



Fairmont Meeting & Mayfield Lecture
Monday, November 3, 2025
Falcon Center, Fairmont State University

11:30 AM – 12:00 PM

Check-In & Registration

12:00 PM – 1:00 PM

AIA WV Chapter Meeting & AIAS Updates – Over Lunch

- Chapter business updates
 - Committee reports
 - AIAS chapter report and student updates
 - Upcoming programs and events
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1:15 PM – 2:30 PM

Panel Discussion: How the Past Informs the Future of Architecture

1.25 LU

- Panelists Confirmed: Bill Yoke, AIA (Emeritus); Edward Tucker, FAIA; Victor Greco, AIA (Retired)
- Moderator: Ryan Hess, AIA – Mills Group

Session Overview:

This discussion brings together respected leaders in West Virginia's architectural community to reflect on the **enduring role of cultural legacy, sense of place, and professional experience** in shaping design practice today. Panelists will share lessons learned from decades of work across civic, educational, and adaptive reuse projects, highlighting how the wisdom of past practice can guide responses to contemporary challenges. Attendees will gain insights into the value of

mentorship, continuity, and professional responsibility as architecture evolves into the future.

2:45 PM – 3:45 PM

Construction Industry Update: Policy, Practice, and Safety Implications for Architects

1.0 LU / HSW

- Speaker: Jason Pizatella, Contractors Association of West Virginia (CAWV)
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3:45 PM – 4:00 PM

Break

4:00 PM – 5:00 PM

Technical Session: Are Your Buildings Up to the Task? Understanding ASHRAE 241-2023

1.0 LU / HSW

- Speaker: Terry Hollandsworth, ASHRAE
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5:00 PM – 5:15 PM

Break

5:15 PM – 6:15 PM

Fairmont State University of Architecture Program

Mayfield Lecture: Circumstances of Place

1.0 LU / HSW

- Speaker: Matthew Plecity, AIA, ASLA, Principal at GBBN Architects

Lecture Overview:

This lecture explores how the **circumstances of place—environmental, cultural, and contextual conditions—inform architectural design**. Plecity will share examples from higher education, civic, and adaptive reuse projects to illustrate how passive design, cultural responsiveness, and hazard mitigation can be integrated into practice. The session emphasizes designing with place as a driver of resilience, inclusivity, and occupant well-being, ensuring projects serve both people and community over time.

About the Speaker:

Matthew Plecity is both an architect and landscape architect whose work spans higher education, civic, and adaptive reuse projects. As a Principal at GBBN Architects, he brings a deep focus on site, context, and environmental systems, with a portfolio that includes the Hillman Library renovation at the University of Pittsburgh, Penn State Behrend's CORE building, and the Tree Pittsburgh Headquarters. He frequently presents at regional and national conferences on campus design, climate resilience, and context-driven architecture.

6:15 PM – 7:30 PM

Reception

- Networking and refreshments following the Mayfield Lecture