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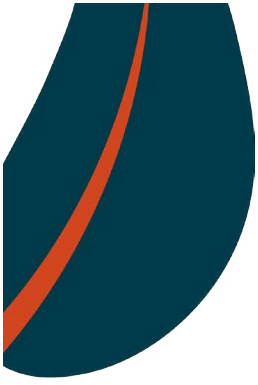
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# UPCOMING EVENTS

Las Vegas, Nevada

## RAIN BIRD LUNCH & LEARN

1 CEU/PDH

Tuesday, July 9, 2024

11:30 AM - 1:00 PM

8050 Paradise Rd Suite 100 #105, Las Vegas, NV 89123  
for more information: [president@nvasla.com](mailto:president@nvasla.com)

## EXERPLAY LUNCH & LEARN

1 CEU/PDH

Wednesday, July 31, 2024

12:00 PM - 1:00 PM

Location: Virtual

## WYNN GARDEN TOUR

Saturday, August 10, 2024

7:00 AM - 09:30 AM

Wynn: 3131 Las Vegas Boulevard South  
Las Vegas, NV 89109

## GOLF TOURNAMENT

Friday, September 13, 2024

12:00 PM - 6:30 PM

Boulder Creek Golf Club  
1501 Veterans Memorial Drive Boulder City, NV,  
89005 United States  
For more information: [wayne@jwzunino.com](mailto:wayne@jwzunino.com)

## PARK-(ING) DAY

Friday, September 20, 2024

4:00 PM - 8:00 PM

4205 Spring Mountain Rd, Las Vegas, NV 89102

## GPH LUNCH & LEARN

1 CEU/PDH

Friday, October 18, 2024

11:30 AM - 1:00 PM

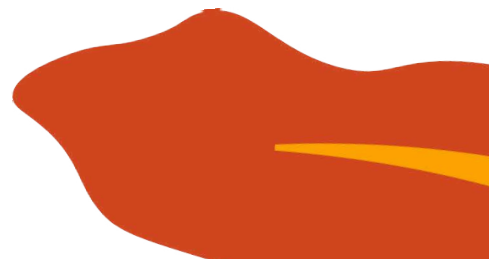
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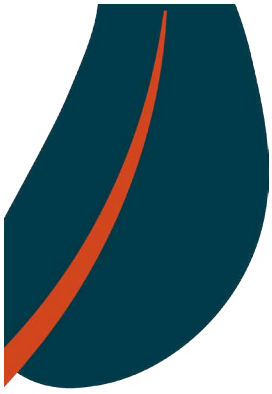
## PARKPRO PLAYGROUNDS TOUR

Saturday, October 19, 2024

Time: TBA

Ice Age Fossils State Park  
8660 N Decatur Blvd, North Las Vegas, NV 89085





# UPCOMING EVENTS

Reno, Nevada

## WESTERN NEVADA TURF AND HARDSCAPE - HAPPY HOUR

1 CEU/PDH

Wednesday, July 17, 2024

4:30 PM - 6:30 PM

Location: 3785 Barron Way, Reno, NV 89511

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## BRIGHTIEW - LUNCH & LEARN

**We're excited  
to announce  
the highly  
anticipated  
Bright View  
Lunch coming  
this Fall 2024!**

Enjoy delicious food, refreshing drinks,  
and a breathtaking view of the autumn  
foliage. It's the perfect opportunity to  
meet new people, network with industry  
professionals, and have a great time.

#BrightViewLunchParty #Fall2024  
#NetworkingEvent #Foodie #JoinTheFun



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# President's Message



MICHAEL HERNANDEZ  
**PRESIDENT**

**Hey NVASLA Members  
and Subscribers!**

**PSA: We want your  
attention! We want to  
see you all at our events!**

Anyways, our presence and message have changed slightly. We are focusing on the future, making a bigger splash through social media, and making a better impact in our community. Our chapter is in a unique position to advocate for ideas and changes that impact our work. If we remain in the shadows, only the shadows know what we do and that should not be the case. We can promote our message and image to gain influence with like-minded organizations and to make connections. We can do that by showing up and getting involved with even the simplest tasks.

Also, if you have projects that you would like to share with us, send them our way. We would love to have them (along with a description) included in our Newsletter. All you have to do is reach out, our arms are open.

We are also looking for candidates to fill our Executive Board's positions! If you are interested or know someone who might be, email me **[president@nvasla.com](mailto:president@nvasla.com)**.

Don't be shy!

All the best,  
Michael



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# Every Day Chair

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## Become a Landscape Architect WOMEN OF COLOR LICENSURE ADVANCEMENT PROGRAM



### Program Overview

State licensure signifies a level of professional competency and is an important way to achieve greater career and business success. The ASLA Fund is continuing the Women of Color Licensure Advancement Program to support women of color in their pursuit of landscape architecture licensure and increase racial and gender diversity within the profession.

In its third year, the program will provide 10 women of color with a two-year, personalized experience that includes up to \$3,500 to cover the cost of sections of the Landscape Architectural Registration Exam (LARE), along with exam preparation courses, resources, and mentorship from a licensed landscape architect.

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# CEU OPPORTUNITY

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## #Joinustoday!

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## NVASLA Executive Committee!

Are you ready to take your involvement with NVASLA to the next level? We're excited to announce that nominations are now open for the 2024-2025 NVASLA Executive Committee! This is your chance to be part of a dynamic team dedicated to shaping the future of landscape architecture in Nevada.

We have **five fantastic positions** up for grabs:



**President  
Elect**



**Secretary**



**Treasurer**



**Trustee**



**Northern  
Section  
Chair**

## Who can apply?

Whether you're a **seasoned professional or a new student, we welcome all enthusiastic and passionate members of our community to apply.** If you're committed to advancing the profession and ready to contribute your unique perspective, we want you on our team!

## How to Nominate

Nomination is simple!

**Just send an email to [info@nvasla.com](mailto:info@nvasla.com) with:**

- Your name
- The position you're interested in
- A brief statement about why you want to join the Executive Committee



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# Join NVASLA's Climate Action Committee



**Why should I join?**

- (A) Promote Innovation
- (B) Scale the Issue
- (C) Voice our Concerns
- (D) Make a Difference

## What is the current objective?

- (A) Establish goals
- (B) Foster initiatives
- (C) Review local regulations

## What is my role?

- (A) Collaborate with other professionals
- (B) Review and comment on local documents
- (C) Advocate for change
- (D) Report to the Chair of the Committee



**CLIMATE RESILIENCE – WE COMMIT TO ENHANCING CAPACITY, BIODIVERSITY, AND RESILIENCE OF LIVABLE CITIES AND COMMUNITIES**

### Goal 1: Practice - Scale Up Climate | Positive Approaches

- Objective 1: Expand ecological services to improve climate resilience
- Objective 2: Protect, conserve, and enhance biodiversity
- Objective 3: Incorporate ecologically-sound land management practices
- Objective 4: Support regenerative local agriculture and increase food security

## Issue #1

**Clark County's Title 30**

### Goal 2: Equity - Empower Communities Climate Agency | We commit to advocating for climate equity and social well-being

- Objective 1: Build community
- Objective 2: Understand climate injustices
- Objective 3: Utilize communication tools and techniques
- Objective 4: Share financial access guidance for communities



### Goal 3: Advocacy- Build Coalitions Climate Leadership | We commit to galvanizing climate champions

- Objective 1: Engage the public
- Objective 2: Work with elected officials and public servants
- Objective 3: Support employee health and wellbeing
- Objective 4: Build climate coalitions
- Objective 5: Guide policies

## Next Steps

- (1) Contact/Email **Barb** and **Anna**
- (2) Review CC's Title 30
- (3) Join a meeting
- (4) Provide comments and concerns
- (5) Brainstorm alternatives



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## About ASLA 2024



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Join us Sunday, October 6 - Wednesday, October 9 at the Walter E. Washington Convention Center in Washington, D.C., for ASLA 2024. This landmark event will celebrate the 125-year legacy of the American Society of Landscape Architects while setting sights on the future of the ever-evolving field of landscape architecture.

The conference will feature informative sessions, interactive workshops, and engaging discussions led by experts and innovators. Attendees will gain insights into pressing challenges and emerging possibilities, charting the course for a more resilient and equitable world.

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## Green Schoolyards America

### Expanding to Nevada & New Mexico

We are excited to share that we are expanding our National Schoolyard Forest System and bringing the state-level model we have developed in California to Nevada and New Mexico, thanks to IRA grants through state forestry departments. This work will include mapping the need, convening key stakeholders, and identifying barriers and opportunities to create schoolyard forests across the state. We look forward to sharing more as these projects get underway!





## A Night with Jens Jensen Movie and Discussion at Rancho San Rafael Park

The May Arboretum Society and members of the North Section Nevada ASLA chapter joined together for movie night on June 13 at the Ranch House at Rancho San Rafael Park.

Participants viewed "Jens Jensen: The Living Green" a film about Danish-American landscape architect Jens Jensen. Jensen was renowned for his Prairie Style aesthetic, his efforts to provide green space for residents of Chicago's west side tenements, landscapes for Henry Ford and others and preservation of the Indiana Dunes National Park along Lake Michigan's shores.

If you missed out, the movie directed by Carey Lunden, runs 54 minutes and is available to stream online.

Movie Night is a mostly annual event, thank you Covid, organized by the Arboretum Society and ASLA. Following the screening a discussion on native plants and parks was lead by ASLA members Carrie Jensen (no relation to the film subject that she knows of) and Barb Santner, who worked on the recent update to the City of Reno Parks Master Plan.

A big thank you to the Arboretum Society for the yummy snacks and space in the Ranch House and to the OLD Stone House Nursery for the raffle prize.



Barb Santner and Carrie Jensen discuss native plantings and parks with Movie Night attendees on June 13 at the Ranch House in Rancho San Rafael Park.







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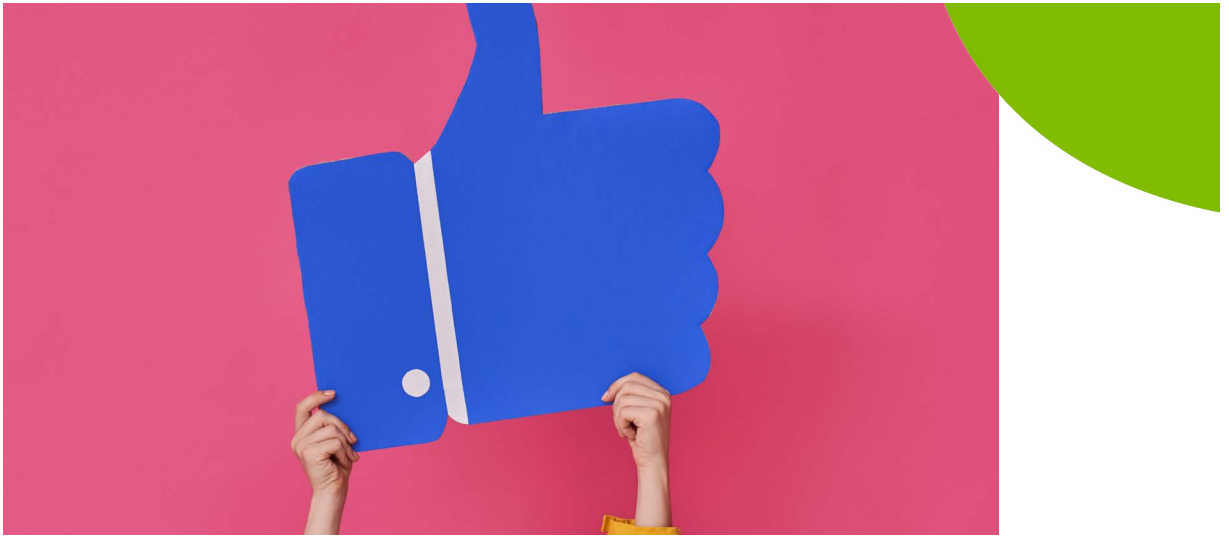
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We are excited to announce that in addition to our newly launched website, we are also relaunching our three social media profiles on Facebook, X, and Instagram!



## **Inclusive Playgrounds: Designing Spaces to Bring Children & Communities Together**



**Sarah Lisiecki**  
Communications & Education Manager

## **Join Burke July 24th at Noon CST!**

**Join us on July 24 from 12:00 - 1:00 pm CST for Inclusive Playgrounds:  
Designing Spaces to Bring Children & Communities Together.**

This course covers important subjects that help us create inclusive and equitable outdoor playspaces where everyone can comfortably find the best of themselves through play. Everything from play for development and universal design principles to inclusive best practices and case studies is covered in this hour-long presentation with time for questions and engagement from the audience.

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## **DESERT OASIS** Innovative Ways to Create More Public Spaces in Las Vegas



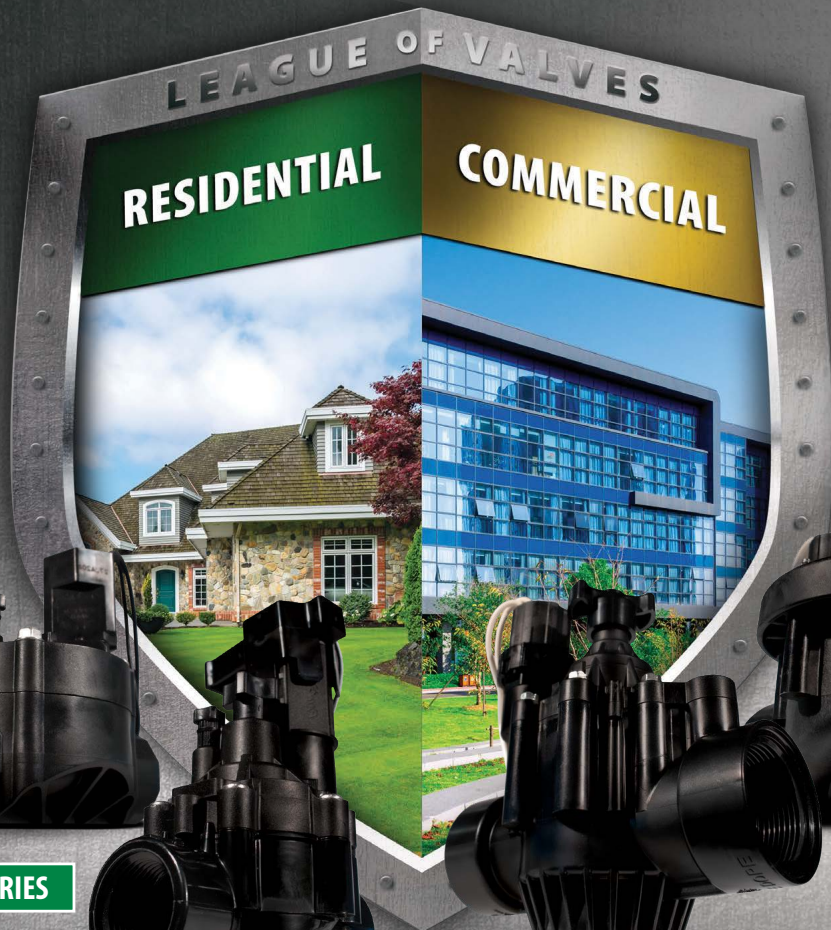
**I**n our latest joint event with the Placemaking Committee (AIA Las Vegas), we chose to focus on the forgotten spaces left behind from our Valley's sprawl. Each of our presenters provided their processes at four different scales, respectively, and how they implement the approach. From high level analysis and planning to boots on the ground community involvement, our presenters explained the challenges they faced and rewards they gained. They also presented the strategies they took to develop initiatives to fund and program these "new" places in the communities they have revitalized.

All of our presenters spoke about context and the community's influence on and near their projects' site. Whether their project site was an infill project or a brand new build, each case study proposed new amendments to the existing codes or regulations. These initiatives, between community leaders and city officials, created avenues for funding to support the projects.

Temporary art installation projects that were flexible in design allowed for community partners and families to get involved. It allowed them a place to showcase their community pride. In some of the photos of the projects, this colorful art, extended beyond the project site and spilled into the streets. It even became a strategy to slow traffic down!

Perhaps, we can learn and implement these strategies in our Valley very soon. We have the know-how and connections to make these types of projects transform our communities. Let us promote new initiatives to revitalize our neighborhoods because we should not let them be forgotten. Let us shift the focus back to them and give them back an identity.

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Boulder Creek Golf Club, Boulder City  
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Shotgun starts at 1pm



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