

**The ARLIS/NA Upstate New York Chapter – ARLIS/NA Special Funding Report – Written by Kari Horowicz, 2019
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The ARLIS/NA Upstate New York Chapter received a special funding request award of \$200 to be used toward the honoraria for two non-member speakers at their Fall 2019 meeting.

The Fall 2019 ARLIS/NA Upstate New York Chapter took place in Buffalo, New York on November 1, 2019. The program theme focused on new and ongoing preservation efforts in both art and architecture found in Buffalo, specifically the renovation of the Richardson Olmsted Campus. One of Buffalo's most iconic buildings and a National Historic Landmark, the 145-year-old Richardson Olmsted Campus is being renewed after years of neglect. Designed by great American architect Henry Hobson Richardson and the famed landscape team of Frederick Law Olmsted and Calvert Vaux, the building incorporated a system of enlightened treatment for people with mental illness developed by Dr. Thomas Story Kirkbride. Today, the Richardson Olmsted Campus is home to one of the largest historic preservation projects in the nation. Since 2006, the nonprofit Richardson Center Corporation has been hard at work bringing the site back to life after decades of neglect. In 2018 the Richardson Olmsted Campus renovation won the Driehaus Foundation National Preservation Award, the nation's most coveted and prestigious award bestowed on historic preservation efforts by the National Trust for Historic Preservation that demonstrate excellence in execution and a positive impact on the vitality of their towns and cities.

Two honoraria of \$100 each were given to the following individual/organization:

Brian Carter: Our day-long program included a fascinating talk by Brian Carter, Professor of Architecture at University at Buffalo. Professor Carter gave a refreshing and interesting talk, entitled *Books + Building*, giving members a glimpse into small, but impactful architecture lectures series publications.



A selection of Architecture Lecture Series Publications



ARLIS/NA Upstate NY members on Richardson Campus Tour

Christine Krowelicz, Manager of Planning and Operations for the Richardson Olmsted Campus, gave members a fascinating tour of two of the Richardson Campus buildings. While sobering, the tour provided an enlightening look in to the history of the early architectural design for those with mental health issues. Members also learned of the dynamic partnership between Richardson and Olmsted and of future revitalization efforts. Christine asked that her Honoria be a donation to the Richardson Center Corporation, a 501 (c) (3) nonprofit organization.

For the Full Program of ARLIS/NA Upstate New York Fall Chapter Meeting – please visit <https://arlisupstateny.org/>

The ARLIS/NA Special Funding Request allowed the Upstate New York Chapter to provide dynamic programming for their Fall 2019 Chapter meeting. This Special Funding Award allowed the Upstate New York Chapter to maintain a strong treasury for future professional development endeavors.

We encourage other chapters to apply for Special Funding Awards for honoraria to offset Chapter meeting expenses.