



# DESIGN CONNECTIONS

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## Wednesday, February 12

<p>2:00 PM - 5:00 PM  <b>Charles H. Morris Center</b></p>	<p>Attendee &amp; Sponsor Badge Pickup</p>
<p>5:30 PM - 5:45 PM  <b>Charles H. Morris Center</b></p>	<p><b>Welcome:</b> <b>Steven Sloan</b>, Publisher + Brand Director, interiors+sources and <b>Robert Nieminen</b>, Editor-at-Large, interiors+sources</p>
<p>5:45 PM - 7:00 PM  <b>Charles H. Morris Center</b></p>	<p><b>Keynote: Community in Action: ManUp Barbershop Talk</b></p> <p><b>Introduction:</b> <b>Jane Rohde</b>, Principal, JSR Associates, Inc.</p> <p><b>Speaker:</b> <b>Troy Johnson</b>, Founder/Visionary, YM4C Enterprise</p> <p><b>Description:</b> Troy Johnson will share his story and the reasons for starting YM4C as part of community initiatives that support young men and their successful futures. ManUP Barbershop Talk sessions incorporate positive conversation and fellowship over a meal in a familiar environment for young men in the community. Troy will introduce you to an innovative way to embrace community, youth, and opportunity for future growth. Local law enforcement and community leaders join conversations that are meaningful for maturing young men. Some of the topics for these discussions include chivalry with the question: "Is it dead or just unlearned?", emotions with the question: "How do we deal with them and the effects if we don't?", love and relationships, "How do we build lasting and meaningful relationships?", and self-esteem, "What is the thin line between confidence &amp; arrogance". This program promotes cultural competency, deters gang affiliation, and bridges the gap in community relationships with law enforcement and supports development of skills for success.</p>
<p>7:00 PM - 9:00 PM  <b>Charles H. Morris Center Tent</b></p>	<p>Dinner</p>

# Thursday, February 13

7:00 AM - 7:45 AM <b>Pool Patio</b>	Yoga brought to you by Sunbrella
7:30 AM - 8:30 AM <b>Charles H. Morris Center</b>	Networking Breakfast
8:30 AM - 10:00 AM <b>Charles H. Morris Center</b>	<p><b>General Session: In-Between Spaces</b></p> <p><b>Introduction:</b> <b>Jane Rohde</b>, Principal, JSR Associates, Inc. and <b>Donald Strum</b>, Principal - Product Design, Michael Graves Architecture &amp; Design</p> <p><b>Speakers:</b> <b>Anya Sirota</b>, Principal, Akoaki; <b>Darin Piippo</b>, Market Specialist, Studio 431 at Landscape Forms; <b>Donald Strum</b>, Principal - Product Design, Michael Graves Architecture &amp; Design; <b>Jane Rohde</b>, Principal, JSR Associates, Inc.</p> <p><b>Presentation Description:</b> In working with in-between spaces there is an opportunity for the design professional to connect interior space to nature, the exterior to the landscape, and the user to the community. In-between spaces can connect the outside in and the inside out providing a framework for engagement, socialization, and respite. This presentation will provide examples and include an opportunity for students to engage with design professionals to create a design element, environment, layout, or other intervention that supports the utilization of an in-between space. There will be a presentation completed by Anya Sirota of Akoaki on their impactful design work within the Detroit landscape, Darin Piippo of Studio 431 at Landscape Forms whose projects extend across all verticals, a facilitated charrette with professionals, manufacturers, and students, followed by a wrap-up of the solutions developed during the charrette.</p>
10:00 AM - 10:10 AM	Transition to 1:1 Meeting Space
10:10 AM - 12:30 PM <b>Kehoe Metal Building</b>	1:1 Meetings (7 sessions)
12:30 PM - 1:30 PM <b>Charles H. Morris Center</b>	Networking Lunch
1:30 PM - 1:45 PM	Transition - Building Tour
1:45 PM - 2:45 PM <b>Charles H. Morris Center</b>	<p><b>General Session: Tour of The Kehoe Ironworks at the Trustees' Garden</b></p> <p><b>Guide:</b> <b>Kevin Rose</b>, AIA, NCARB, Director of Design, Lominack Kolman Smith Architects</p> <p><b>Presentation Description:</b> A 6.3 acre brownfield, vacant for over 28 years at the northeast corner of Savannah's National Historic Landmark District, the rehabilitation of the Kehoe Iron Works at Trustees' Garden represents the strong vision of a Savannah business leader, the culmination of four years of construction, and the efforts and talents of numerous contractors, architects, engineers, historians, and craftspeople. Now home to a multi-use event and conference complex, the Kehoe Iron Works project successfully restores a forgotten Savannah landmark and fills a void in the event and performing arts market for full service mid-size venues.</p>
2:45 PM - 3:00 PM	Transition
3:00 PM - 4:40 PM	Roundtables
4:40 PM - 7:15 PM	Break
7:15 PM - 9:15 PM <b>Charles H. Morris Center</b>	Networking Dinner and Night of Giving

# Friday, February 14

7:30 AM - 8:30 AM <b>Charles H. Morris Center</b>	Networking Breakfast
8:30 AM - 9:30 AM <b>Charles H. Morris Center</b>	<p><b>General Session: Community Health - Bringing Community Home</b></p> <p><b>Introduction:</b> Jane Rohde, Principal, JSR Associates, Inc.</p> <p><b>Speakers:</b> Necia Bonner, Senior Associate, Director of Healthcare Interiors, Kirksey Architecture; Joel Kalmin, Director - Facilities Planning, Legacy Community Health</p> <p><b>Description:</b> Designing from the basis of community – this is the direction for all healthcare of the future. A celebration of diversity, and access to services, Legacy Community Health brings people together, providing a strong basis for meeting difficult healthcare needs in addition to contributing to the redevelopment of the community at-large within Houston, Texas at their new center in the Fifth Ward. This presentation will include how Legacy Community Health provides services to underserved locations and care populations. The overall design was truly a community-based approach that can be transferable to all types of projects that need “silo removal”. And as an anchor in the community, Legacy has become a catalyst for further community development.</p>
9:30 AM - 9:45 AM	Break and Transition to Roundtable Meetings
9:45 AM - 12:00 PM	Roundtables
12:00 PM - 1:15 PM <b>Charles H. Morris Center</b>	Lunch
1:15 PM - 1:30 PM	Transition
1:30 PM - 2:30 PM <b>Charles H. Morris Center</b>	<p><b>General Session: Social Impact in Real Estate</b></p> <p><b>Introduction:</b> Jane Rohde, Principal, JSR Associates, Inc.</p> <p><b>Speakers:</b> Derric Scott, CEO, Jefferson East, Inc.</p> <p><b>Description:</b> Derric Scott will present the work he’s been doing in Detroit from a place based perspective celebrating the grassroots involvement of local community members coming together and rebuilding inclusive communities. Jefferson East, Inc. through it’s real estate subsidiary East Jefferson Development Corporation (EJDevCo) supported an entrepreneur creating a restaurant venue that brings neighbors together over a meal for the first time in 27 years at a full service restaurant in this neighborhood. This was only the beginning for the development company as their restaurant was a catalyst for major mixed-use inclusive neighborhood development along Detroit’s East Jefferson neighborhoods bordering the riverfront.</p>
2:30 PM - 2:45 PM	Break & Transition to Meeting Zone
2:45 PM - 5:05 PM	1:1 Meetings (7 sessions)

5:05 PM - 7:00 PM	Break
7:00 PM - 7:30 PM <b>Charles H. Morris Center</b>	Cocktail Reception
7:30 PM - 10:00 PM <b>Charles H. Morris Center</b>	Awards Dinner and After Celebration ( <b>The Brice-Greene &amp; Mercer</b> )
<b>Saturday, February 15</b>	
6:00 AM - 1:00 PM <b>The Brice Main Lobby</b>	Departures and transfers to airport