

Southwest Section Quarterly Newsletter

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Message from the Director

Happy New Year! I am delighted to inform you that we have a new board for the APA TX Southwest Section for the next two years. Each member is excited and energized to serve you the best possible way. Highlights of what's to come throughout the year can be summarized as:

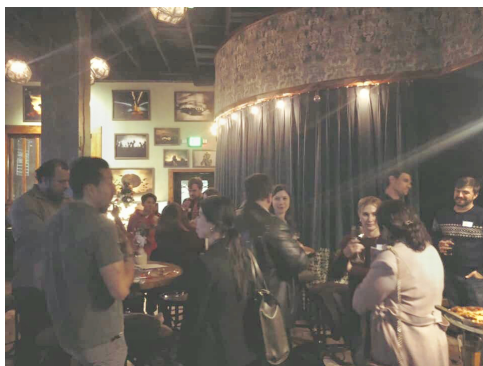
- Multiple Lunch & Learn events throughout the year;
- Social gatherings like Happy Hours;
- A day-long conference conducted by our Section;
- AICP exam preparation sessions;
- Conducting events with our partner organizations like AIA, CNU, WTS and more.

As issues like climate change, transportation, affordable housing have been risen to the national news level recently, we want to create a platform here to discuss these matters regionally. Please feel free to contact us to let us know what you think and how to be a part of the conversation.

Looking forward to seeing at one of our upcoming events.

Sincerely,

John R. Osten, AICP



Thank you to all who came out to the holiday party at Francis Bogside last month. We had a great turnout and are looking forward to more events in 2020!

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AICP EXAM WORKSHOP

Saturday, February 1, 2020

1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

City of San Antonio Cliff Morton Development and Business Services Center Tobin Room

**1901 South Alamo Street (NW corner South Alamo Street and South Flores Street)
San Antonio, TX 78204**

Hosted by the City of San Antonio and the Southwest Section, Texas APA

Registration fee: Free of charge

This AICP Workshop will provide an overview of what to expect from the AICP Exam. We will cover helpful tips on how to study and test taking strategies. The major topic areas of the exam will be outlined and sample test questions will be presented.

To register, please send your name, email address and phone number to:

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Free parking is available on the west and north sides of the building. See map below.



Upcoming AICP Exam Workshops:

Saturday, February 8, 2020, 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. in Austin; free of charge

Saturday, February 15, 2020, 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. in Houston, free of charge

Saturday, February 29, 2020, 11:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. in Lubbock; free of charge

Saturday, March 7, 2020, 10:00 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. in Mc Allen, free of charge

Saturday, March 28, 2020, 10:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. with Dr. Jennifer Cowley at UT Arlington; \$60

Saturdays TBA in July and August 2020, 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. in Austin, San Antonio and Houston, free of charge

Wednesday, October 7, 2020, 12:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. with Dr. Jennifer Cowley in El Paso; \$60