

Arrowstreet to Lead Tours and Host Events for the 2008 AIA Convention

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Arrowstreet will be leading several tours and events during the 2008 AIA National Convention, to be held May 15-17, 2008 in Boston.

Among the networking events Arrowstreet will host are:

Dining by Design at Arrowstreet: (E05)

Wednesday, May 14th, 6:30-9:00 p.m.

Please join us for an informal meal of eclectic food and drink served on all three floors of our lively office and (weather permitting) on our rooftop terrace. After dinner, we will enjoy a walk around Davis Square to experience the nightlife firsthand, with optional stops for coffee, nightcaps, maybe even some music at a local nightclub.

Late Night Movies at the EpiCenter: (E33)

Thursday, May 15th, 9:00-12:00 a.m.

Wondering what to do when your friends are heading back to their hotels? Head to the Artists for Humanity EpiCenter, the only Platinum LEED certified building in the city of Boston and recipient of a 2007 AIA Top Ten COTE (Committee on the Environment) award. Enjoy a night of fun with refreshments and short subject movies with an architectural theme.

Among the tours Arrowstreet will lead are:

Hip Davis Square: (TP29)

Wednesday, May 14th, 12:00-5:30 p.m.

Join the architects from Arrowstreet on a walking tour of Davis Square. Find out why the *Utne Reader* called it one of the 15 hippest places to live in the United States.

From the Epicenter to Macallen: As Green as it Gets: (TP23)

Wednesday, May 14th, 10:00-12:30 p.m. & 2:30-5:30 p.m., Thursday May 15th, 10:15-12:45 p.m. & 2:30-5:30 p.m. & Friday, May 16th, 2:30 -5:00 p.m.

Come and explore two important projects in South Boston, only blocks from the Boston Convention and Exhibit Center. The first stop is Macallen Apartment Building, a pivotal building in the urban revitalization of South Boston. Participants will then walk a few

blocks to the Artists for Humanity EpiCenter, Boston's first Platinum LEED certified building and recipient of a 2007 AIA/COTE Top Ten Green Projects award. Members of Arrowstreet's design team will guide the tour through this extraordinary facility with its commercial art studios and 5,000 square-foot gallery space used to show student art and special events.

Design on the Inner Harbor: (TP27)

Wednesday, May 14th from 10:00-1:30 p.m.

Here's your opportunity to see Boston's waterfront revitalization from the water. You will see first-hand the transformation of Boston's historic waterfront into parklands, housing, and diverse employment opportunities for Boston-area residents and visitors. En route you will view beautiful new waterfront parks and will learn how good planning, persistence, interagency cooperation, public/private partnerships, and visions have revitalized an old, underused waterfront into a thriving urban asset.

Boston's Future: The Seaport District: (TP13)

Wednesday, May 14th, 9:00-12:00 p.m. & Thursday May 15th, 9:45-12:45 p.m.

This walking tour begins and ends at the Boston Convention and Exhibition Center. We begin with an overview of the Seaport District, the public and private projects that have shaped the public realm, and updates on how the district is evolving from industrial use to a mixed-use area with residential, institutional, and business/retail uses. The tour then leaves the water's edge to travel through the historic Boston Wharf Company district.

Architecture Along the Charles River: A Boat Tour: (TP25)

Wednesday, May 14th, 1:00-4:30 p.m. & Thursday, May 15th, 9:45-1:15 p.m.

Depart from the Cambridgeside Galleria and travel upstream toward Harvard Square. Your guide will point out highlights on three campuses along way: the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Boston University, and Harvard. The skyline is especially dramatic on our return - including beloved icons like Kenmore Square's Citgo sign and the John Hancock Building.

For more information on how to register for the AIA 2008 National Convention, please visit www.aiaconvention.com. Please note that registration is required to attend the networking events and tours.

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