think it could be great to incorporate Jason into this pair of sessions if he'd be amenable. The other presenters will likely focus mostly on pictorial composition. I like very much the idea of expanding the content with Jason showing participants techniques for analysis sketching.

I think it should be an exciting pair of sessions. Let me know if this format sounds interesting to you and Jason, and we can discuss details further.

Thanks and best regards,
-James

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From: Tim Kirkby <tim@farrside.com>
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Hi James, happy new year! I hope you have been well.

I am just reaching out to put in a plug for an art room session that was proposed by my former boss, for CNU 28, in case you aren't so sure about its merits...

The session was proposed by Jason Montgomery (I believe he added my name, as his assistant, but that's neither here nor there) and his idea is to take

participants to Landmark Plaza and Rice Park to do analysis and sketching. The workshop is inspired by the book "Visual notes for architects and designers."

Without knowing Jason, I don't expect you or whoever selects the sessions to know whether this workshop will be any good or not. All I can say is that, for whatever its worth, I vouch for him 100%. I said Jason was my former boss, but really he wasn't just a boss; the BEST teacher I ever had. The truth is, he was a mentor for a lot of the folks who you probably know from CNU, like Erin Christensen Ishizaki, Jennifer and John Griffin, and a whole generation of Notre Dame grads (Jason taught in the Rome program there in the late 90's / early 2000's). I've been begging Jason to attend a CNU conference for so many years, and this year he is finally going to do it. In any case, I really think this session would be a big hit!

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