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Clifford Pearson, director of the USC American Academy in China (AAC) and lecturer at the USC School of Architecture, organized a forum on the collaboration between Asian developers and American architects in creating three of the largest building projects in downtown Los Angeles. The AAC-sponsored event entitled "Is LA Ready for Vertical Urbanism," took place at USC on May 9 at 6:30 PM. Participants were: Robert Jernigan of Gensler and Wu Chao of Greenland USA talking about the Metropolis complex; Mark Nay of CallisonRTKL and Tin Hovsepian of China Oceanwide Holdings talking about Oceanwide Plaza; and Tammy Jow of AC Martin and Chris Park of Hanjin International talking about Wilshire Grand. Paul Tang of Verse Design and the founding academic coordinator of the AAC moderated the panel discussion, along with Pearson.

Adjunct Associate Professor and Office of Mobile Design (OMD) Founder, Jennifer Siegal, won a 2017 AIA/LA Residential Architecture Award for her private home 'Vertical Venice Prefab'. The home was featured on the cover of Dwell's 2017 Prefab Issue and will be available to view at the Dwell on Design home tours in June. She will be speaking on an expert panel on June 24th at the Dwell of Design event in Los Angeles. Siegal is the inaugural design interview for the launch of Hunker.com out this April. OMD's work is featured in *Mobitecture: Architecture on the Move* (Phaidon Press) and the Swedish publication RUM's Los Angeles Issue. Siegal was made representative for her 2003 GSD/Loeb Fellowship class.

Patrick Tighe, FAIA, Adjunct Professor has the following news this month, Tighe was awarded the 2017 Star of Design Award during Westweek, given by the Pacific Design Center. Other awards include: three AIA LA Residential Design Awards, a Architizer Award, two Calibre Award nominations and one Los Angeles Architecture Award

R. Scott Mitchell and **Sofia Borges's** MADWORKSHOP Homeless Studio won the Fast Company World Changing Ideas Award for their Homes for Hope prototype. Their work is also featured in this month's Metropolis Magazine, Architect Magazine, and Business Insider.

Lorcan O'Herlihy FAIA will be speaking at Architectural Record's Innovation Conference West, The Future of Architecture and the Public Realm, at UCSF's Mission Bay Conference Center San Francisco on Wednesday, June 7. He will discuss urban culture in Los Angeles and Detroit, emphasizing the need for social and civic connectivity in two complex and rapidly evolving regions. Lorcan was also featured in the April 2017 issue of Architectural Record, which

at the School of Architecture and Civil Engineering at Xiamen University in Xiamen, China from June 23-27.

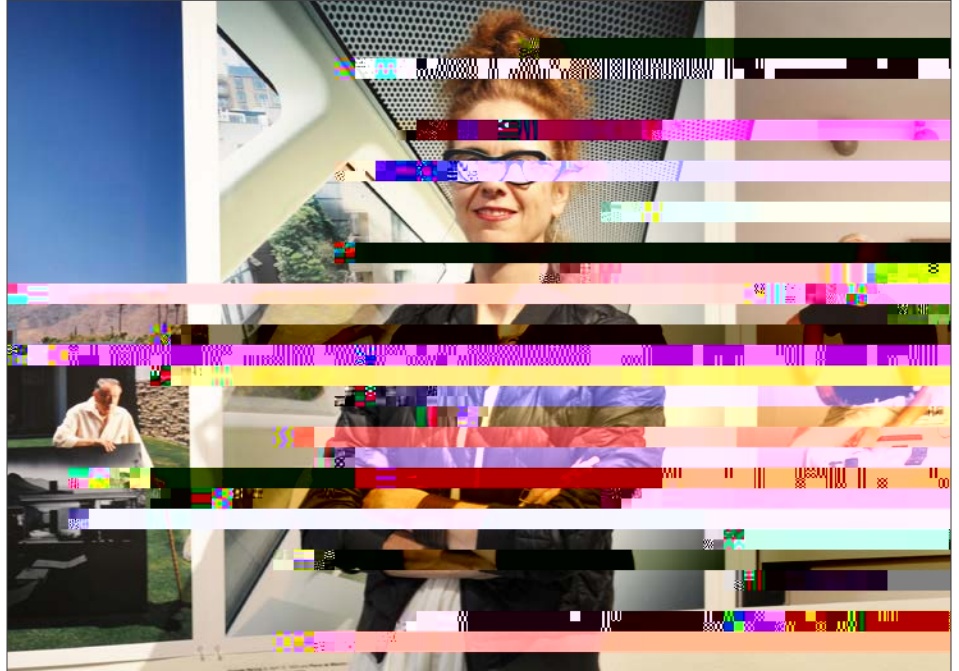
Eric Haas's firm DSH // architecture was a finalist in Architizer's 2017 A+Awards in the Architecture + 3D printing category for their research project Spiral Kitty, a wholly 3D-printed, reciprocally-structured cat shelter, donated to benefit the nonprofit Architects for Animals. The firm is in construction on two preschool and infant care centers in Hollywood, and beginning work on new facilities for Children's

practice and education.

“Our school is a role model for the direction in which the profession is heading – improving economic, gender, and ethnic diversity among its members, and reaffirming the importance of ethical conduct and social responsibility,” she said, “and I am inspired every day by our students, by my colleagues who are a splendid collection of critical thinkers and distinguished practitioners, by the optimism that infuses our School, and by our shared belief in the power of design to address urgent, contemporary issues. I look forward to working with faculty to cultivate and strengthen our student’s unique design voice that is equally committed to professional practice, theoretical discourse, social equity, and to formal and technological inquiry.”

As part of its 5th Annual AIACC Academy of Emerging Professionals Awards Program, the American Institute of Architects, California Council (AIACC), recently conferred its AIACC Educator Award on Wahlroos-Ritter. The jury lauded her for her commitment to shaping young architectural minds. The AIACC, the largest component of the national AIA organization, represents the interests of more than 11,000 architects and allied professionals in California.

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Ingalill Wahlroos-Ritter, AIA, Named Dean of the School of Architecture

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