

## 2014 CACB-CCCA MEETINGS:

- June 6-7, 2014  
Saskatoon, SK
- November 14-15,  
2014 Montréal, QC

## ACRONYMS

**CCUSA :**  
Canadian Council of  
University Schools of  
Architecture

**CALA:**  
Canadian Architectural  
Licensing Authorities

**CASA:**  
Canadian Architecture  
Student Association

**RAIC:**  
Royal Architectural  
Institute of Canada

**NAAB:**

December 2013

## *Message from the President*

### Greetings,

It is my pleasure to introduce this inaugural issue of the CACB-CCCA electronic newsletter that we plan to send out at regular intervals. You will find in it updates and news related to CACB-CCCA activities, such as upcoming accreditation visits and outcomes, certification statistics, newly launched BEFA Program, news from collateral organizations, etc.

We have expanded the CACB-CCCA Board to its previous size so that we could deal effectively with the various tasks that need to be carried out on ongoing basis by several board-appointed committees and sub-committees. We welcomed three additional board members at the recent meeting in Banff, AB, bringing the total to ten. That was a much needed change!

I would like to draw your attention to the 2014 CACB-CCCA Validation Conference that will take place on September 26 and 27, 2014, in Saint-Sauveur in Quebec. About 100 participants - CACB-CCCA Board members, delegates chosen by CALA, CASA, CCUSA and RAIC, and invited guests from NAAB and NCARB - will discuss over two full days the education of future architects and possible changes we may need to implement to address existing and emerging challenges and opportunities. The Board-appointed Conference Organizing Committee has been hard at work for the past six months. You can read more about the conference and the Committee's efforts below.

The upcoming year will be a very busy one for CACB-CCCA. We look forward to the conference in September and active participation by our members.

We, at CACB-CCCA, wish you all the best in 2014!

Branko Kolarevic, President  
CACB Board of Directors

**NCARB:**

National Council of  
Architectural  
Registration Boards  
(USA)

**BEFA:**

Broadly Experienced  
Foreign Architects

**M.Arch:**

Master of Architecture

**APR:**

Architecture Program  
Report

**AR:**

Annual Report

**VTR:**

Visiting Team Report

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**PUBLIC ACCESS TO**

**ACCREDITATION**

**DOCUMENTS**

Starting from the 2014  
Accreditation Cycle,  
Accreditation documents:  
Architecture Program Report,  
Annual Reports and the Visiting  
Reports will be made available  
to the public on the CACB-  
CCCA Website. The Board also  
recommends that the Programs  
make these documents publicly  
accessible through their  
Websites.

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**CACB-CCCA 2014**

**VALIDATION**

**CONFERENCE**

**Date:**

September 26-27, 2014

## 2013-2014 CACB-CCCA Board of Directors

Following its biannual Board meeting held on November 22-23, 2013, the Canadian Architectural Certification Board is pleased to announce its 2013-2014 Board of Directors and Executive Committee.

Branko Kolarevic <sup>D.Des</sup> **PRESIDENT**  
CCUSA

Sean F. Rodrigues <sup>AIBC, MRAIC</sup> **VICE-PRESIDENT**  
CALA

Thérèse LeBlanc <sup>NSAA, FRAIC</sup> **SECRETARY-TREASURER**  
CALA

Ivan Martinovic <sup>OAA, FRAIC</sup>  
CALA-CCUSA

Anne Cormier <sup>OAQ</sup>  
CCUSA

Ted Maciurzynski <sup>MAA</sup>  
CALA

Odile Roy <sup>OAQ</sup>  
CCUSA-CALA

Colin Ripley <sup>OAA</sup>  
CCUSA

Janna Levitt <sup>OAA, FRAIC</sup>  
CCUSA-CALA

Gabriel Keyes  
CASA

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## Newly appointed, reappointed, and departing Directors

The CACB welcomed the new Directors: Janna Levitt OAA, FRAIC, Ted Maciurzynski MAA, Odile Roy OAQ, Colin Ripley OAA, and Gabriel Keyes, Branko Kolarevic D.Des has been reappointed for one year term.

The CACB-CCCA expressed its deepest appreciation to Carole Caron AANB for the tremendous work she has contributed during her three-year term that ended in November 2013.

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Saint-Sauveur, QC.

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**Increase in the size of the CACB-CCCA Board**

Starting from fall 2013, the CACB-CCCA Board's size has increased from seven to ten members. The Board composition consists of:

- three registered architects representing the licensing authorities appointed by CALA
- three architectural educators appointed by CCUSA
- three registered architects representing the practice and teaching of architecture appointed jointly by CALA and CCUSA
- one students representing CASA

**CACB-CCCA By-Law: Articles of Continuance**

All required steps have been completed to obtain the Certificate of Continuance as per New Canada Not-for-Profit (NFP) Corporations Act.

The Certificate of Continuance is essentially the same as Certificate of Incorporation. Both set out the articles that apply to a corporation.

Because CACB-CCCA is already incorporated as a corporation, it cannot incorporate again under the NFP Act; instead, it "continues" under the new Act and is issued a Certificate of Continuance instead of a Certificate of Incorporation. [For more details click here](#)

**Board members achievement /recognition**

The CACB-CCCA Board is pleased to announce that two Directors, Thérèse LeBlanc, NSAA, and Ivan Martinovic, OAA, have been inducted into the Royal Architectural Institute of Canada College of Fellows at the RAIC Festival held in Halifax, NS, in June 2013. **Our sincere congratulations to Thérèse and Ivan!**

Thérèse and Ivan (on the left of each picture below) are congratulated by Barry Johns, FRAIC the Chancellor of RAIC College of Fellows.



Thérèse's unwavering commitment to the profession has been given with genuine interest and selfless commitment. She has the respect and admiration of her fellow architects

Ivan's sustained contributions to the profession through practice, teaching and volunteering services is exemplary of the ideals of the College of Fellows.

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## **ACCREDITATION PROGRAM**

### **CACB-CCCA Accredited Professional Programs**

In Canada, there are 11 University Schools of Architecture which have been granted Accreditation for their professional degree-program in Architecture:

- University of British Columbia
- University of Calgary
- Carleton University
- Dalhousie University
- Université Laval
- University of Manitoba
- McGill University
- Université de Montréal
- Ryerson University
- University of Toronto
- University of Waterloo

Terms of Accreditation are published on CACB website at the following link: <http://www.cacb-ccca.ca/programs>

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### **Public Disclosure of Accreditation Documents**

Starting from the 2014 Accreditation Cycle, Accreditation documents: Architecture Program Report (APR), Annual Reports (AR) and the Visiting Reports (VTR) will be made available to the public on the CACB-CCCA Website. CACB-CCCA Board also recommends that the Programs make these documents publicly accessible through their Websites.

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### **Accreditation Decisions: 2013 Cycle:**

Three maintenance accreditation visits were performed in 2013 with following Accreditation terms:

- M. Arch. Ryerson University, Toronto, Ontario: 6 Year term (July 1, 2013- June 30, 2019)
- M. Arch. University of Toronto, Toronto, Ontario: 6 Year term (July 1, 2013- June 30, 2019) with Focused Evaluation after 3 Years (2016)
- M. Arch. Université Laval, Québec, Québec : 6 Year term (July 1, 2013- June 30, 2019)

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### **Accreditation Visits: 2014 Cycle**

One maintenance accreditation visit is planned in 2014, at Université de Montréal, Montréal, Québec

## Accreditation Training: Handbook for Accreditation

To assure consistency and quality in accreditation visits, the CACB-CCCA is preparing a Handbook for Accreditation to assist visiting teams and schools in their preparations for the visits.

### 2014 VALIDATION CONFERENCE

The CACB-CCCA is planning a national-level validation conference in September 2014 as a first step in conducting a rigorous review of how architectural education should continue to adapt to changes in the discipline and the profession. The previous validation conference was held twelve years ago on September 28-29, 2001, in Val David, QC. See [Communiqué](#).

The theme of the 2014 Conference is "Educating Future Architects: Promoting and Assessing Quality". About 100 participants - CACB Board members, delegates chosen by CALA, CASA, CCUSA and RAIC, and invited guests from NAAB and NCARB - will meet on September 26 and 27, 2014, in Saint-Sauveur, QC, to discuss future education, internship and the registration of architectural professionals.

The Board has appointed a Conference Organizing Committee to prepare the conference. The committee members are:

Myriam Blais (CCUSA)  
David Craddock (RAIC)  
Jean-Pierre Dumont (CALA)  
David Edwards (CALA)  
Gabriel Keyes (CACB, CASA)  
Ivan Martinovic, Chair (CACB, CCUSA-CALA)  
Colin Ripley (CACB, CCUSA)  
Sean F. Rodrigues (CACB, CALA)  
Kendra Schank Smith (CCUSA)

The Organizing Committee has issued a call for position papers relevant to topics of current and future architectural education. Position papers must be received by CACB-CCCA by **Tuesday, April 1, 2014**.

To read the call for position paper in English click [here](#)  
Pour lire l'appel pour les positions de principe, appuyer [ici](#).

For more information about the conference send email  
to: [2014conference@cacb.ca](mailto:2014conference@cacb.ca)

### ACADEMIC CERTIFICATION PROGRAM

Academic Certification is the mandatory first step towards registration and licensure. Academic Certification is carried out in accordance with the

conditions and criteria contained in the Canadian Education Standard (CES), established by the Canadian licensing authorities. The Board issues a Certificate of Educational Qualifications to applicants who meet the CES.

## **Academic Certification snap-shots**

### **Applications received**

A total of 643 applications for academic certification have been received at the CACB-CCCA office as of November 30, 2013. That is 24 fewer applications compared to the same period last year (2012).

### **Domestic Automatic Certification**

Since January 1, 2009, when the Automatic Domestic Academic Certification procedure was introduced, the number of certifications issued to the graduates of Canadian professional programs has increased significantly. As of November 30, 2013, we have received 359 applications (273 applications were received in 2009).

### **Country of origin of Foreign graduates applicants**

Among foreign applicants for academic certification since 2008, the top five countries of origin of the foreign degree are:

- Iran (147)
- The Philippines (70)
- India (66)
- Egypt (61)
- China (41)

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## **Academic Certification Training: Handbook for Assessors**

To assure continuity, consistency and quality in the assessment of candidates for academic certification, the CACB-CCCA is preparing a Handbook for Certification Assessment that will be used to train new assessors.

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## **On-line Application for Academic Certification**

Candidates for academic certification will soon be able to submit their application through an on-line system. The announcement of the system's launch will be made via the CACB-CCCA website..

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## **Loss of an Assessment Committee member**

CACB-CCCA was saddened by the passing of Marco Frascari, one of its Assessment Committee members, who died on March 5, 2013. Marco was a former Director of Carleton University School of Architecture and a member of the CACB-CCCA Assessment Committee for seven years. CACB-CCCA attended the memorial service and provided his widow with a certificate of



appreciation for Marco's committed, dedicated service as member of the Assessment Committee. He will be missed by many.

## **BROADLY EXPERIENCED FOREIGN ARCHITECTS (BEFA) PROGRAM**

### **BEFA CERTIFICATION PROGRAM IS ALREADY ONE YEAR OLD!**

The Broadly Experienced Foreign Architects (BEFA) Certification Program was introduced on September 21, 2012, as a third mandate under the administration of CACB-CCCA.

Foreign architects who meet the Program eligibility requirements can apply for BEFA Certification through a two-step process that consists of an on-line self-assessment and an interview with licensed architects.

Successful candidates are issued a BEFA certificate that serves as a recommendation for recognition as being equivalent to successful completion of the Canadian Education, Experience, and Examination Standards that are in place for licensure by a provincial or territorial licensing body.

A total of 83 BEFA candidate portfolios are being processed through the CACB-CCCA BEFA on-line system since September 21, 2012.

A total of 16 BEFA Certifications have been granted since the beginning of the implementation program in 2011, in three pilot phases.

### **BEFA INTERVIEW SESSIONS**

#### **2013 Sessions**

The fall 2013 interview sessions were held in November 2013 at two locations, in Edmonton, AB, on November 26, and Montréal, QC, on November 30.

A total of 8 BEFA candidates were interviewed; 4 candidates were granted BEFA Certification; and 4 candidates will be granted BEFA Certification upon completion of remedial actions.

#### **2014 Sessions**

Planned to take place in May and November 2014.

For additional information please contact: [befacoord@cacb.ca](mailto:befacoord@cacb.ca)

## **CACB-CCCA OFFICE**

### **Staffing**

CACB-CCCA is pleased to announce the appointment of Ms. Céleste Burnie as our new BEFA Coordinator, effective July 24, 2013.

Céleste is a member of the Project Management Institute. She brings to the CACB-CCCA many years of valuable experience in program management with non-profit organizations, including membership management, accreditation and certification. The two recent BEFA Interview sessions were successfully executed under her coordination and follow-up.

### **Season's Greetings**

The CACB-CCCA office will be closed from December 23, 2013, to January 3, 2014. We will re-open on Monday, January 6, 2014.

**With best wishes for the Holiday Season and  
the New Year!**

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