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2006 AIA/LA 2x8: Swell Exhibition Press Release

The American Institute of Architects Los Angeles Chapter (AIA/LA) Announces the June Opening of 2x8: Swell.

(Los Angeles, CA) – The American Institute of Architects Los Angeles is pleased to announce the opening of 2x8: Swell, on June 6th, 2006, at the historic Gas Company Lofts in Downtown Los Angeles. This year's exhibition will be held in conjunction with the 2006 AIA National Convention being held at the Downtown Los Angeles Convention Center.

The 2x8 is an annual exhibition sponsored by the AIA/LA, showcasing exemplary student work from architecture and design institutions throughout California. Celebrating the unequalled diversity in pedagogical directions, each of the sixteen participating academic programs select two projects that exemplify its core vision. Through this important exhibition, we hope to forge an invaluable link between this emerging talent and the professional world, giving rise to significant collaborations and alliances vital to the improvement of our built environment.

This year's fourth annual 2x8 exhibition is entitled Swell. Open to many interpretations, Swell encompasses the wide variety of processes and pedagogies these institutions offer. Each of the participating institutions is given the freedom to utilize, define or manipulate the phrase as it wishes, creating a remarkable range of ideas and imagery illustrated in the selected projects. In addition to these presentations, student-run forum at the exhibit space will extend a critical discourse on design and its impact in the local and global community.

The 2x8: Swell reception fundraiser will be held on Saturday, June 10, 2006 from 6 PM to 9 PM. The exhibition will be open from Tuesday, June 6 until Wednesday, June 14, 2006, 11am – 6 pm daily. The exhibition will be held at the Gas Company Lofts located at 810 S. Flower Street Downtown Los Angeles. For further information please visit www.aialosangeles.org

Participating schools are:

- Cal State Polytechnic University, Pomona / College of Environmental Design
- SCI-Arc [Southern California Institute of Architecture]
- University of Southern California / School of Architecture
- Otis College of Art and Design / Department of Architecture/Landscape/Interiors
- UCLA Department of Architecture and Urban Design
- Woodbury University / Architecture & Design
- Art Center College of Design / Environmental Design Department
- UCLA Extension Arc_ID
- Pasadena City College Architectural Program
- LAIAD - Los Angeles Institute of Architecture and Design
- California State University, Long Beach
- East Los Angeles College / Department of Architecture
- Cal Poly San Luis Obispo
- New School of Architecture
- California College of the Arts
- University of California, Berkeley

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