



**March Program**

## CONSTRUCT Cincinnati 2010

**March 10<sup>th</sup>, 2010 Sharonville Convention Center**

Featuring

**The 31<sup>st</sup> Annual CSI Construction Product Showcase  
5:00 PM - 8:30 PM**

*Presented by the Cincinnati Chapter of the Construction Specifications Institute*

And

**The Build Green Workshops  
1:30 PM - 5:00 PM**

*Presented by AIA Cincinnati Committee on the Environment, The American Institute of Architects and the Ohio/Kentucky Chapter of the International Interior Design Association*

See page two of this newsletter for more information.

**Upcoming Events**

- March 2 CSI Cincinnati Certification Study Session
- March 3 AIA Construction Exhibit
- March 3 AIA ABC Awards Reception
- March 4 CSI Webinar - Moldy & Wet: Today's Practices for Managing Moisture, Part 2
- March 9 CSI Cincinnati Certification Study Session
- March 10 CSI Cincinnati Construction Products Showcase and Build Green Workshops
- March 11 AIA Enterprise Series I - Sole Propriety
- March 16 CSI Cincinnati Certification Study Session
- March 16 CSI Webinar - Anatomy of a Specification -Part 1
- March 18 ASCE – Queen City Building Mat Foundation
- March 23 CSI Cincinnati Certification Study Session
- March 23 CSI Webinar - Anatomy of a Specification -Part 2
- March 29 - April 3 CSI Certification Exams
- March 30 CSI Webinar - Anatomy of a Specification -Part 3
- March 30 AIA - Integrating Energy Efficiency
- May 11-14 Construct 2010, Philadelphia, PA

**On the Website**

[www.csincincinnati.org](http://www.csincincinnati.org)

Check the CSI Cincinnati Chapter Website often for new information

**News and Views**

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**Membership**

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**Certification**

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**Students**

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**The Presidents View**



"A little madness in the spring is wholesome even for the King." - Emily Dickenson, # 103

The arrival of March can only mean one thing. Now some of you may would say it's March Madness, when the college basketball world swirls with activity and office brackets are filled out in full anticipation of winning it all. Others may be thinking of the first day of Spring, and who can blame them after a record snow fall last month. Of course there's always St. Patrick's Day in March to boost everyone's spirits, whether they're Irish or not.

Actually, the real excitement in March is Construct Cincinnati 2010 on March 10<sup>th</sup> at the Sharonville Convention Center. Save this date because you do not want to miss this educational opportunity to catch up on all the latest technologies and newest products available in the construction industry. Construct Cincinnati 2010 is actually two great opportunities in one day.

The afternoon sessions are seminars/workshops sponsored by AIA C.O.T.E. and will cover topics relating to green construction and sustainable design. These sessions are eligible for AIA learning units and there is a nominal charge for the workshops. Registration through AIA is requested as the spaces may fill up. You can go to the CSI website to register [www.csincincinnati.org](http://www.csincincinnati.org). These sessions will be over at 5 PM.

At 5 PM the 31<sup>st</sup> Annual Construction Products Showcase opens and runs until 8:30. Here you will see over 70 exhibitors displaying the newest in technology, products and services for the construction industry. This event is FREE. Yes, it's all free, the food, the beverages (adult included), door prizes, including a \$1,000 grand prize.

In addition to all that is the opportunity to meet new people, renew old acquaintances and expand your knowledge of the industry's latest products and services.. This event is open to all architects, engineers, designers and construction related professionals.

Come to the workshops and stay for the show or just come to the trade show at 5 PM. It is truly one of the premier events in the area that will not want to miss.

Please mark the date and plan to join us for this event. Register on the Cincinnati CSI website [www.csincincinnati.org](http://www.csincincinnati.org). We hope to see you there.

**Bob Schrock, CSI, CCPR**

PPG Industries  
CSI Cincinnati Chapter President

Spring is nature's way of saying, "Let's party!" - Robin Williams

**Certification Classes Continue**

Planning on taking one of the CSI Certification exams this month? It's not too late to get in a little extra cramming by joining our Cincinnati certification study classes this month. The following study sessions are still available.

- Mar 02, 2010 Methods of Specifying, Specification Language
- Mar 09, 2010 Drawings, Coordinating Drawings and Specifications
- Mar 16, 2010 Submittals, Modifications, Warranties, Bonds, Insurance
- Mar 23, 2010 Post Construction, Facility Management, Study Questions

Study sessions are held at the offices of Benjamin, Yocum & Heather, LLC, Attorneys at Law, The American Book Building, 300 Pike Street Suite 500, Cincinnati, OH 45202

**February New Members, Welcome!**

- Mr. Tony Dargo, CSI
- Mr. Steve Rone, CSI
- Mr. Howard Brokenshire, CSI
- Lynn Imaging
- Roth Partnership
- Contemporary Walls



**Mark your calendars now for Construct Cincinnati** <



March 10, 2010 Sharonville Convention Center  
**The 31<sup>st</sup> Annual CSI Construction Products Showcase**

*Presented by the Cincinnati Chapter of the Construction Specifications Institute*

**5:00 pm - 8:30 pm**

See, touch and learn about the latest products and technology from nearly 100 of the industry's leading companies. Select your targets, chart your course, leave room for discovery, stop and ask, and chose your literature carefully and we are sure your visit to The CSI Construction Products Showcase will be profitable and rewarding.

**Free Admission** **Free Food and Beverages**  
**Door Prizes All Night** **\$1000 Grand Prize!** **\$100 Pre-Registration Prize**

*Pre-register online through CSI Cincinnati at [www.csincincinnati.org](http://www.csincincinnati.org) or call 513-746-6302 to be eligible for the \$100 pre-registration prize.*

Register for the Construction Products Showcase online at [www.csincincinnati.org/product\\_show.html](http://www.csincincinnati.org/product_show.html) or by phone at 513-746-6302



**CSI Construction Product Showcase Gold Sponsor**

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**1:00 pm - 2:00 pm**

**Beyond Energy Efficiency - Net Zero Energy Buildings**

**Steve Melink, Melink Corporation**

Discuss designing buildings with zero net energy consumption and zero carbon emissions annually as well as producing renewable energy on-site.

**2:15 pm - 3:30 pm**

**Forest Stewardship Council (FSC) Certification: A Consultants Perspective**

**Stephen Grado, Dept. of Forestry, College of Forest Resources, Mississippi State**

What does it really mean when you use FSC certified wood products? Learn what goes into certifying a forest and the importance of forest management.

**3:45 pm - 5:00 pm**

**Environmental Protection Declaration (EPD): Assessing the True Impact of 'Green' Products**

**Deborah Dunning, President & CEO of 'The Green Standard'**

Learn about EPD's, the next generation of third party certification based on product life cycle assessment. Like nutrition labels on food, EPD shows things like raw material extraction, energy use, and soil and water emissions.

Each program earns 1 AIA/CES, HSW Credit

**Cost: \$35 for all workshops combined**  
**Student attendance is free. Space is limited so RSVP early**

Register for the Build Green Workshops online at [www.aiacincinnati.org](http://www.aiacincinnati.org)

Deadline for Registration is March 5, 2010



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**Building Product Manufacturers Alliance** <

**Alexandria, Va.** – Two years ago The Construction Specifications Institute (CSI) announced the formation of the Building Product Manufacturers Alliance (BPMA), a new group that brings together leading manufacturers to share knowledge that will reshape and enhance the future of the building industry. BPMA helps its members improve their products and services and strengthen their outreach to the entire building industry by providing a forum to discuss common issues and challenges and to share best practices.

"Today's construction market increasingly calls for high-performance buildings, environmentally friendly materials and practices, and technologically advanced components," says CSI Executive Director and CEO Walter Marlowe. "BPMA helps building product manufacturers across all product categories meet the needs of the changing marketplace."

As the national association of specifiers, architects, engineers, contractors and suppliers, CSI is in a unique position to bring together manufacturers and to connect them to other key sectors of the building industry through BPMA.

**Why join the BPMA?**

- Identify key challenges facing the building construction industry with special emphasis on the specific needs of building product manufacturers.
- Address common issues and challenges faced by building product manufacturers.
- Identify critical trends in building construction, design and business that will affect the industry.
- Contribute to the development of new products, programs and services that improve building construction and benefit building product manufacturers.
- Address new technologies that will benefit the building construction industry as well as affect the performance of building product manufacturers.
- Collaborate and communicate domestic and global "best practices" that will affect the entire group of building product manufacturers.
- Create benchmarking through networking and collaboration of building product manufacturers during and after meetings.
- Participate in "future thinking" emphasis through an exchange of information, technology, forecasts, etc.
- Promote more effective communications between leading building product manufacturers and AEC firms.
- Address sustainability and whole systems thinking in design, manufacturing and installation of building materials and products.
- Facilitate the education and awareness of design and construction professionals on products, services, installation, and other relevant topics provided by building product manufacturers.
- Commission research to better understand, define and communicate issues and opportunities important to the success of building product manufacturers and the entire building construction industry.
- Establish connections that can be pursued informally between meetings.
- Receive periodic reports covering important information shared and generated at the meetings, plus other topics of general interest.
- Participate in an online discussion forum to share information and seek input from other building product manufacturers.
- Preferred status for sponsorship, education, training and other valuable opportunities available from CSI.
- Enhance the sales and profits of building product manufacturers.