

Not Business As Usual: Alternative Careers Resources



On July 8, 2009 the chapter hosted an event and panel of individuals trained as architects who have put their skills to use in related industries and fields. The panelists emphasized that when considering other options to a traditional architectural firm, it is important to be aware of skills you prefer to use, your areas of strength and to choose what taps into your passion (so that work enhances ones spirit rather than draining it). One way to help identify new areas of interest is to read widely in the field. Elisa Orlanski Ours, Corcoran Sunshine Marketing Group provided the following list of resources which offer a range of perspectives on the design community.

DESIGN CULTURE

Architects Newspaper archpaper.com
The Coolhunter thecoolhunter.net
Decorno decorno.blogspot.com
Dezain dezain.net/en/
Dezeen dezeen.com
Just Creative justcreativdesign.com
The Kitchen Designer www.thekitchendesigner.org
Luxury Culture luxuryculture.com
Trendir trendir.com
Yatzer yatzer.com

SUSTAINABILITY

Global Green globalgreen.org
ReGreenProgram regreenprogram.org
Greenopia greenopia.com

COMMUNITY

Creative Circle creativecircle.com
Archinect archinect.com/archmart/
Open Architecture Network openarchitecturenetwork.org
Bustler bustler.net
Arch Record archrecord.construction.com/practice/
Design Thinking Blog designthinking.ideo.com

WEB HOSTS

Blue Host bluehost.com
Host My Site hostmysite.com

AIA New York kicked off its Not Business as Usual lunchtime initiative on December 17, 2008, in an effort to unite the architecture and design community around these issues. As the location for these lunches, the Center for Architecture serves as a space for problem-solving, discussion, and action planning, as well as for coping with the realities of an economic downturn. The initiative continues in 2009 with two Wednesday sessions every month, each with a different focus. Email: Suzanne Mecs, smecs@aiany.org if you would like to receive information about upcoming events.

Posted 7/8/2009