

STUDENT ASLA NEWSLETTER

Landscape architecture is whatever you want it to be. Don't let anyone break your spirit! Your medium is the land; how powerful is that? - Kelley Oklessen



UPCOMING EVENTS

Weekly SASLA Meeting
Mondays | 12:00pm
Zoom #965-865-6908
[Join the meeting!](#)

Join us for our weekly meeting to see what's going on with SASLA and get involved!

SASLA T-Shirt Sale
Shirts coming in soon!

Support SASLA by showing off your cool new shirt!

ASLA's Annual Conference
November 16-18 | 2020
Virtual
[ReVISION ASLA 2020](#)

Free for graduating seniors! Only \$25 for other students.

Portfolio Review
TBD | 2020

This highly requested event is coming soon as a part of the SASLA Lecture Series. We'll keep you posted! Make sure you take advantage of this opportunity.

Ornament Decorating Event
TBD | 2020

We're excited to get creative and get in the holiday spirit! Stay tuned for more information on our ornaments event.

PUMPKIN CARVING PARTY



Thank you to everyone who participated in this year's Pumpkin Carving Contest! This was our first in-person event of the semester, and we were thrilled to see so many students show up. Those who couldn't make it to campus also joined in by carving their pumpkins over Zoom.

The best overall designed pumpkin this year was carved by Mara Wolfe, a sophomore BLA student. Her inspiration came from the famous meme, Elmo Rise. We were blown away by the craftsmanship! Some other pumpkin designs we loved include scary faces, an owl, Totoro, and the SASLA logo.

We'd like to thank Dr. Myers for making this event possible. SASLA President Emily also deserves a shoutout for picking up the pumpkins and making the event happen! It was a great time carving pumpkins with everyone! We hope you consider joining us next year for our next annual Pumpkin Carving Contest!

Pumpkin Awards



Best Overall



Favorite Virtual Submissions



Tiniest Pumpkin



Cutest Creatures



Most Likely to Scare Kids off the Porch

PROFESSIONAL WELLNESS WORKSHOP

We were grateful to have Kelley Okleson and Kim Jacobs join us for a Professional Wellness Workshop. In the workshop, we went over skills to take care of yourself in a professional environment.

The workshop covered many important topics including organization, having a support team, expectations, boundaries, setting a long term perspective, zoom anxiety, confidence, mind and body wellness, red flags, rights, and motivation.

We owe a huge thank you to Kelley Okleson and Kim Jacobs for taking the time to meet with us and share their expertise! Their guidance and mentorship was greatly appreciated by the UMD SASLA community. We would also like to thank all of the members who showed up and engaged in the conversation.

This was an excellent first event in our lecture series, and we hope to continue with many more. Please feel free to suggest any events you would like to see in the future! The next event that we have in the works is a Portfolio Review. Stay tuned for more information if you are interested in being a part of it!

TIPS TO TAKE AWAY

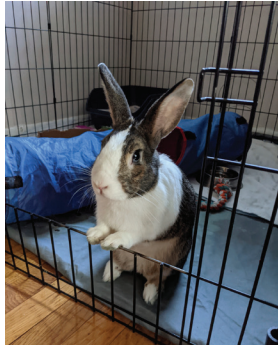
- Organization increases your capacity for creativity.
- Check in with yourself and see if you could be working more efficiently.
- Always ask for clarity.
- Set boundaries and advocate for yourself!
- You're a better worker when you're taking care of yourself.
- Keep a wellness kit and a comfortable space at your desk.
- Enjoy nature; it reduces stress.
- Invest in yourself!
- Procrastination is often due to emotional burden and anxiety, not laziness!

HAPPY FALL!

The much anticipated results of our pet costume contest!



Dino wanted to prove that rabbits can do more than just easter. Honestly, he has us pretty scared. Get you a bunny who does both. 12/10



Confirmation is in fact a rabbit and not a dinosaur ... (we're not completely convinced)



We're not sure if these are cows dressed as cats or cats dressed as cows, but we are sure gona eat mor chikin. Love a kitter with something to say. 13/10



Fitz and Georgie were witch brothers this year. Cast their cuteness spell over all of us. Both are truly bootiful boys. 12/10



Not Charley's first time posing for the newsletter. He's pretty confident that he's the cutest avodoggo out there. We agree Charley, heckin avodorable. 14/10



Ruth Bater Kittysburg says no more pictures please. She's trying to work. Her services are much appreciated. 13/10



Just learned paw and now he's not sure which one to give. It's okay buddy, we'll take them all. Spookiest costume of the year. 14/10



Little unsure in her new costume and would appreciate some pets. Hopes she's at least getting some pupcorn for this. We would give her the world honestly. 13/10



Gingerbread cat got October and December mixed up. Catlendar skills could use some work, but it's okay. We understand Nala, the months are hard. 12/10

Thank you to everyone and their animals for celebrating Halloween with SASLA. We hope that dinorabbit and spiderdog didn't give you too much of a fright, and you had a fun time!

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