

Council of Fellows and Honorary ASLA Membership

It's almost here! 145 days feels like a long time but before we know it October 20th will be upon us, bringing with it the largest gathering of landscape architecture practitioners, manufacturers and affiliated professionals to Los Angeles.

As we prepare to celebrate Southern California landscape architecture, SCCASLA is especially proud to announce the elevation of the following individuals from our chapter to the ASLA Council of Fellows and Honorary ASLA Membership. Each of their contributions to landscape architecture and Southern California are unparalleled and we're fortunate to have them as part of our community.

2017 COUNCIL OF FELLOWS



Evan Mather, Knowledge Category

Evan Mather has been using film and video to communicate landscape architectural issues to the general public for over 20 years, creating dozens of short films and two feature films that profile projects and designers; espouse design theories; communicate issues of urban design, regional expression, and sustainability; and virtually immerse viewers within landscapes. Evan is an accomplished landscape architect and award-wining filmmaker whose body of work has been recognized numerous times by organizations including ASLA, the Australian Institute of Landscape Architects, the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, the International Film Festival Rotterdam and the Graham Foundation.

Kelly Comras, Service Through Research, Publication, and Lectures Category

Kelly Comras pairs her legal and landscape architectural training to contribute a dynamic form of service that improves communities and elevates the profession of landscape architecture. She brings to her pro bono work the same values instilled in her private practice over the last forty years: a participatory sensibility that informs her focus on the values of education, organization, and a strong goal-orientated ethic that propels projects to successful fruition. Her service sets the highest standard of civic commitment.



2017 HONORARY MEMBERSHIP



Mayor Eric Garcetti, City of Los Angeles

Mayor Eric Garcetti's commitment to Los Angeles and its landscape architecture community is best demonstrated through his many environmental initiatives and programs, all of which have influenced everyday practices of landscape architects in Southern California. As a result, Southern California is becoming a model for local and regional communities throughout the world adjusting to ever changing environmental and cultural conditions.



Andy Lipkis, Founder of TreePeople

For decades, **Andy Lipkis** has been a visionary force advocating for the power of natural systems and green infrastructure to heal the urban environment and achieve a sustainable future. Andy's efforts have been instrumental in educating and activating landscape architects to better achieve fundamental objectives by adopting ideas and approaches that provide optimal benefits to both ecosystems and surrounding communities.

Ceremonies will be held for each as part of the Special Events calendar of the Annual Meeting and we look forward to celebrating with them this October.

We want all of you to be there as well, so if you haven't already; register for the meeting, create your schedule of education sessions, sign up for an amazing field session, get in on early accommodation rates and fill the evenings with special events.

We want everyone in our chapter to show up and show out as we all host the world of landscape architecture!

Don't miss out. Register and Volunteer today!

Duane Border, ASLA Duane Border Design

Chapter President, ASLA Southern California