



2022

UB University at Buffalo
The State University of New York

FIFTIETH ANNUAL



SCHOOL OF ARCHITECTURE AND PLANNING
COMMENCEMENT

Friday

May 20, 2022

5:00 P.M.

Center for the Arts Mainstage Theatre

North Campus

Robert G. Shibley, FAIA, FAICP

Dean and Professor

Associate Deans

Martha Bohm
Bruce R. Majkowski
Subbiah Mantharam
Samina Raja

Assistant Dean

Matthew Roland



*A view of Hayes Hall and UB's historic South Campus, home to the School of Architecture and Planning.
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Program

Prelude

TNT Brass Quintet

Processional*

Pomp and Circumstance by Edward Elgar
TNT Brass Quintet

Opening Declaration

Frederick W. Stoss
Mace Bearer,
Chair of the Faculty Senate and Librarian

Welcome

Robert G. Shibley
Dean, School of Architecture and Planning

National Anthem

Rosa Vu, MusB '24

Introduction of Guests

Dean Shibley

Greetings

A. Scott Weber
Provost and Executive Vice President
for Academic Affairs

Awarding of Dean's Medal and Introduction of Commencement Speaker

Dean Shibley

Commencement Address

Charles L. Davis II
Associate Professor,
Department of Architecture

Presentation of Student Awards

Martha Bohm
Associate Dean for Academic Affairs,
School of Architecture and Planning

Musical Interlude

River Flows in You by Yiruma
Isiah Saxon, Flutist, MusB '22
Oscar Woodrich, Guitarist, MusB '22

Conferring of Degrees

Provost Weber

Presentation of Bachelor Degree Candidates

Korydon Smith
Chair, Department of Architecture

Presentation of Master Degree Candidates

Daniel B. Hess
Chair, Department of Urban and
Regional Planning

Presentation of Doctorate of Philosophy Candidates

Professor Hess

Alumni Welcome

Gary Jastrzab, BAED '76

Closing Remarks

Dean Shibley

Singing of the Alma Mater – Lyrics on page 12

Rosa Vu

Closing Declaration

Frederick W. Stoss

Recessional*

TNT Brass Quintet

Certificate Readers

Erkin Ozay
Kelly Gregg
Joyce Hwang
Samina Raja

Student Marshals

Nicholas Bruscia
Kerry Traynor

Faculty Marshals

Beth Tauke
Henry Taylor

Faculty Medal Hangers

Stephanie Cramer
Gregory Delaney
Libertad Figueroa
Annette LeCuyer
Kenneth MacKay
Matthew Roland

Reception

The members of the Class of 2022, with their families and friends, are invited to a reception immediately following the commencement exercises in the Center for the Arts Atrium.

Today's ceremony is being livestreamed and a recording will be available for online viewing at buffalo.edu/commencement.

**Audience to stand, if able, during the Processional and Recessional*

SUNY Trustee and UB Officials

Eunice Ashman Lewin

Member of the State University of New York Board of Trustees



President and co-founder of Impacto Consulting Associates, Eunice Ashman Lewin joined the SUNY Board of Trustees in February 2010. She helped reinstate the Student Life Committee, on

which she is co-chair. In that capacity, she spearheaded the creation of the Food Insecurity and the Mental Health task forces. Lewin serves on the board's Executive Committee and the committees for academic affairs, communications and external affairs, community colleges, and academic medical centers and hospitals.

A former commissioner of the Niagara Frontier Transportation Authority, Lewin was a founding member of the Roswell Park Alliance and a board member of the Buffalo Urban League and Hispanics United of Buffalo. She is a member of the Hispanic Women's League, the Greater Buffalo Racial Equity Roundtable and the Western New York Health Equity Task Force, created to coordinate vaccine distribution for the region's counties.

A retired bilingual social worker for the Buffalo Board of Education, Lewin is a champion for STEM education.

Born in Guantanamo, Cuba, Lewin immigrated to the U.S. with her family in 1967. She holds a bachelor's degree in sociology from Marymount Manhattan College and master's degrees in American and Puerto Rican studies, and in educational administration, from UB.

Jeremy M. Jacobs

Chairman of the University at Buffalo Council



Jeremy M. Jacobs was appointed to the UB Council in 1997; in 1998, then-Gov. George Pataki named him chairman. Jacobs is chairman of Delaware North, a global hospitality company with customers in the United

States, Australia, New Zealand and the United Kingdom. The company's operations include food and retail at airports and sports venues, sports facility ownership and management, operations of parks and major tourist attractions, hotel ownership and management, gaming operations and fine dining.

Jacobs owns the Boston Bruins and serves as chairman of the National Hockey League's Board of Governors. In 2018, he received the sport's highest honor when he was inducted into the Hockey Hall of Fame.

An alumnus of UB's School of Management and Harvard Business School's Advanced Management Program, Jacobs holds honorary doctorates in humane letters from UB, Canisius College, Niagara University and Johnson & Wales University. In 2015, his family donated \$30 million to advance UB's medical school, which was renamed the Jacobs School of Medicine and Biomedical Sciences.

Jacobs has served Western New York for more than four decades with his business expertise and philanthropic leadership, and Delaware North has received multiple awards for social responsibility, community service and environmental stewardship.

A longtime friend and supporter of UB, Jacobs has served as chairman, trustee and director of the UB Foundation, chairman of the President's Board of Visitors and adviser to the School of Management.

Satish K. Tripathi

University President



An internationally distinguished researcher and higher education leader, Satish K. Tripathi, PhD, is the University at Buffalo's 15th president.

Tripathi, who served as UB's provost from 2004-2011, was dean of the

Bourns College of Engineering at the University of California, Riverside from 1997-2004. Previously, he spent 19 years as professor of computer science at the University of Maryland, including seven years as department chair. A fellow of the IEEE and the American Association for the Advancement of Science, he has published more than 200 scholarly papers, supervised more than 30 doctoral and postdoctoral students and served on program committees of numerous international conferences.

Tripathi graduated at the top of his class from Banaras Hindu University (BHU). He holds a master's degree and a doctorate in computer science from the University of Toronto, as well as master's degrees in statistics from the University of Alberta and BHU. He has received honorary doctorates from the Indian Institute of Information Technology, Allahabad, and Brock University in Canada.

Tripathi serves on the College Football Playoff Board of Managers. Previously, he was chair of the Mid-American Conference Council of Presidents and on the boards of NCAA Division I, NCAA Board of Governors, the Association of American Universities, the Association of Public and Land-Grant Universities and the Council for Higher Education Accreditation. A past member of the Reimagine NY Commission, he was the inaugural co-chair of the Western New York Regional Economic Development Council.

Commencement Speaker

A. Scott Weber

Provost and Executive Vice President
for Academic Affairs



As provost and executive vice president for academic affairs, A. Scott Weber, PhD, serves as the university's chief academic officer, providing leadership across the academic enterprise including research, scholarship and creative activities; undergraduate, graduate, professional and international education; faculty development; diversity and inclusion initiatives; and university libraries. Weber is leading the implementation of the university's vision to be recognized among the top 25 public research universities in the nation, focused on building on UB's strengths to achieve new levels of excellence in research, scholarship, education, clinical care and engagement.

A member of UB's faculty since 1983, Weber is an innovative scholar and teacher and former chair of UB's Department of Civil, Structural and Environmental Engineering, where he helped establish UB's transportation engineering program and oversaw the department's significant rise in national rankings. Weber has held progressively responsible administrative roles at UB, including senior vice provost and vice provost for academic affairs, where he was instrumental in the creation of the UB Curriculum and the nationally recognized Finish in 4 program; and vice president for student life, where he focused on enhancing the student experience on campus and promoting overall student wellness.

Weber earned bachelor's and master's of science degrees in civil engineering from Virginia Polytechnical Institute and a PhD in civil engineering from the University of California, Davis.

Robert G. Shibley

Dean
SUNY Distinguished Professor



For more than 40 years, Bob Shibley has advanced evidence-based design excellence as a professor, scholar and practitioner of architecture and urban planning at the University at Buffalo. Dean of the School of Architecture and Planning

since 2011, he joined UB in 1982 as professor and chair of architecture and was elevated to the rank of SUNY Distinguished Professor in 2021. Over the past decade, Shibley has guided the School to a top-ranked position in research generation among schools of architecture and planning in the prestigious Association of American Universities. His leadership of citizen-driven planning in Buffalo has laid the foundation for the city's resurgence and is a model for other city-regions throughout the world. In 1990, Shibley founded The Urban Design Project, a university center for the study and critical practice of urban design that developed an international award-winning ensemble of plans for the City of Buffalo's downtown, waterfront and Olmsted park system, as well as its citywide comprehensive plan. He continues to advance this work through the UB Regional Institute, which aligned with the Urban Design Project in 2011 and today leads a new wave of regional planning efforts. Prior to his appointment as dean, Shibley led the development of *UB 2020: The Comprehensive Physical Plan* as a senior advisor to UB's president. He is the author of 120 publications, including 17 books and 15 book chapters. In 2014, the American Institute of Architects awarded Shibley with the Thomas Jefferson Award for Public Architecture. Shibley is also a recipient of the UB President's Medal, and a fellow in both the American Institute of Architects and American Institute of Certified Planners.

Charles L. Davis II

Associate Professor
Department of Architecture



Charles L. Davis II (MArch '02, BPS '00), associate professor of architectural history and criticism at the University at Buffalo, is a distinguished alumnus of the School of Architecture and Planning and an internationally recognized scholar on racial identity in

architectural history and contemporary design culture. His current book project, tentatively entitled "*Black By Design: An Interdisciplinary History of Making in Modern America*," recovers the overlooked contributions of Black artists and architects in shaping the built environment from the Harlem Renaissance to Black Lives Matter. Davis is co-editor of *Race and Modern Architecture: A Critical History from the Enlightenment to the Present* (University of Pittsburgh, 2020), which traces the historical influence of race thinking in modern architectural discourses. He is also the author of *Building Character: The Racial Politics of Modern Architectural Style* (University of Pittsburgh, 2019) and co-editor of *Diversity and Design: Understanding Hidden Consequences* (Routledge, 2015). His research has been supported by grants from the Canadian Center for Architecture, the Graham Foundation for Advanced Studies in the Fine Arts, the University of Pennsylvania and the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. Davis currently serves on the Board of Directors for the Society of Architectural Historians, where he is the co-chair of its Race and Architectural History affiliate group and producer of its podcast "Race &." In 2021, he was awarded the Diversity Achievement Award by the Association of Collegiate Schools of Architecture in honor of his exemplary work on racial equity in architecture. In addition to his degrees from UB, Davis holds a PhD in architectural history from the University of Pennsylvania.

Candidates for Degrees

Subject to the completion of all degree requirements, degrees will be conferred as indicated upon those individuals listed herein who were identified by April 9, 2022, and upon such others as may meet the requirements of their respective degrees. Candidates are listed according to actual date of degree conferral (August 2021, February 2022 and June 2022).

Latin Honors

Subject to completion of all degree requirements and satisfaction of the following minimum criteria, Latin honors may be conferred as indicated upon the individuals listed herein and upon such others as may meet the requirements. To qualify for Latin honors, students must present a minimum of 60 credit hours of UB undergraduate coursework, at least 54 of which must be graded credits (i.e., not satisfactory or unsatisfactory [grades of 'S' or 'U']). The UB GPA must be a minimum of 3.2 (to 3.499) for cum laude, 3.5 (to 3.749) for magna cum laude and 3.75 (to 4.0) for summa cum laude.

To receive the Latin honors designation in the printed 2022 commencement programs, candidates for the June 2022 degree conferral date must qualify based upon their UB cumulative GPA through the Winter 2022 session and total number of UB credit hours projected through the Spring 2022 semester. Standings for Latin honors may change once final grades are posted or degrees conferred.

Legend

Cum laude is denoted by an *

Magna cum laude is denoted by **

Summa cum laude is denoted by ***

Tau Sigma Delta is denoted by #

Academic Recognition Items

The Gold Cord

This cord is awarded to students who are graduating with Latin honors.

The Grey and Red Stole

This stole was received by students who are University Honors College graduates.

The SUNY Chancellor's Medallion

This medallion was presented to recipients of the SUNY Chancellor's Award for Student Excellence. They were selected for this award based on their academic excellence and extracurricular involvement.

The WNY Prosperity Fellowship Medallion

This medallion was received by graduating WNY Prosperity Fellows. They were selected for this fellowship based on their commitment and demonstrated potential to positively impact WNY's economic development and sustainability.

Tau Sigma Delta

Tau Sigma Delta is the national academic honor society for architecture and allied arts representing the top 20% highest achieving undergraduate students. Graduating members wear a white satin stole embroidered with gold letters.

Non-Academic, University-Wide Recognition Items

The Kente Stole

This stole was received by students who participated in UB's ALANA Celebration of Achievement which historically has honored graduating African, Latino/a, Asian and Native American students.

The Rainbow Tassel

This tassel was received by students who participated in the Lavender Ceremony, celebrating achievements of graduating students who identify with the Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender and Queer community at UB.

The Red, White and Blue Cord

This cord is being worn by graduating UB students who are reservists, members of the National Guard, newly commissioned officers or veterans of the United States armed forces.

Baccalaureate Degrees

Bachelor of Science in Architecture

February 2022

Michael James Bushen*
Arthur Aaron Clay*
Dylan Joseph Fiscus**
Geoff Oskar Heller
Bruno A. Hernandez Pacheco
Paige Anna Kaminski**
Mason Hawke Kelly
Lisa Liang**#
Gartin Thomas Lin*
Michael Joseph Johnson Payne
Samuel Paul Pruitt
Alexis Salamino***#
Catheryn Shadic***#
Nathan Henry Spangler**
Nicholas James Sturner
Zin Wai**

June 2022

John Daniel Archilla**
Peter Thomas Bua**
Michelle Chen
Kayla Clark***#
Nicholas Scott Clifford
Benjamin Coates
Jacob Peter Dannenfeldt***#
Shannon O'Connell DeBottis
Anh Shavindya Seneviratne Do***#
Ryan Patrick Edwards
Briana Mary Egan***#
Nicolas William Ernst
Christian Michael Frank
Brandon Gil*
Caterina Carla Adriana Edda Gnecco**
Cameron Christopher Hausfelder
James Arthur Herlihy
Lauren Herran*
Benjamin Michael Hewitson
Mahogany Rae Jones-Jorissen
Matt Kinnally*
Rachel Michelle Kramp

Brian Owen Kwong**#
Haley Alexis Lemke**
Thomas S. Lidlow
Alexandra Elizabeth Marchioli**
Nathaniel Scott Marron*
Michael Ryan Martinovic
Shannon Marie McCarthy*
Jack Daniel McGowan*
Abdulquddus Mohammad*
Madeline Elizabeth Moore*
Nicole Muszynski*
Michael Andrew Napier*
Sean Henry O'Keefe*
David Lee Pearce*
Kira Lynn Podmayersky**#
Curtis R. Ramsay
Joshua Jay Reyes***#
Juan Luis Romero Vazquez
Naomi Nicole Romero
Devon E. Schmalzle**
Noah Christopher Senft
William Riley Sittler*
Thomas Paul Stankowski***#
Zachary Thomas Stefanovic**
Charles Edward Stevens***#
Ryan Peter Storto*
Joseph Carl Tripi**
Antonio Christopher Vargas
Samantha B. Vetter*
Julia Marguerite Wade***#
Edward Victor Michael Wallace*
Zachary Wiekierak*
Bianca Marie Wilson
Michelle Catherine Wohlers**

Minor in Architecture

August 2021

Valerie Elizabeth Keicher

February 2022

Mario Santos Aguilar III**#
Oluwadamilola Mercy Bankole***#
Samantha Jae Fox***#
Michael Austin Gagliardi
Cameron Hall

Ian Dustin Kuebler
Jackie Ng
Matthew J. Nowinski
Safayath Rahman Rafat
Jigar Sandhu*
Katie K. Scott
Matthew A. Valles
Alex A. Ward
Mark Yaxis**
Vic Zou
Peter Ryan Zuidema*

June 2022

Richard Thomas Anderson***#
Rasheed Olufemi Aribidesi
Kyle James Backert
Nathan Barbara
Brian Andrew Berenato
Paolo Bianchi
Claire Ana Brinkworth*
Caitlin Chan*
Julian Chen
Tyrese Vaughn Davis**
Jiasheng Ding*
Reilly A. Dzielski
Moshe Eyoto
Kaitlyn Rose Fernandez
Ashley Nicole Godoy***#
Angelina Margaret Hawken*
Bryan Carlton Hensen
Mohammad Sadavi Hossain
Ehler Htoo***#
Tanner Laramee
Devin Lin
Katharine C. Mahoney***#
James David Metzger***#
Jack Richard Montalto*
Timothy James Odell*
Maegen B. O'Hara***#
Tiffany H. Perez*
Brittany M. Robinson***#
Nathaniel Richard Rogers**
Matthew Paul Sieracki*
Paige Elizabeth Smith
Angus Enhskat Sunday*
Turab Syed**
Yessica Vazquez

Serina Velletta*
Taylor Ayanna Wallace*
Sage Maximillian Welte
Yaozu (Ken) Wu
Sophia Zhang**
Bobby Zhao**
Mi Zhou

Bachelor of Arts in Environmental Design

August 2021

Valerie Elizabeth Keicher

February 2022

Mario Santos Aguilar III**#
Oluwadamilola Mercy Bankole***#
Samantha Jae Fox***#
Michael Austin Gagliardi
Cameron Hall
Ian Dustin Kuebler
Matthew J. Nowinski
Yoshifumi Oka**
Safayath Rahman Rafat
Jigar Sandhu*
Katie K. Scott
Connor Robert Smith
Zachary Soriano
Daniel Oghale Ukiri**#
Katie Ann Ulrich*
Matthew A. Valles
Alex A. Ward
Mark Yaxis**
Vic Zou
Peter Ryan Zuidema*

June 2022

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Kyle James Backert
Nathan Barbara
Brian Andrew Berenato
Julia Christine Bertolini*
Paolo Bianchi
Claire Ana Brinkworth*

Baccalaureate Degrees

Caitlin Chan*
Tyrese Vaughn Davis**
Matthew John DiFrancesco
Jiasheng Ding*
Reilly A. Dzielski
Moshe Eyoto
Kaitlyn Rose Fernandez
Ashley Nicole Godoy***#
Angelina Margaret Hawken*
Bryan Carlton Hensen
Mohammad Sadavi Hossain
Ehler Htoo****#
Olivia Jiang*
Tanner Laramee
Fanny Liang****#
Devin Lin
Katharine C. Mahoney****#
Ellison Rae McMahon
James David Metzger***#
Michael C. Miller
Jack Richard Montalto*
Liam Joseph Mussi*
Timothy James Odell*
Maegen B. O'Hara****#
Tiffany H. Perez*
Brittany M. Robinson****#
Nathaniel Richard Rogers**
Matthew Paul Sieracki*
Angus Enhskat Sunday*
Turab Syed**
Giancarlo M. Torres
Christopher James Vaughan
Yessica Vazquez
Serina Velletta*
Jacob A. Vollers****#
Taylor Ayanna Wallace*
Sage Maximillian Welte
Shaojun Wu*
Yaozu (Ken) Wu
Arnold Chong Hun Wui
Stephen Yates***#
Daniel Zakis****#
Sophia Zhang**
Bobby Zhao**
Frankie Zhou

Minor in Environmental Design

February 2022

Megan Nicole Benzinger
Arthur Aaron Clay*
Dylan Joseph Fiscus**
Bruno A. Hernandez Pacheco
Gartin Thomas Lin*
Jackie Ng
Alexis Salamino****#
Catheryn Shadic****#
Nathan Henry Spangler**

June 2022

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Peter Thomas Bua**
Kayla Clark**#
Jacob Peter Dannenfeldt **#
Anh Shavindya Seneviratne
Do****#
Nicolas William Ernst
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Gnecco**
Cameron Christopher Hausfelder
Alexandra Elizabeth Marchioli**
Michael Ryan Martinovic
Jack Daniel McGowan*
Darian Alexander McIntosh
Abdulquddus Mohammad*
Nicole Muszynski*
Patrick F. O'Shea
Kira Lynn Podmayersky**#
Sara Keefe Popp
Joshua Jay Reyes**#
Devon E. Schmalzle**
Thomas Paul Stankowski**#
Zachary Thomas Stefanovic**
Charles Edward Stevens***#
Joseph Carl Tripi**
Samantha B. Vetter*
Edward Victor Wallace*
Zachary Wiekierak*
Michelle Catherine Wohlers**

Master Degrees

Master of Architecture

August 2021

Deborah R. Urban
Austin Sibley Wyles#

February 2022

Anubha Agrawal
Emily Jessica Battaglia
Isha Bubna
Thomas Joseph Cleary
Christian Colella
Eryn Elizabeth Conlon#
Gwyneth A. Harris
Marissa Rose Hayden#
XiaoFeng Jiang
Raegen Nicole Lester
Liya Rachal Chandy
Sakeena Theresa Nazir
Madelaine Allison Ong
Forrest Lindberg Fall
Dylan Robert Russ
Prachi Raghunath Shetty
Richa Dilip Shukla
Christopher Lee Sweeney#
Aishwarya Suresh Vyawahare

June 2022

Kwabena Tetteh Adonu
Jacob Barkan
Joshua Barzideh
Nicholas Howard Blackwell
Katelyn Marie Broat#
Christopher T. Chudy#
Ryan Christopher Cortazzo
Arundathi Dakshinamurthy
Nicholas Ryan Eichelberger#
Samantha K. Goemmel
Denice Marie Guillermo
Jack Heiser
John William Henning#
Nicholas James Hills#
Lydia Ho
Christopher David Hopkins
Lovepreet Kaur#
Marietta Rose Koeberle#
John Glenn Lauder
Nujhath Nahin
Brian Andrew Nicpon
Timothy Andrew Noble

Zoe Nicole Nye#
Sangeetha Palangat Othayoth
Dev Patel
Christian Perrone
Joseph Andrew Privitera
Nathan George Roukous
Nicole Sarmiento#
Michaela Jacey Senay
Boubacar Sow
Sindhu Sriram#
Benjamin William Starr
Taylor Stewart
Robert Sullivan
Phuong Cam Vu
Benjamin Michael Wemesfelder
Adara Marie Zullo#

Master of Urban Planning

February 2022

Ethan Fogg
Ashley Simone Hudson
Ausra Marie Mussett#
Cynthia Jean Wood

June 2022

Justyn Kenneth Bellitto#
Nathaniel Bonafede
Anthony William Bruma
Emma Moran Cook
Evan Jacob Dash
Alexis Diane Duwe
Ruth Cagan Fatolitis#
Theodore Gagne Griswold
Eric Caswell Johnson#
Zachary Cameron Korosh
Jacob L. Kotler#
Sadie Elizabeth Kratt
Amaris Margheritte Lighty
Sarah Margaret Martin
Rey Ricardo Medina
Nathaniel Marvin Mich#
Christian Alessandro Oliveira
Demelo
Annalyse Paulsen
Jackson Tyler Pavlakis
Joshua Thomas Rogers
Jeremy Ryan Sanford
Yixuan Zhao

Master Degrees

Master of Architecture/ Master of Fine Arts

June 2022
Timothy Zeng

Master of Science in Architecture

June 2022
Rukaiya Binte Karim

Master of Science in Real Estate Development

February 2022
Marc Anthony Ayala
Grace Hannah Valerie Bird
Nelson Matthew Burke
Sean Joseph Cook
Constantine Koutsandreas#
Dawn Lai
Raymond David Leto
Mythea Doriana Mazzola#
Joshua David Pasternak
Andrea Ronsisvalle
Evan James Scales

June 2022
Sergy Mike Mendel Dossous
Joshua Israel
Kyle Edward Siegel

Advanced Certificate in Historic Preservation

June 2022
Sarah Margaret Martin

Doctoral Degrees

Doctor of Philosophy in Urban Planning

August 2021
Ji Min Choi
Smitha Divakar

Student Awards

Department of Architecture

Alpha Rho Chi Medal

In recognition of professionalism in leadership, service and merit.

ARCC / King Student Medal for Excellence in Architectural + Environmental Research

This award is given to one graduate student for an outstanding master's thesis and acknowledges innovation, integrity, and scholarship in architecture and/or environmental design research.

AIA Medal for Academic Excellence

Awarded to the highest-ranking graduating Master of Architecture student in recognition of excellence in architecture, leadership and high professional standards.

Department of Urban Planning

Master of Urban Planning Best Final Project Award

In recognition of the highest quality final project in the Department of Urban and Regional Planning.

Best Thesis Award in Urban Planning

In recognition of the highest-quality master's thesis in the Department of Urban and Regional Planning.

AICP Planning Excellence Award

In recognition of high standard of professional and school citizenship.

Plus You = Possibility

50+ Anniversary Celebration marks a milestone in the history of our School

Deferred more than two years due to the pandemic, the School of Architecture and Planning's 50+ Anniversary Celebration program opened our doors wide to the community, putting the work of faculty, students and alumni – across five decades – on full display. It was an inspirational demonstration of the power of the “plus” – the people, ideas and values that drive us as a School, then and now.

The celebration on April 5-6, 2022, was a coming together like no other, at a time like no other. After two years of separation, we were thrilled to invite community members into our spaces for learning and making in celebration of 50 years of inspiration and impact – in our region, around the world, and across our professions.

The two-day program included a School-wide open house; the unveiling of the 50+ Alumni Exhibition in Hayes Hall; the Sydney Gross Alumni Symposium, featuring 11 young alumni driving innovation across the built environment professions; and a special exhibition of the School's work in Buffalo over 50 years.

Founded in 1969 as the “School of Architecture and Environmental Design,” we began as a self-described “band of renegades” leading a radical experiment in design education, one that situated the study of design and planning in its social contexts. Today, we hold the top ranks in research among architecture and planning schools across the nation; are known world-wide for our “city-as-classroom” approach to teaching and research; and extend our reach around the world through global scholarship and a network of nearly 6,500 alumni.

As we take stock of the trajectory of our first 50 years, we ask, “Where to from here?” Today is a moment of great possibility - for our School, for the University at Buffalo, and for our professions. As we act with bold ambition and renewed urgency on the complex challenges facing cities today, we imagine what's possible when we work together. We invite you to be part of the conversation as we advance our collective mission to create a more equitable, resilient and vibrant built environment for all: archplan.buffalo.edu/PlusYou



Photos from the 50+ Anniversary Celebration, by KC Kratt

50+ Alumni Exhibition

Alumni and friends from near and far joined with faculty and students in our Hayes Hall Atrium Gallery for the unveiling of our 50+ Alumni Exhibition, featuring 50+ alumni, in 50 images, over 50 years. The exhibition showcases the bold ideas of our graduates realized through diverse modes of practice, from built works and community plans to experimental installations and acts of public service. Each image tells a personal story of creative drive and professional excellence; together, these 50 images represent the collective impact of our graduates at work across the professions, at all scales, and in communities around the world.



Sydney Gross Alumni Symposium

Students and faculty heard from a panel of 11 distinguished young alumni leading innovation across our professions. From a professor of urban planning and an award-winning designer of tiny homes, to a civic entrepreneur advocating for social justice and a designer with one of the top architectural firms in the world, our alumni guests shared their personal and professional journeys since graduation, including projects of inspiration and how their time at UB has shaped their pathway.



Open Studio

Drawing on the School's cherished tradition of Atelier, the 50+ Anniversary Celebration included a School-wide open house with more than 100 displays of faculty and student work. A celebration of the creative process and maker culture behind our work, the event cast open the doors of our studios, shop facilities, critique spaces, research centers and classrooms with displays of work across our programs in architecture, urban planning, environmental design and real estate development. The exhibitions spanned Hayes Hall, the academic heart of our School, our Fabrication Workshop and SMART Fabrication Factory in Parker Hall, and undergraduate studio spaces in the Hayes and Acheson Hall Annexes.



"The City and Its School"

Installed at Buffalo's CEPA Gallery (April 6 – May 19, 2022), "The City and Its School" presents two exhibitions exploring the School's 50-year investment in its host city: "Buffalo Constructing Buffalo: From Olmsted to Van Valkenburgh," a visual narrative interpreting the civic planning process behind the Ralph C. Wilson, Jr. Centennial Park emerging on Buffalo's Lake Erie waterfront, the foundation of city plans that inspired it and the best practices research that informed it; and "See It Through Buffalo," a documentary short that captures the varied urban landscapes of Buffalo and educational spaces of the School, revealing the exchange between a school and its city. Both exhibitions debuted in Venice, Italy, at *Time Space Existence*, an international exhibition that runs in parallel with the Venice Architecture Biennale, the world's preeminent forum for architecture and design.



Crosby Hall Renovation

The renovation of Crosby Hall, the hub of our undergraduate studio experience, was also featured in the celebration. Guests were invited to hear from renovation architect Andrew Berman about the \$28 million renovation, which will restore the building's exterior to historic standards and reconfigure the interior into an airy, open, contemporary space for learning and making.

Dean's Message

Dear Class of 2022:

Congratulations on this milestone achievement along your life's journey. Today, we celebrate you - your hard work, your dedicated pursuit of innovation in our disciplines, your perseverance in a time of challenge. And the aspiration and ambition you bring to the work of building a better world.

Earlier this semester we marked a similarly momentous occasion for the School of Architecture and Planning, convening nearly 300 alumni, friends, partners, students, faculty and staff for our 50+ Anniversary Celebration. As we gathered together – surrounded by the work of our students, faculty and alumni – the power of the "plus" was all around us. We felt the bond of our School community across the eras, united in an ambition to engage our disciplines on the grand challenges of our time.

As graduates of the School of Architecture and Planning, you are our greatest ambassadors of the "plus." Over the course of your studies, you have navigated life-shaping challenges, emerging as skilled makers and doers, adept collaborators, and activist-oriented scholars and practitioners. As you consider the complex problems facing cities today – from shortages in affordable housing to our warming planet – I urge you to embrace the same optimism and problem-solving agility that got you here today.

The current moment has created a space of agency and action for the world-making professions of architecture, urban planning, environmental design and real estate development. You stand at the threshold of possibility. Take your skills and ambitions into the world and put them to work on the challenges at hand. We can't wait to see where you take us.

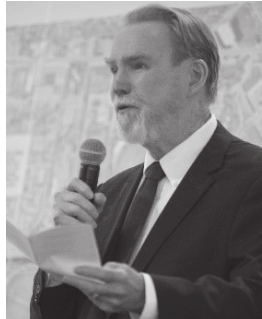
Know that even as you move on to your next adventure, you remain a part of the School of Architecture and Planning. You are now among an esteemed community of nearly 6,500 alumni leading the way as advocates for new ways of thinking, making, building – and living. In the spirit of the "plus," only in working together can we realize our ambition to create more equitable, resilient and inspiring places for all.

Today is the start of a new chapter in your life – and you are ready. Bask in this sense of accomplishment. You have earned it. Class of 2022, here's to all you have achieved, and all that's to come. Congratulations on your graduation from the University at Buffalo's School of Architecture and Planning!

All the best,



Robert G. Shibley, FAIA, FAICP
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UB Alma Mater

*Music by UB students in 1903.
Lyrics adapted by UB students in 2006
for contemporary use.*

Verse 1:

The pride of our spirit and tradition,
Our alma mater's truth and name declare.
Celebrate our history and wisdom,
O let us all prepare to sing her glory.

Refrain:

To Buffalo all hail to thee,
Noble and strong, it's our university!
To blue and white pledge loyalty,
Singing, I will always remember thee!

Verse 2:

We'll ever keep our standards high,
And sing UB's praises to the sky.
Receiving the finest education,
Our knowledge we impart unto the nations.
(Repeat refrain)

Verse 3:

Our friends we've made with ties that bind,
A union of our spirit, heart and mind.
Together we'll continue life's journey,
O may dear Buffalo forever be.
(Repeat refrain)

The Mace

Designed to tell the story of the university and the Niagara Frontier, the University at Buffalo mace was fashioned by silversmith Hudson Roysher of Arcadia, CA. It was used for the first time in the 1962 general commencement.

The mace is silver with accents of lapis and howlite to represent the university's colors. It is topped by a miniature-walled structure representing the City of Buffalo. Engraved atop the city are three arrows bound together, symbolizing the unity of UB and the city.

A band of alternating jewels of lapis and howlite encircles the head of the mace and bears the founding dates of the 13 divisions that composed the university in 1962.

The UB arms appear on the front of the head. On the back are the arms of the United States, encircled by the name Millard Fillmore and the dates during which he was president and UB chancellor. The discovery of Lake Erie in 1669 by Louis Joliet and early explorations by Robert de LaSalle are symbolized on the left side of the head. A crest on the right side symbolizes the university's role as a dynamic center of human growth and welfare.

The wild rose, the state flower, is depicted in a floral motif at the top and bottom of the mace's head. Encircling the ends of the shaft are three wavy lines representing intellect and water, the latter a reference to the Niagara River and Great Lakes.

The motto "University and City: Community" is lettered in Latin around the knob of the shaft.

Traditionally used in university ceremonials, the mace is a symbol of enlightened authority. The macebearer is the chair of the university's Faculty Senate.



Alumni Welcome

Dear Member of the Class of 2022,

Congratulations! On behalf of the UB Alumni Association, I'm delighted to welcome you to your global network of more than 287,000 alumni. We're proud of all you have accomplished.

As you begin your next chapter, please stay in touch! We have so many ways for you to remain connected—to UB and to each other—through email and social media, as well as through alumni events and volunteer opportunities happening across the country and around the world.

What does this mean for you in practical terms? It means that career help, volunteer opportunities and engaging educational and social events are all yours for the taking. To learn more about what's available with your new alumni status, visit buffalo.edu/alumni.

Remember, this isn't goodbye—it's WELCOME to the UB alumni family. We know you'll always be True Blue and proudly keep your Horns Up, wherever you go and whatever you do. Contact the Office of Alumni Engagement at ub-alumni@buffalo.edu.

Go Bulls!

Darshon Jayasinghe

Darshon Jayasinghe, BA '03
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P.S. Keep your @buffalo email for life simply by logging in through a browser every 90 days.

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