

Spring 2006

# ASL NEWS



**Architecture Studies Library**

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## Videos & DVDs available for checkout

### ASL Spring Hours

Mon—Thu: 9a—10p  
Fri: 9a—6p  
Sat: 1p—5p  
Sun: 1p—10p

#### EXCEPTIONS AND CLOSINGS:

##### Presidents' Day:

OPEN: 9a-10p: Monday, February 20

##### Spring Recess:

CLOSED: Saturday, March 11

CLOSED: Sunday, March 12

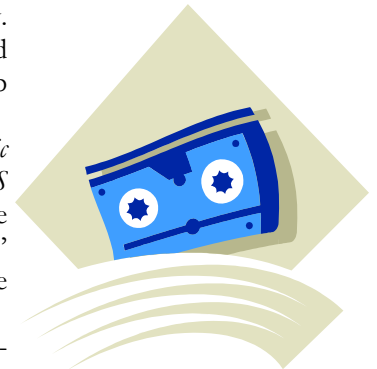
OPEN: 9a-7p: Monday, March 13—  
Thursday, March 16

OPEN: 9a-5p: Friday, March 17

Did you know that the ASL has over 600 videos and DVDs available for checkout? Students and faculty can checkout these items for 24 hours and 3 days, respectively. We also have a large selection of CDs that can be checked out as well. For a complete listing, check the list on the web at: [http://www.library.unlv.edu/arch/archav\\_lists.html](http://www.library.unlv.edu/arch/archav_lists.html).

The ASL has recently purchased the *Architectural Graphic Standards* as well as the *Reed Design Registry* on CD. The *AGS* accompanies the 10th edition of the book. The *Registry* is the “premier source of architecture firms in North America.” Both are available for 24 hour checkout at the ASL Service Desk.

Lectures held in the School of Architecture are now available in both VHS and DVD formats, including the Klai::Juba Lecture Series and the Sustaining Nevada Lecture Series.



## Exam study guides: Architecture & Landscape Architecture

Thanks to two generous donations, the ASL has purchased study guides for preparing for the Architect Registration Exam (ARE) and the Landscape Architect Registration Examination (LARE).

Kaplan AEC Architecture has prepared 10 study guides for the ARE, which are available for general checkout. Topics covered in this series include construction documents & services; architectural history; building planning; building technology; lateral forces; general structures; pre-design; site planning; building design: materials & methods; and mechanical & electrical systems. Thanks to the AIA Las Vegas, Spectra Consulting, and Robin Snyder, Assoc. AIA, for paying for this valuable resource!

The Beta Alpha chapter of Sigma Lambda Alpha, the international landscape architecture honor society, donated the LARE review series by Professional Publications, Inc. This series covers such topics as legal, administrative, and analytical aspects of practice; planning and site design; construction materials and methods; and grading, drainage, and stormwater management. All volumes in this series are in the ASL's reference section, and may be consulted in the library.

Thanks again to our library supporters!

## Upcoming Klai:: Juba Lectures

**Wednesday, January 25:  
Andrea Kahn**

**Wednesday, February 22:  
James Corner**

All lectures are free and open to all. Receptions begin at 6:30 p.m. in the lobby. Lectures begin at 7:00 p.m. in the ASL.

Check out our website for details on each presenter: [www.library.unlv.edu/arch](http://www.library.unlv.edu/arch)

## Meet the ASL Staff

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We also have a graduate assistant and several student assistants to help you.

Have a reference question? Email us at [libasl@unlv.edu](mailto:libasl@unlv.edu).



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## We do listen!

Please feel free to let us know how we can improve our services, collections, equipment, etc. Because of your feedback, we've been able to secure funding for new equipment and collections.

We've been able to purchase the following equipment thanks to your suggestions/requests: a color printer (that prints 11 x 17), a portable LCD projector for use in the ASL's group study rooms, a projection screen for room 114, and more.

Additionally, we're responding to other requests, including more hours. We stayed open until midnight two nights a week for much of the fall semester. Although use wasn't as high as we had hoped, it did give us information on what times in the semester are busiest. We'll now be able to respond to more specific time periods during the semester.

The ASL staff listens more than you might think. In an effort to better respond to user needs, the ASL writes down every question we respond "no" to. This helps us to recognize areas that are lacking in service, collections, equipment, and more. Additionally, it helps us justify our requests for these types of items.

Other responses from the ASL include making a CD-RW available for student use in needed situations and creating NetStorage procedures (so you don't even need a CD).

We're also aware that you would love the ability to add cash to your RebelCard in the ASL. While this situation is out of our direct control, we do relay your comments and requests.

Please feel free to let us know how we're doing! Comment cards are available near the service desk. You can also send us an email at [libasl@unlv.edu](mailto:libasl@unlv.edu) if you prefer.

## Student recommended books

Do you have a book that you'd like to recommend to others? If so, let us know...you can email us at [libasl@unlv.edu](mailto:libasl@unlv.edu), or drop by the ASL Service Desk. We'll add it to our website, and credit you if you'd like. You can view the current page at: <http://www.library.unlv.edu/arch/featured/studentrecommendedtitles.html>. Recently submitted titles include *Big & green*; *Instrumental form: designs for words, buildings, machines*; *Architecture is not made with the brain*; *Eyes of the skin*; and more!

## AIA Las Vegas donates...

The AIA Las Vegas has once again shown their tremendous support of the Architecture Studies Library.

The chapter donated \$2,600 to the ASL at their annual holiday party.

The ASL appreciates their support and generosity!

## Ask a question...online!

The ASL offers an online reference service through its website. You can submit your questions using our online form at <http://www.library.unlv.edu/arch/archquestions.html> or send us an email at [libasl@unlv.edu](mailto:libasl@unlv.edu). We've included samples of recent questions (with answers) below.

**Q: Are there maps or aerial photographs available which show details of subdivisions built in Clark County similar to the aerial views which can be seen on the Assessor's website but that shows the entire county?**

A: This webpage gives information about the ASL Landiscor collections: <http://www.library.unlv.edu/arch/featured/featuredbook04.html>. The most recent (2004 real estate photo book) will give you some idea of the subdivisions.

This item is available in our ASL Special Collections for in-library viewing. There are other map resources available online from UNR at: <http://keck.library.unr.edu> but none are likely to be as updated as the real estate book.

**Q: How much do architects get paid an hour, week, month and year? Also, how much schooling would it take to become an architect?**

A: In particular, the Occupational Outlook Handbook at <http://www.bls.gov/oco/ocos038.htm> will provide good general information and the most up to date about this field, income etc. Our library has a report with figures by state titled: 2002 AIA compensation report : a survey of U.S. architecture firms / prepared by Kermit Baker, Pradeep Dalal, and Jennifer Schauer (UNLV Arch Ref NA1995 .B35 2002). In general, searching in a library catalog using the term "architectural practice" will help you find professional material on this career. For more on careers in architecture studies, subject search the library catalog under "Architects — Vocational Guidance," "Landscape Architecture — Vocational Guidance," or "Design — Vocational Guidance."

## Exhibits

The current exhibit the ASL gallery is the Best of Jury, Fall 2005. This exhibit showcases the best student work from fall semester; it will remain on display until early February.

Next up is the AIA Nevada Excellence in Design awards, which showcases the state's best architecture. Look for it in early February. The online version of this exhibit can be viewed at: <http://www.library.unlv.edu/arch/aiaawa05.html>.

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