



2026

BENEFACTOR PROGRAM

IIDA

OHIO
KENTUCKY
chapter



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“ WELCOME: A LETTER FROM OUR PRESIDENT

As we look ahead to 2026, I'm honored to serve as President of the IIDA Ohio Kentucky Chapter and to share our vision for another impactful year. Our chapter continues to lead among the 32 IIDA chapters nationwide, and we are proud to celebrate our growth, innovation, and advocacy for the interior design profession.

This fall, we will host our third **Chapter-wide Design Awards** and second **Chapter-wide Student Conference**, both taking place in **Cleveland**. These signature events bring together professionals, students, and industry partners from across our two states to celebrate design excellence, foster meaningful connections, and invest in the future of our profession. These gatherings are more than celebrations; they are platforms for education, inspiration, and advocacy.

Our city center directors and volunteer boards have been working diligently to reimagine event formats and sponsorship opportunities. Their goal is to ensure that our benefactors receive greater visibility, deeper engagement, and more meaningful impact. From new networking formats to expanded educational offerings, we are creating experiences that benefit both our members and our supporters.

Advocacy remains a cornerstone of our mission. In 2026, we will continue our legislative efforts in Ohio as the new session unfolds, building on the momentum of the Interior Design Consortium, a national alliance between IIDA, ASID, and CIDQ. We are also exploring expanded legislative efforts in Kentucky, recognizing the importance of professional recognition and regulation across both states. Every city center event will include a component that supports and promotes our advocacy work, ensuring that our entire chapter is aligned in advancing the profession.

With over 60 programs and events annually and a membership of more than 650 designers, our chapter thrives because of the generous support of our benefactors. Your contributions help us finance and promote the profession, empower emerging talent, and advocate for the value of interior design in our communities. As we prepare for another exciting year, we invite you to continue your support of the IIDA Ohio Kentucky Chapter. Your partnership is essential to our success, and we are deeply grateful for the role you play in shaping the future of design.

Thank you for your continued support,

Samantha Bonner

Samantha Bonner IIDA, WELL AP
IIDA OH KY Chapter President



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2025-2026 CHAPTER BOARD

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HELLO THERE!

GET TO KNOW US

7 chapter
AWARDS



The Ohio Kentucky Chapter is one of the largest in the organization comprised of five City Centers: Cleveland Akron, Columbus, Cincinnati Dayton, Toledo, and Louisville Lexington. We have over 650 members spanning our two states!



5 CITY
CENTERS



650+
MEMBERS



80
COMMITTEE MEMBERS

10 
CAMPUS
CENTERS

6 
NEWSLETTERS

200 
COMPANIES
REPRESENTED

1,999
INSTAGRAM
FOLLOWERS



1,652
LINKEDIN
FOLLOWERS

57,200+
VISITORS TO WEBSITE

8 ENRICH GRANT
RECIPIENTS

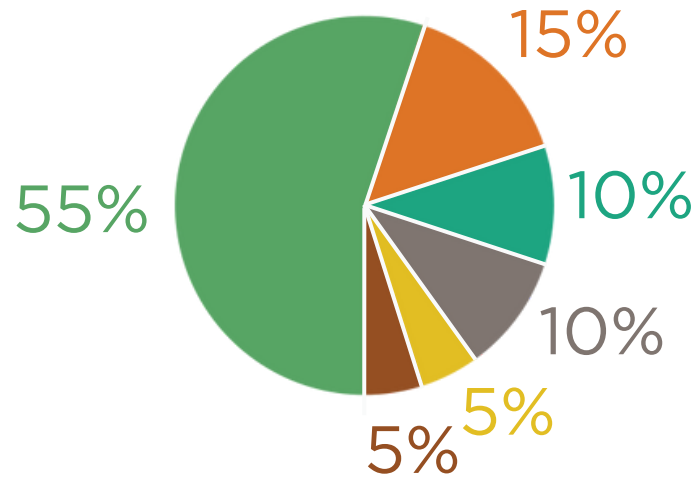
5 ZERO
LANDFILLS

2 
ANNUAL NCIDQ
PREP COURSES

6,890+
TICKETS SOLD TO EVENTS
VIA WEBSITE

WHERE DO YOUR BENEFACTOR DOLLARS GO?

The success of IIDA is built from the contributions of its members and supporters. Thank you for your continued support!



55%

SIGNATURE EVENTS + PROGRAMS:

15%

CELEBRATING DESIGN EXCELLENCE

10%

STUDENT PROGRAMMING

10%

CHAPTER LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT

5%

ADVOCACY & OUTREACH INITIATIVES

5%

**DIGITAL COMMUNICATIONS AND
CHAPTER MANAGEMENT**



2026 A&D BENEFACTOR BENEFITS

By becoming an A&D Chapter Benefactor, you will be entitled to the below benefits.

The 2026 IIDA Ohio Kentucky Benefactor Package will close on January 30th, 2026.

A&D BENEFITS

A&D FIRM
\$1,000

Company name on IIDA Chapter website with link to your website	✓
Company name on all direct email marketing materials promoting upcoming events	✓
(1) Project spotlight repost on OHKY Chapter social media*	✓
50% off (1) submission to local City Center Design Awards**	✓
Job posting promoted on OHKY Chapter LinkedIn page	✓
Priority consideration for hosting IIDA Quarterly chapter meetings	✓
Priority access for (1) Qpractice session membership***	✓

* One project can be submitted to IIDA OHKY VP of Benefactors to be re-posted and highlighted on IIDA OHKY Social Media.

** Project submission categories will be available for interior designers and manufacturer representatives to submit to. You must be an IIDA member to submit a project.

*** Membership discount can be utilized for Jan-Apr 2026, Jul-Oct 2026, or Jan-Apr 2027 study sessions. Registration must occur prior to the start of the selected session.

Benefactors may receive specific incentives at the City Center level, at the discretion of the City Center Committee. In order to ensure our Benefactors the very best benefit package, we reserve the right to amend these offerings. It is not the responsibility of IIDA Ohio Kentucky Chapter to remind Benefactors of their benefit opportunities or of unclaimed use of benefits.

Becoming a Chapter Benefactor does not include Professional, Associate, or Industry Membership in IIDA. For more information on becoming an IIDA member, please contact us at iidaOHKYmembership@gmail.com!



MORE WAYS TO SPONSOR

Take advantage of the opportunity to enhance your sponsorship with two meaningful opportunities that invest in our future and members! These opportunities are also available outside of the benefactor package allowing you to advocate for the profession even if you are not able to be a benefactor.

DESIGN ADVOCATE* - Benefactor \$100 / Non-Benefactor \$200

This sponsorship helps fund critical efforts in advancing interior design legislation. As a Design Advocate, you pledge your commitment to the growth and recognition of the interior design profession, empowering designers to make an even greater impact. Join us in shaping the future of design!

Associated Perks:

- Design Advocate designation on IIDA OHKY Benefactor banners**
- Logo/Name listed on IIDA OHKY Advocacy website
- Opportunity to post CEU events on the IIDA OHKY Website (Link to Event Required)
- Opportunity to host in virtual chapter wide CEU Series***

STUDENT ADVOCATE - \$60

Become a Student Advocate and help an interior design student thrive. This sponsorship covers the cost of a IIDA student membership, giving students access to essential resources, networking opportunities, and professional development. Invest in the future of design by empowering students to grow and succeed!

Associated Perks:

- Student Advocate designation on IIDA OHKY Benefactor banners**
- Logo/Name listed on IIDA OHKY Student website
- Virtual connection with your sponsored student
- Recognition of sponsorship on Student Day social media post

* Design Advocate contributions may be used in the funding of legislation efforts.

** Sponsorship must be selected before creation of IIDA OHKY Benefactor Banners to take advantage of this perk. Banners will not be re-printed throughout the year.

*** CEU participation will be first come first served when calendar goes out to all Design Advocates. Priority will go to HSW credited events.



2026 EVENT CALENDAR

PLEASE NOTE DATES ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE.
CHECK BACK FOR OFFICIAL PROMOTION AT WWW.IIDAOHIOKY.ORG

JANUARY

ANNUAL MEETING

QPRACTICE

- \$ CLE/AKR: STUDENT EVENT - TREND FORECASTING
- CLE/AKR: GET CONNECTED
- COL: STUDENT WELCOME BACK
- LOU/LEX: NCIDQ STUDY GROUP
- LOU/LEX: GET CONNECTED

FEBRUARY

NEW MEMBER COFFEE

- CIN/DAY: STUDENT EVENT
- CIN/DAY: GET CONNECTED
- \$ CLE/AKR: BUILDING TOUR / VERTICAL MARKET FORUM
- COL: STUDENT MANUFACTURER TOUR
- COL: GET CONNECTED
- LOU/LEX: CAPITOL DAY
- TOL: GET CONNECTED

MARCH

\$ MENTORSHIP PROGRAM

- \$ CIN/DAY: GUTTERBALL
- CLE/AKR: ZERO LANDFILL
- CLE/AKR: STUDENT EVENT - DESIGN SHARE
- CLE/AKR: PLANT TOUR
- \$ COL: STUDENT CAREER DAY
- \$ LOU/LEX: STUDENT DAY
- \$ LOU/LEX: DERBY HAT DESIGN

APRIL

FRIDAY FORUM

- \$ CIN/DAY: SIP N' CONNECT - DAYTON
- \$ CIN/DAY: INSPIRE ME - CINCY
- \$ CLE/AKR: BUILDING TOUR / VERTICAL MARKET FORUM
- COL: STUDENT THESIS AWARDS
- \$ COL: BUILDING TOUR
- \$ LOU/LEX: CEU DAY
- \$ TOL: SPRING INTO ACTION

MAY

\$ THRIVE

- CIN/DAY: DESIGN IQ - DAYTON
- CLE/ARK: B4B TARGET
- LOU/LEX: STRETCH & CONNECT
- \$ TOL: GOLF CLINIC

JUNE

CIN/DAY: VOLUNTEER EVENT

- \$ CLEV/AKR: SIP N' CONNECT
- COL: CAMP ARCHITECTURE AND DESIGN
- \$ COL: PRIDE PARADE
- TOL: JAM TOUR

JULY

ENRICH FUND OPENS

- QPRACTICE
- \$ CIN/DAY: GOLF OUTING
- \$ CLEV/AKR: BUILDING TOUR/VERTICAL MARKET FORUM
- \$ COL: NCIDQ PREP TALK
- \$ COL: SIP N' CONNECT
- LOU/LEX: NCIDQ STUDY GROUP
- LOU/LEX: BUILDING TOUR

AUGUST

STUDENT LEADER RETREAT

- \$ CIN/DAY: SIP N' CONNECT - CINCY
- CLEV/AKR: B4B TARGET
- COL: VENDOR SHOWCASE
- \$ LOU/LEX: SIP N' CONNECT
- \$ LOU/LEX: ZERO LANDFILL
- TOL: ZERO LANDFILL

SEPTEMBER

\$ DESIGN AWARDS & STUDENT CONFERENCE

- CIN/DAY: STUDENT WELCOME BACK
- \$ CIN/DAY: INSPIRE ME TOUR - DAYTON
- CLE/AKR: ZERO LANDFILL
- COL: STUDENT WELCOME BACK
- COL: ZERO LANDFILL
- COL: JOINT ASSOC. HAPPY HOUR
- LOU/LEX: STUDENT WELCOME BACK
- \$ TOL: BOAT CRUISE

OCTOBER

\$ CIN/DAY: SEAT AT THE TABLE

- CLE/AKR: neOHcon
- \$ COL: SPARKING CHANGE
- \$ LOU/LEX: LEXINGTON TRIVIA NIGHT
- \$ LOU/LEX: SIP N' CONNECT
- \$ TOL: SIP N' CONNECT

NOVEMBER

FRIDAY FORUM

- CIN/DAY: DESIGNIQ - CINCY
- CIN/DAY: CDAs
- CLE/AKR: STUDENT EVENT - PORTFOLIO REVIEW
- \$ CLEV/AKR: WRAP FOR ADVOCACY
- \$ COL: BUILDING TOUR
- \$ COL: SIP N' CONNECT
- LOU/LEX: MANUFACTURING TOUR

DECEMBER

- CIN/DAY: BOARD APPRECIATION
- COL: MEMBER APPRECIATION
- LOU/LEX: HOLIDAY PARTY
- \$ TOL: HOLIDAY PARTY

CITY KEY

ALL CITY CENTERS

CIN/DAY: CINCINNATI/DAYTON

CLE/AKR: CLEVELAND/AKRON

COL: COLUMBUS

LOU/LEX: LOUISVILLE/LEXINGTON

TOL: TOLEDO

\$ = SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITY



THANK YOU TO OUR 2025 BENEFACTORS!

DIAMOND



PLATINUM:



GOLD:



SILVER:

ALLERMUIR SENATOR | ALLSTEEL | BENJAMIN MOORE
HAMILTON PARKER | HAWORTH | KETCHUM WALTON
KIMBALL INTERNATIONAL | MANNINGTON COMMERCIAL

BRONZE:

AMERICAN INTERIORS | ARMSTRONG CEILINGS | ASTEK | BBN SALES - SLOAN
BEST SUPPLY AND CERTAINTED CEILINGS | BLG | CONTINENTAL OFFICE | DOTSON COOKE
DUPLER OFFICE | FORMICA | ID+A | INNOVATIVE OFFICE SOLUTIONS | INTERIOR SUPPLY INC
J+J FLOORING | KING BUSINESS INTERIORS | MDC INTERIOR SOLUTIONS | MILLERKNOLL
MOHAWK | ORI | RH CONTRACT | SEIBOLD + BAKER | SPARTAN SURFACES | STEELCASE
TEKNION | THE DAVIS GROUP | TIM O'NEIL & ASSOCIATES

A+D FIRM PARTNERS:

CHAMPLIN ARCHITECTURE EOP ARCHITECTS | HD+S | JRA ARCHITECTS | MSA DESIGN
NAC ARCHITECTURE | THE COLLABORATIVE | VOCON | WORK ARCHITECTURE + DESIGN