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CENTER

• FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR •

This year proved it—our organization is brightest and best when it is inclusive, welcoming, and in-person. Popular events such as Principals Breakfast and Holiday Party, our tent-pole events (Design Awards Celebration, Design Excellence Conference, and Homes Tour), and committee tours and meetings were off the charts with attendance and participation. I'm incredibly proud of the ecosystem we have created with AIA Austin and the Austin Foundation for Architecture. As the Foundation transforms into the Center for Design ATX, we aim to have an even bigger table to welcome all.

Challenges this year brought new insight and opportunities. Staff changes brought new faces to support our members, strengthening our development department for both AIA Austin and the Center. The new Center board is getting to know each other and working out their priorities, leadership, and programs for 2024.

The year found us forging new partnerships and strengthened others with like-minded organizations. Our Justice, Equity, Diversity, Inclusion, and Belonging group did much to address our priorities for equity in our organization, spearheading workshops and strategic vision that will take these efforts forward next year and onward. Our Housing Advocacy served as a resource to the City, modeling the impact of the HOME Initiative and providing recommendations to make it most effective to its mission of providing modest code changes that will increase housing opportunities that reflects principles from AIA's Framework for Design Excellence-namely Design for Equitable Communities, Design for Integration, and Design for Wellbeing.

I want to thank the board, leaders, committees, and sponsors who supported and led our programs with such excellence this year. Congratulations for a year of great work, committee chairs! And congratulations AIA Austin team! I have so much gratitude for our staff.

President Christy Taylor, AIA, has been an incredible force. She has been able to field challenges and lead with optimism, compassion, and authenticity every step of the way. As she moves into the past president role, I know she will continue to serve our members and community with integrity and skill. Leaving our board after five years is the amazing Camille Jobe, AIA. She has done so much to advance our governance, our advocacy, and the structure of our organization. Camille, we won't let you get far. Your skills are too valuable!

I so look forward to working with Sophia Razzaque, AIA, as president in 2024! Sophia has served as a committee chair and as secretary of the board, and this year she shaped our very successful Design Excellence Conference as president-elect. We are in good hands.

Join us! Join a committee, sponsor an event, and come see us at aiaaustin.org or in person at 801 W 12th. More in 2024!

Ingrid Spencer

Executive Director, AIA Austin and Center for Design ATX



• FROM THE AIA AUSTIN PRESIDENT •

For both AIA Austin ("The Chapter") and its newly reinstated nonprofit arm ("The Center"), this past year was a time of enormous progress.

But progress can be a funny thing. It requires optimism, planning, and camaraderie, but also discomfort, destabilization, and sometimes outright derailment. As the board members of both Chapter and Center came together this fall to discuss our relationship of support and impact moving forward, many of these hidden discomforts began to make themselves known. These esteemed board

members waded through disparate ideas on leadership, finances, and goals. We asked tough questions, sifted through strong opinions, and navigated difficult conversations. And while these Chapter/Center negotiations are ongoing, I am happy to report my big-picture, year-end takeaway: our AIA Austin chapter, and our newly formed Center organization, are in good hands and being led by some of the most incredible people that I have ever met.

First, a huge shoutout to your Chapter's ExCom: Camille Jobe (pastprez), Sophia Razzaque (prez-elect), Burton Baldridge (treasurer), and Nkiru Gelles (secretary). These four served as a reliable and trustworthy sounding board through times of conflict and transition, and I could not be more grateful to have them as colleagues and friends.

Next up, a round of applause to the entire remaining balance of The Center's new board members, who have redoubled their efforts to push into next year with lofty goals, new programming, and an ambitious capital campaign.

And finally, I extend my thanks and deepest admiration to our

esteemed Executive Director, Ingrid Spencer, who, alongside her dedicated staff, absorbed conflict with enduring grace and maintained a light in the darkness.

I am excited about the things to come, and I hope you will be inspired to get involved. Your Chapter/Center leaders will pull Austin onto the international stage by illustrating the power of design and community.

Christy Taylor, AIA

2023 President, AIA Austin Partner, Chioco Design

• FROM THE AIA AUSTIN PRESIDENT-ELECT •

This year has been a flurry of activity and I would like to take a moment to shout out to all of those members who dedicate countless volunteer hours in the service of advocating for our profession and providing community for our members, because for me, our AIA chapter is more than just a professional organization, but also a place to make friends, celebrate what we do, and lift each other up.

I recently learned that Austin has the luxury of having a higher number of architects per capita than some of our other large cities in Texas. This makes sense, since our chapter is a member of the AIA Big Sibs, which means we are among the 19 chapters across the country that have at least 1,000 members. Having served as Design Award Committee Chair in 2019, I know how lucky we are to have such a design-minded city with a consistently large pool of amazing design awards submissions every year. This year, we had 19 winners out of 111 submissions.

Our Homes Tour is the envy of every chapter. I am also pleased to report that this year, we were successful in maximizing the number of HSW credits provided at the AIA Austin Design Excellence Conference—only six out of the 28 were not HSW, and there were HSW courses offered in every time slot. We hope to continue this effort at future conferences to provide the highest member benefit.

In addition to our main tentpole events, this year we were able to bring on Virginia Cumberbatch to lead our members and board in a J.E.D.I. Learning Seminar and J.E.D.I. strategic thinking sessions. We know this is one of many J.E.D.I. related initiatives that our chapter will continue to provide.

This year was also one of those years when small groups of citizen architects descend on our state capitol to advocate for our profession at Architect's Day. It was my first time to attend, and I would highly encourage members to join in future years. It was powerful to see the other professional organizations who were there as well. It reinforces the fact that many times, the best way to influence public opinion or truly make an impact is to affect public policy. Our chapter has a great group of folks who are passionate about this issue and have been working tirelessly for years to help advocate for our members at the local, state, and national levels.

I would like to extend a huge congratulations to our most recently formed Housing Advocacy Committee in their efforts to help bolster the HOME Initiative, which was passed by City Council in December. That is a huge milestone in the continued efforts around creating more affordable housing in Austin. Our hope is to use this recent work as an example of how AIA Austin can work with the City to help create better outcomes for policy that affects the built environment, supports our members, and the public in meaningful ways.

Lastly, I want to thank our amazing AIA Austin staff and Board of Directors for all their efforts this year. We have an amazing group of people who have served and I am excited about those continuing on as well as the new faces who will be adding to the richness of collective knowledge that our board will be able to provide as leadership for the chapter. Here's to a bright future and best wishes for the new year!

Sophia Razzaque, AIA, IIDA, NOMA, LEED AP

2024 President, AIA Austin Associate, Lake | Flato Architects







DESIGN AWARDS

The AIA Austin Design Awards Celebration was held May 17 at Austin PBS for some 300 people. Austin Mayor Kirk Watson bestowed the Community Impact Award. Three acclaimed jurors chose the 19 awards:

DESIGN AWARD OF EXCELLENCE

200 West 6th Street Page

Austin Community College - Rio Grande Campus Renovation Overland Partners Studio8 Architects

Austin Community College Highland Phase II Barnes Gromatzky Kosarek Architects and Perkins&Will

Belmont Park Cuppett Kilpatrick Architects Sánchez Elementary School McKinney York Architects

Talavera Lofts Nelsen Partners

DESIGN AWARD OF MERIT

Alta Vista Residence alterstudio architecture

Block 185 STG Design and Pelli Clarke & Partners

Community First! Village Micro House McKinney York Architects **Dogtrot House** Charles Di Piazza Architecture

Elizita Ranch Andersson/Wise

> **Filtered Frame Dock** Matt Fajkus Architecture

Five Yard House Miró Rivera Architects

Pleasant Valley House Lemmo Architecture and Design

University of Texas at Austin Moody Center Gensler COMMENDATION

Humancentric Design: AISD Rosedale School Page

Public Amenity: Festival Beach Restroom Jobe Corral Architects

Site Specificity: Hillside House Furman + Keil Architects

COMMUNITY IMPACT AWARD

Roosevelt Gardens h+uo architects







Signature Events + Programs

DESIGN EXCELLENCE CONFERENCE (DEC)

Our signature summer education event provided up to 28 CEUs/participant during the August 24-26 conference at the AT&T Conference Center.

OUr Keynote Speakers were Dean of the University of Texas Scool of Architecture (UTSOA) Heather Woofter and Javier Sánchez, Hon. FAIA, Founding Partner & Director of JS^a Arquitectura.

86% of the courses (24 of 28 LU) provided HSW credit – crucial for licensure and AIA requirements. Attendees earned a combined 1922 CE hours in just two days!



HOMES TOUR

The 38th annual AIA Austin Homes Tour hosted 4500+ visitors over two days on October 29–30, holding its own in a month of blockbuster Austin events. The Tour was scheduled around the two Austin City Limits festival weekends and the Formula 1 racing calendar.

The 2023 homes/architects:

Cross Cabin Moontower Design + Build

Descendant House Matt Fajkus Architecture

Falling Leaves House Bercy Chen Studio

Foothill Terrace Furman + Keil Architects Hood House Murray Legge Architecture

Kinney Residence Franke : Franke

Ledgeway Modern McCollum Studio Architects **Shoalwood Residence** Sarah Bullock McIntyre, Architect

The Perch Nicole Blair, LLC

2023 Tour Photographer: Casey Woods



HONOR AWARDS

The 2023 AIA Austin Honor Awards were awarded at the Form: Function fundraiser at a pop-up space in the RiverSouth Austin building to an audience of nearly 175 people. Honorees:

Alan Yamato Taniguchi, FAIA, Award for Public Architecture* Molly Alexander

Associate Member of the Year Raymond Santana-Linares, AIA **Community Vision Award** Project Transitions

Emerging Professional Achievement Award Gabriella Bermea, AIA Firm Achievement Award Murray Legge Architecture

John V. Nyfeler, FAIA, Community Service Award Veronica Castro de Barrera, AIA

ADVOCACY

HOME Initiative

Member experts worked with Austin City Council Members to model proposed impacts, created and distributed <u>an informational letter</u> to combat misleading claims from opposition groups, and spoke out at Council meetings.

I-35 Redesign

Members were <u>called upon to critique</u> TxDOT's latest environmental impact statement before a March deadline.

Street Trees

AIA Austin leadership <u>supported a</u> <u>resolution</u> to realign city goals around street trees, including matching code manuals with city policies, eliminating disincentives to planting trees in public rights-of-way, and making it easy for development to benefit from the tree supply contract.

Windowless Bedrooms

AIA Austin member research shows that lack of daylight in bedrooms leads to physical and mental health issues. <u>A letter to Austin's Mayor and City</u>

JUSTICE, EQUITY, DIVERSITY, AND INCLUSION (J.E.D.I.)

Equity Series with Virginia Cumberbatch

We continued to confront and address DEI issues locally and systemically in a series of workshops with local facilitator, author, and activist Virginia Cumberbatch.

Featured Committee Programs + Events



ALLIED MEMBER ROUNDTABLE (AMR)

Gatherings Galore

AMR expanded reach this year, giving voice to our 236-member vendor community through tours, happy hours, and event partnerships.

ARCHITECTURE: K-12

Serving Title 1 Schools

The long-running *Architecture in Schools* program continued at the Austin Independent School District as part of the Primetime after-school curriculum after surviving a time change and budget cuts.

COMMITTEE ON THE ENVIRONMENT (COTE)

Collaborative Excellence

COTE kept criteria for the AIA Austin Design Awards up to date, while producing events with AIA San Antonio COTE; IIDA; PHATX; BS and Beer; USGBC, CLF; and SHAPE!

CUSTOM RESIDENTIAL ARCHITECTS NETWORK (CRAN)

Top-Selling Tours

CRAN sold out all 12 tours within hours, welcoming some 621 participants over the course of the year.

DESIGNVOICE

Community Collaborations

DesignVoice expanded the DV3x2 program to host 90+ students and partnered with the Allied Members Roundtable to showcase AEC organizations.

And work with HomeAid Austin continued with a new project supporting Magdalene House, a survivor-led community for adult women who have survived sex trafficking.

EMERGING PROFESSIONALS

ARE Study Group Afterhours

A consistent group of test takers convened throughout the year at AIA Austin offices to prepare for licensing exams.

Design Shine at the UMLAUF

The annual competition and exhibition is on display at the UMLAUF Sculpture Garden + Museum through April 2024.

Austin Featured Committee Programs + Events

HOUSING ADVOCACY

Austin Code Cards

Our newest committee started strong, designing and distributing their first series of <u>Austin Code Cards</u> to help decipher residential requirements.

LATINOS IN ARCHITECTURE (LiA)

Las Piñatas ATX at the MACC

Las Piñatas ATX returned for their 8th year, premiering in November during the Día de Muertos celebration at the Emma S. Barrientos Mexican American Cultural Center (MACC) with three installations: *Dulce Vida*; *La Calavera*; and *Cartonería*.



LEADERSHIP COLLECTIVE

The fifth year of the Leadership Collective graduated 22 leaders:

- Jerome Alemayehu
- Robert Allison, AIA
- Christopher Crawford
- Nicolette Davis
- Richard Garrod, AIA
- Alexandra Haddad, AIA
- Selina Hasler, AIA
- Paul Hazelet
- Jacob Hurt, AIA
- Silvia Izaguirre, AIA
- Hannah Laue, AIA
- Krishnan Mistry
- Michael Peterson, Assoc. AIA
- Albert Rodriguez
- Juan Raymon Rubio, Assoc. AIA
- Nicardo Sanchez
- Billy Schaefer, AIA
- Jef Snyder, AIA
- Joanna Spenser
- Nicole Vice
- Katrina Winsko
- Beth Zetzman





LGBTQIA+ ALLIANCE

Queer Austin Bike Tour

A 5-mile journey through the city featuring some of Austin's most prized LGBTQIA+ spaces and landmarks, the November tour shared stories of Austin's queer history, celebrated the work of Austin's queer designers, and highlighted some of the existing queer spaces that bolster the LGBTQIA+ community.

Showing Up for Justice

Alliance members showed up for several causes, including the rally for LGBTQIA+ Rights at the Texas Capitol (above).

WOMEN IN ARCHITECTURE (WiA)

Call to Action Webinar Series

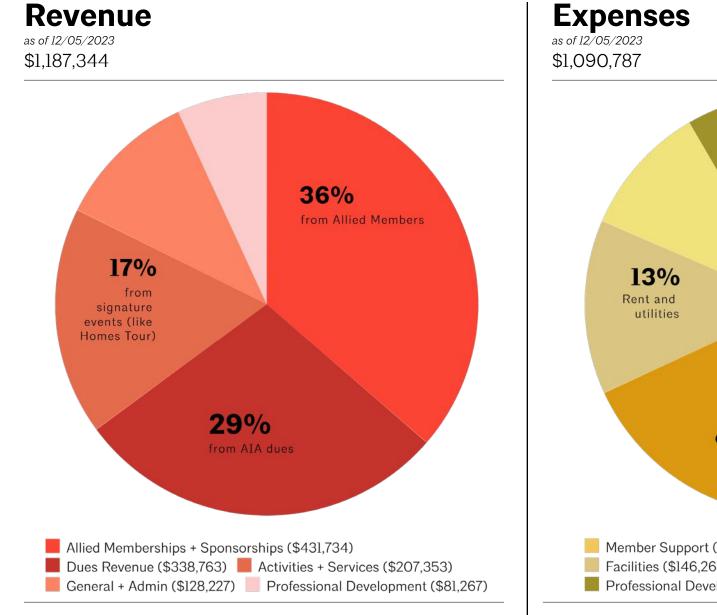
WiA held its second annual Call to Action webinar series "20/20 Hindsight: What We Wish We'd Known When We Were in Architecture School" over four days. Attendees came from every major Texas city as well as from California, Nebraska, and even Nepal. Speakers included past scholarship recipients and designers from Tesla, ICON, AEC, and Glumac Engineers, with panelists from Kirksey Architecture, VLK Architects, BGK Architects, Snohetta, Page, Pfluger, Nelsen, Gensler, FGM Architects, and O'Connell Robertson.

University of Texas Scholarships

Now in its second year, WiA's annual scholarship fund for underrepresented female-identifying students at the University of Texas School of Architecture (UT-SOA) grew to award three students with essential support.

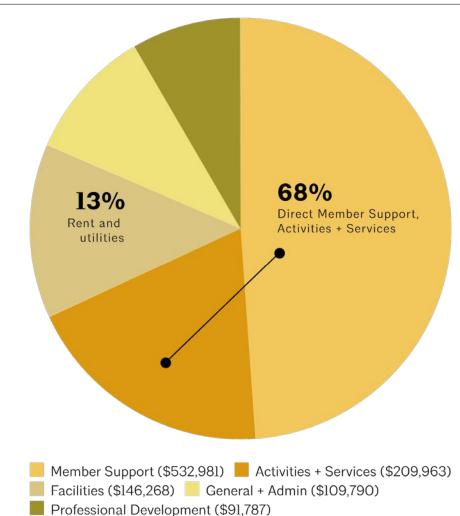
2023 Financials





"General + Admin" includes Job Board fees, AIA allocations, and Foundation management fees. "Professional Development" includes the Design Excellence Conference and BEC Symposium (not held in 2023). BEC reclassed to Activities + Services for 2023.

"Activities + Services" includes Design Awards, Homes Tour, and committee event income.



"Member Support" and "Activities and Services" include AIA Austin staff salaries, as they directly provide our signature quality programs and services.

"Professional Development" includes the Design Excellence Conference.

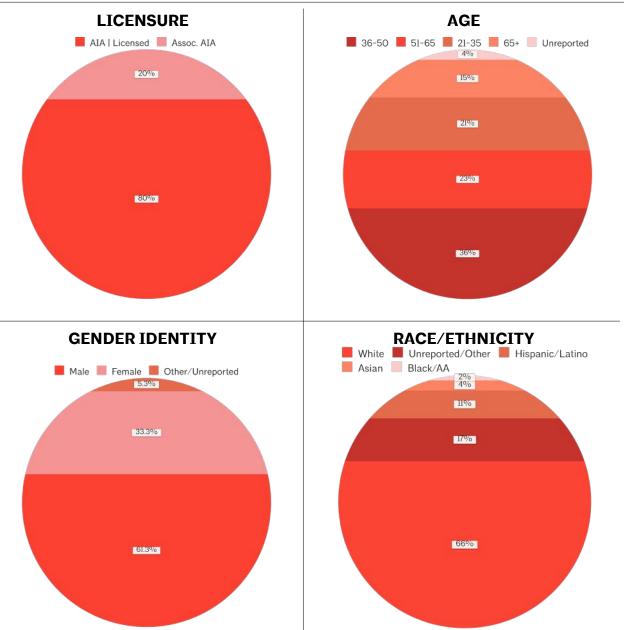
"Activities + Services" includes Design Awards, Homes Tour, and committee event expenses.

2023 Membership

AIA AUSTIN MEMBER DEMOGRAPHICS

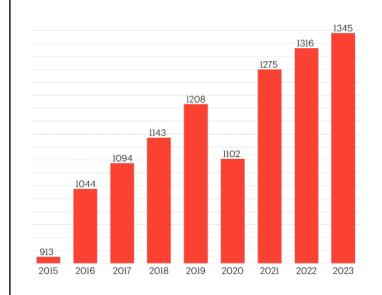
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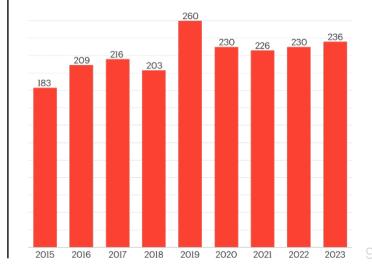
AIA AUSTIN MEMBER GROWTH

Membership hit a new record in 2023 with 1345 members.

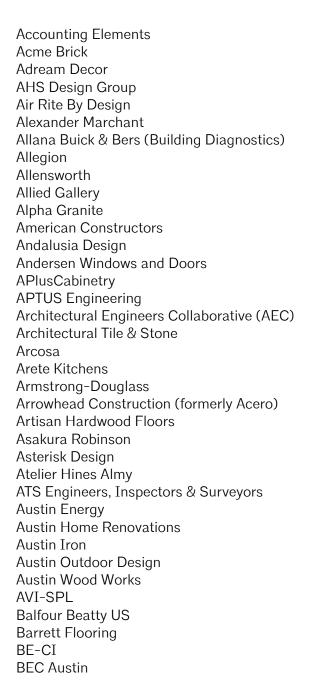


AIA AUSTIN ALLIED MEMBER GROWTH 2015-2023

Allied Member numbers continue to rebound from 2020.



2023 Allied Members



Bell & McCoy **Berdoll Sawmill Bespoke Careers** Best Block **Blair Burton Interiors** Boomtown Design **Boothe Concrete Bowne Electric** BPI Braun & Butler Breathe Design Studio Britt Design Group Buda Woodworks **Builders FirstSource Burnish & Plumb Captive Audio** Cen Tex Engineering Centex Sash & Door Chamberlin Roofing & Waterproofing Classic Constructors, LP Classic Forms & Products **Clay Imports** CleanTag LLC **Clear Innovations** Cobra Stone Consulting Engineering Services (CES) Continental Cut Stone Contour Collective Cooper Doors Copeland Engineering **Craig Washburn Pictures** Creekwood Design & Landscaping Crestron Electronics Curate Homes **Datum Engineers Davenport Builders** David Wilkes Builders

David Wilson Garden Design Delta Millworks **DEN Property Group Design Ecology** Diane Purcell Dovetail Dri-Design **Drophouse Design Dudley Dunham Engineering** Eastside Lumber & Decking Ecore International **EEA Consulting Engineers** Elevate Real Estate Development **Encotech Engineering Consultants** Enve Builders Envelop IQ Equitone European Floors of Austin Eye Like Design **FACETS** of Austin Fairway Architectural Railing Solutions Farmhouse Stone Ferguson Fern Santini (formerly Abode) Fisher Marantz Stone Ford Strei Builders ForeverLawn Austin Form to Finish Fort Structures Foursquare Builders Frances Peterson Frost Furrow Studio G. Creek Consturction **Gessner Engineering** Glumac GRAPHISOFT/CADeshack

Austin

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Mosier Luxury Homes Myrkheim Group Nancy Callahan, State Farm Agent Natura Neon Agave Homes Nygard & Company Oakman Building Company **Open Door Permitting** Palacio Collaborative Pella of Austin Petrini Custom Builders (formerly Siena) **Pilgrim Building Company** Porcelanosa Portella Positive Energy **Precision Roofing** Presidio Doors ProSource Wholesale **Quantum Windows & Doors** R Builders LLC Rauser Construction Ray Tonjes Builder Reece Rehme Architectural Systems Renaissance Windows & Doors Render ATX **RisherMartin Fine Homes Risinger Build Rivendale Homes** Rockwool Rogers-O'Brien Construction **Roost Custom Homes** RVi Planning + Landscape Architecture S. Tipton Studio Scheer & Co Interior Design Scott + Cooner Service Tech Seventh Scout Shoberg Custom Homes Sierra Pacific Windows Sika Skelly Build Soledad Builders Solluna Builders

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2023 In Review

10%

PROGRAMS

GUIDE TO AUSTIN ARCHITECTURE

The online Guide to Austin Architecture released one new tour. "Heart of Texas", for a total of six tours and over 100 entries in just three years.

DESIGN TALKS

Design Talks collaborated with a new design organization each month to showcase Austin's talented designers from all fields. This series was held in the spring and fall. 35-75 people attended each session.

FALL 2023

SEPT: Graphic Designer & Professor Dr. Chervl D. Miller

in partnership with American Institute of Graphic Arts (AIGA) Austin

OCT: Interior Designer Jennifer Jarls McCombs, RID, LEED AP, TAID, IIDA

In partnership with International Interior Design Association (IIDA) Texas Oklahoma

NOV: Architectural Photographer

Sterling E. Stevens In partnership with National Organization of Minority Architects (NOMA) CTX

SPRING 2023

Ilse Frank. Assoc. AIA. ASLA. PLA with Central Texas American Society of Landscape Architects (ASLA)

Philip Keil, AIA with AIA Austin



HIP HOP ARCHITECTURE CAMP™

Underrepresented youth work with architects, activists, and artists to create community visions with models and an HHAC music track and video.

We partnered with the Carver Museum in summer 2023 for a one-day abbreviated session (above left). We plan to establish this as an annual program for Austin, including the training of local facilitators.

The program is geared toward students in grades 6-12.

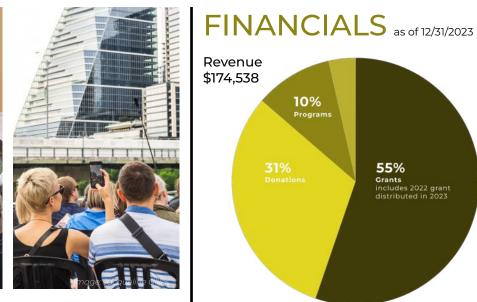
BOAT TOURS

Spring and fall sunset tours exploring Austin's architectural gems along Lady Bird Lake with expert hosts (above right). Each tour accomodates 50-100 people; we hosted nearly 300 people this year.

2023 FALL GUIDES Gabriella Bermea, AIA Lawrence W. Speck, FAIA

2023 SPRING GUIDES

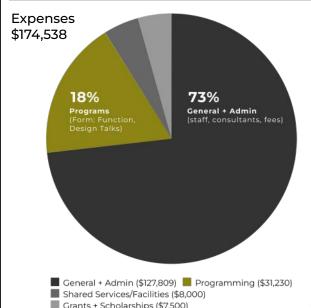
Wendy Dunnam Tita, FAIA Michael Hsu, FAIA, IIDA



Grants includes 2022 grant distributed in 2023

55%

Grants (\$96,479) Onations (\$54,200) Programs (\$17,746) Miscellaneous (\$6.114)



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