



PROGRAM SCHEDULE

MONDAY, MARCH 23

12:30 – 1:00	REGISTRATION + CHECK-IN <i>Coffee, tea, and light snacks available</i>
1:00 – 1:15	WELCOME & INTRODUCTIONS Zoe Guckenheimer AIA Seattle Che Fortaleza AIA & Miriam Hinden AIA Co-Chairs, AIA Seattle Code Committee Dan Quatier Interior Tech
1:15 – 1:45	CODE OVERVIEW Steve Dombrowski AIA Senior Accessibility Consultant, Walker Consultants
1:45 – 2:45	PRINCIPLES OF UNIVERSAL DESIGN Joshua Klyber Principal of Universal Design, Jensen Hughes
2:45 – 2:55	BREAK
2:55 – 3:00	COMMITTEE HIGHLIGHT – YOUNG ARCHITECTS FORUM Cat Heard AIA Co-Chair, AIA Seattle Young Architects Forum
3:00 – 3:45	CASE STUDY: ALL GENDER RESTROOMS & ADULT CHANGING FACILITIES Debbie Ohlssen CID, CASp Technical Designer, Associate, Gensler
3:45 – 4:30	CASE STUDY: WASHINGTON SCHOOL FOR THE DEAF Séamus Kelly AIA, LEED AP Principal, Mithun
4:30 – 4:45	SEATTLE DEPARTMENT OF CONSTRUCTION & INSPECTIONS CODE UPDATES Ardel Jala Building Official, SDCI, City of Seattle
4:45 – 4:50	AIAS-UW UPDATES Claire Bratrud Professional Liaison, AIAS-UW
4:50 – 5:00	THANK YOU & INVITATION TO HAPPY HOUR Zoe Guckenheimer AIA Seattle Che Fortaleza AIA & Miriam Hinden AIA Co-Chairs, AIA Seattle Code Committee
5:00 – 6:00	NETWORKING HAPPY HOUR ON-SITE

All times are approximated. All sessions and speakers subject to change.

MEET OUR SPEAKERS



Ardel Jala, PE, Building Official, SDCI, City of Seattle | Ardel Jala, PE is Building Official for Seattle Department of Construction & Inspections. As technical policy lead for the technical codes, Ardel is responsible for adoption and enforcement of the Seattle Construction Codes. Ardel actively participates in the state and national code development process with the Washington Association of Building Officials Technical Code Development Committee. She serves on the ICC Existing Building Code Development Committee, the NFPA Standard committees for the Protection of Cultural Resource Properties – Museums, Libraries, and Places of Worship (NFPA 909) and the Protection of Historic Structures (NFPA 914). Locally she serves on the BOMA Technical Code Committee. Prior to joining the city in 2011, Ardel worked as a structural engineer for 15 years designing seismic upgrades for a variety of historic building projects in Seattle. In her off hours, Ardel enjoys exploring our city and planning the next family adventure.



Debbie Ohlssen CID, CASp, Technical Designer, Associate, Gensler | With nearly 30 years of professional experience, including 15 years at Gensler, Debbie is a creative, service-oriented job captain with a wide variety of project experience including aviation and transportation, retail, corporate, legal, education and healthcare. Her notable recent work includes the Terminal 3 West project at San Francisco International Airport. Currently being delivered in a progressive Design-Build model, the terminal project is a showcase of Debbie's exceptional skills and resourcefulness, bringing together diverse teams around shared solutions and translating design ideas into permit documents quickly and efficiently. Her extensive experience also includes the Terminal 1 redevelopment at San Diego International Airport and the new, award-winning Harvey Milk terminal at SFO. She has strong presentation skills and excels at translating designs into permit documents quickly and efficiently. She is passionate about accessibility issues and is a Certified Access Specialist (CASp) and CID (Certified Interior Designer).



Joshua Klyber, Principal of Universal Design, Jensen Hughes | Joshua has been a leader in accessibility and Universal Design for the past 12 years, working on all market types including military, education, manufacturing, residential, transit, and healthcare. This broad experience gives insight to the specific needs and challenges of different typologies. He also uses DeafSpace, Aspectss, and specific design considerations for different communities, for such varied projects as aging-in-place, permanent supportive housing, and corporate offices. Working on accessibility projects in multiple countries, he is familiar with many international standards, current best practices and code approaches being instituted around the world.



Séamus Kelly AIA, LEED AP, Principal, Mithun | Séamus is an architect with a passion for crafting inclusive and high-performing educational environments from early childhood learning through higher education. He is skilled at managing collaborative teams and processes to create well-crafted learning facilities that support student development and well-being, provide reliable and efficient. As a project manager, Séamus aligns the design effort around client values and goals. Projects like Blakely Elementary School and Washington School for the Deaf demonstrate the exemplary, award-winning results that serve as a national model for design. Séamus has worked with multiple institutional clients on creating more inclusive restrooms, and to broaden thinking on inclusive design as a member of Mithun's gender equity taskforce. He enjoys participating in community design-build projects and pro-bono efforts like the Quilcene Education Pavilion and the Cascade Bicycle Club headquarters. Seamus is also a periodic speaker, sharing lessons learned from projects and studies at educational and design-build conferences and events.



Steve Dombrowski AIA, Senior Accessibility Consultant, Walker Consultants | A licensed architect, Steve Dombrowski is a Senior Architectural Consultant specializing in accessibility compliance. With multiple specialty certifications, experience in litigation consulting, and years of field work under his belt. Steve is a member of the AIA Seattle Code Committee and a member of the AIA Seattle Adaptation and Resilience Committee. Previous to accessibility consulting, Steve worked as a project architect, construction contract administrator, and project manager for a multifamily architecture practice. He received his Bachelor of Fine Arts degree from the University of New Mexico and his Master of Architecture degree from North Carolina State University. Steve also received a Business Administration certificate from the University of Washington – Michael G. Foster School of Business. He is currently providing accessibility consulting with Walker Consultants.