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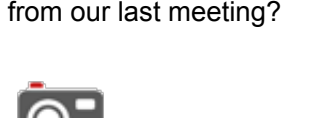
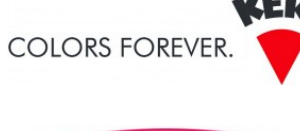


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Would you like to see the images from our last meeting?

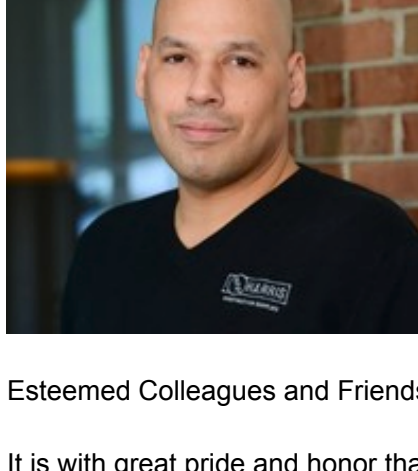


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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



Esteemed Colleagues and Friends,

It is with great pride and honor that I serve as your President of the Metro New York Chapter of ICRI (International Concrete Repair Institute). As I commence my 2-year term, I can't help but to reflect on how I got here. It was a little over 5 years ago that my now-fellow Board members Alex Somohano and Herminio JR Estrella convinced me to join ICRI, and to get involved in a committee. They are also guilty of orchestrating my election to Vice President when I missed a meeting. And since then, I learned not to miss too many meetings! Needless to say, I owe it all to them. Soon after joining, I quickly became intrigued with the association and the benefits of membership. What truly fascinated me though was the like-minded individuals I have met, most of whom I consider my friends today.

I look forward to working shoulder to shoulder with a strong team, including our Board of Directors and Committee members, to enhance membership satisfaction by engaging members, and reacting to their specific needs. We are looking to ramp up our outreach efforts and grow membership, particularly concentrating on expanding our student and younger member enrollment. We are committed to fulfilling our mission to provide education, certification, networking, and leadership to improve the quality of repair, restoration, and protection/preservation of concrete and other material systems.

Going forward, we will avoid unnecessary changes and instead solely focus on the essential elements that enable our membership and chapter to thrive. In doing so we have narrowed our 2020 goals to the three listed below:

- Grow chapter membership and the percentage of members active in our Committees and other Chapter activities by a minimum of 5%.
- Develop the next generation of leadership by targeting students and young professionals. We will be awarding formal scholarships, making a presentation at a local university and diversifying our meeting content and social events to engage these future leaders.
- Conduct an annual local repair awards program and have the chapter present one or more personal awards.

I am excited and confident that our strategies for success will deliver superior results. I hope you will consider becoming a member if not already, and strongly encourage you to get involved in a committee. Join me in bringing awareness to our chapter, association, and industry.

I am deeply grateful to my predecessors for their leadership and am inspired by their outstanding accomplishments. A special thanks to the Board of Directors and Committee Members who selflessly and diligently work behind the scenes to keep our chapter running smoothly. We are fortunate to have such a great team. Lastly, I would like to thank all of our members who support our chapter by giving up their personal time to participate in our meetings and attend social events.

Please reach out to me with any questions, concerns, or suggestions on how we can make ICRI-MNY better.

Yours sincerely,

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INTRODUCING THE 2020 BOARD OF DIRECTORS

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2020 MEETING SCHEDULE UPDATE

Due to the spread of COVID-19, most of our chapter's planned in-person events have been indefinitely postponed. In order to continue providing great content for our members and friends, we are currently transitioning to online webinars and social events. Please check your email and our website for the most up-to-date schedule. As of now, the following events are planned.

- July 23, 5 PM: Virtual Cocktail Hour
- August 6, 11 AM: Webinar - Facade Stabilization Systems
- September 17: Fall Golf Classic XVII

Please be on the lookout for future updates!

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JANUARY TECHNICAL MEETING - BELL TOWER PRESENTATION RECAP



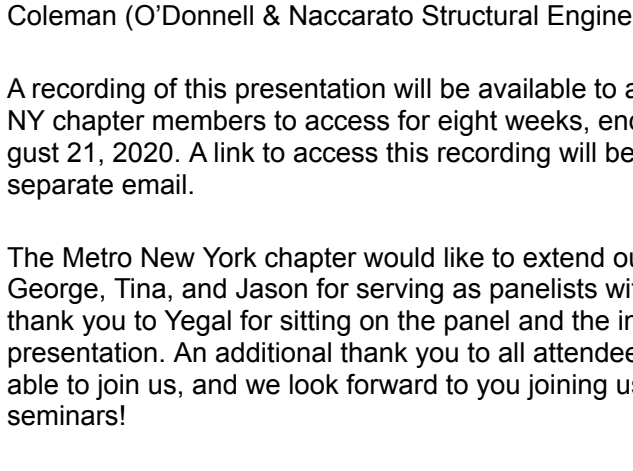
In January, the Metro New York chapter had the privilege of hosting a presentation from New York City-based firm LPE Engineering. Lynn Levine, RA and owner of LPE Engineering, and Matthew Brower, RA and Senior Architect with LPE, shared a case study over the restoration of NYU's King Juan Carlos Bell Tower, one of their many successful projects completed in 2019.

Standing on the Southern edge of Manhattan's Washington Square Park, this historic masonry bell tower was experiencing façade defects found during the required New York City Façade inspection. These failures, along with the discovery of previous interior alterations that affected the stability of the tower, led to the conclusion that a full inside-out restoration would be necessary. The presentation delved into the unique restoration methods, material technologies, and historical implications that were involved in the tower's extensive year-long restoration.

The Metro New York Chapter would like to thank Lynn and Matt for their participation, and all of the attendees who came out to support the event.

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ICRI-METRO NEW YORK CHAPTER SPONSORS NEW JERSEY INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY STUDENTS TO ATTEND ICRI KICKOFF PARTY AT WORLD OF CONCRETE



On February 3rd, 2020, seven students from the Concrete Industry Management (CIM) program at the New Jersey Institute of Technology were invited to attend the ICRI Kickoff party before the start of the World of Concrete convention. The party took place at the Stratosphere Casino and Hotel in Las Vegas, Nevada. The ICRI Kickoff party featured professionals from different branches of the concrete repair industry.

The group of students had the honor to meet members of ICRI & their colleagues, and learn about their careers and companies while experiencing the remarkable 360 degree view of the city of Las Vegas at the Observation Deck of the Stratosphere. The event was a great opportunity for all participating students, giving them the ability to be more involved and network with professionals of the concrete repair industry.

The students would like to give a special thank you to their sponsors, the ICRI-NY Metro Chapter and Pullman Services for making this sponsorship possible! This sponsorship forms part of the Chapter's current effort to increase student engagement and participation.

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FISP/LOCAL LAW 11 - NAVIGATING THE CHANGES

On May 28th, due to the complications from COVID-19, the ICRI Metro NY chapter held our first virtual seminar discussing the myriad of changes to the FISP/Local Law 11 regulations. Yegal Shamash from the New York City Department of Buildings (Investigative Engineering Services) began the seminar with an informative presentation discussing all of the changes that have been implemented for Cycle 9. Yegal touched upon some of the impacts that these alterations we as professionals would encounter during FISP/Local Law 11 inspections.

Following Yegal's opening, a panel was convened to discuss the concerns and challenges our members would face under these updated guidelines. This panel consisted of members representing a wide array of practices, from engineers, to contractors, architects and even the DOB. Our knowledgeable and diverse panel included Yegal Shamash (NYC DOB), George Cole (Cole NYC), Tina Tapinekis (AJLP Surface Design Group), and Jason Coleman (O'Donnell & Naccarato Structural Engineers).

A recording of this presentation will be available to all ICRI Metro NY chapter members to access for eight weeks, ending on August 21, 2020. A link to access this recording will be sent out in a separate email.

The Metro New York chapter would like to extend our gratitude to George, Tina, and Jason for serving as panelists with a special thank you to Yegal for sitting on the panel and the introductory presentation. An additional thank you to all attendees who were able to join us, and we look forward to you joining us for future seminars!

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OSCAR CONCRETE PRESERVATION FOCUS GROUPS

OSCAR, the Online Sustainable Conservation Assistance Resource, is an initiative of the Association for Preservation Technology and its Technical Committee on Sustainable Preservation. The goal of this organization is to allow for the sharing of information concerning the sustainable performance of existing buildings.

Currently, OSCAR is hosting a series of focus groups aimed at gathering resources and information on the preservation of a number of different building materials, with the focus on concrete during Summer 2020.

The next focus group, discussing the preservation of pre-war concrete, will be hosted via Zoom on Thursday, July 16 from 1pm - 2pm EST. Those knowledgeable or interested in this topic or those below are invited to join by emailing apt.tcpsp@gmail.com to register.

Future discussions include:

Pre-war Concrete Preservation: July 24 12-1 PM

Concrete Sustainability: August 13 7-9 PM; August 20 1-2 PM

For more information on this focus group as well as future discussions, visit oscar-apti.org.

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