

## Hello Valued CSC Members!

In this [e-Specifier](#) you will hear from a select few members of the [Executive Committee](#), get a glimpse of our [upcoming events](#), register for the [February Dinner meeting](#), and find all the information you need on the [CSC Building Expo 2019!](#)

### Chapter Director's Message Steve Gusterson

*"Ask not what your country can do for you...."* For those of us that find ourselves occasionally enquiring about the senior's discount at the local restaurant these words are probably quite familiar. For those to whom a fax machine is akin to a stone tablet, try inputting "*John Kennedy*" *inaugural address* into your favourite search engine to see what that quote is all about.

Having served as a director, committee member or volunteer in some respect for several associations over my career, I never cease to be amazed and often disappointed when a member or potential member of said association unabashedly acclaims "why should I join or renew my membership?...what's in it for me?...what has the association/organization ever done for me?".

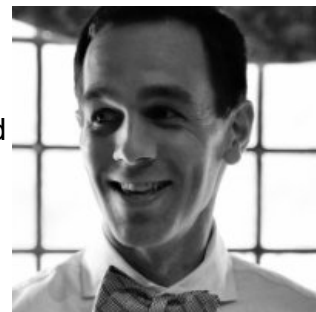


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### Chapter Chair's Message Iain Stuart

Pace of the industry.

One dark night a police officer saw an economist searching the ground for something near a light pole. The officer asked if he had lost something there. The economist replies, "I lost my keys over in the alley." The police officer asked the economist why he was looking near the light pole. The economist responded, "It's a lot easier to look over here."



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### Vice-Chair Michelle Wood

Happy New Year everyone!

I hope everyone had an amazing time with friends and family over the holidays or some relaxation and well-deserved rest.

As 2018 recently came to an end, it was very eventful; with both Provincial and municipal elections, the somewhat resolution of NAFTA/USMCA as it still needs to be ratified, Bank of Canada increasing mortgage rates, on top of the criteria for lending qualifications being significantly strengthened and major acquisitions of manufacturing companies.



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### **Program Committee Officer's Report Bruce Hudson & Russell Ibbotson**

Our next dinner meeting is February 5<sup>th</sup> and Nancy Smith will be joining us from LRI Engineers to speak about Accessibility in Buildings, Myths, Errors and Omissions. This talk promises to explain and clarify what should be specified to comply with accessibility code requirements. Nancy comes with 30 years of experience including key roles in the development of Ontario's accessibility standards.



The CSC Toronto Chapter was treated to an informative and well-organized plant tour by our hosts for 2018, the Toyota Motor Manufacturing Canada plant in Cambridge, Ontario. Participants were given a short presentation of their manufacturing processes and commitment to the community.

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### **Professional Development Officer Brittany Mazzocchi**

Happy New Year, everyone! I hope you all enjoyed your holidays. We're well into January at this point so hopefully you're all settled back in and ready for 2019!

What's going on right now?

- We've got a few in-class courses on the go that started January 7<sup>th</sup>: Construction Contract Administration, Technical Representative and Specifier. There are also Principles of Construction Documentation and Technical Representative online courses that started on January 7<sup>th</sup>. Looks like many people have big goals for 2019 - great work and good luck!
- I received some interest in my call for volunteers for the One Day Seminar - thank you to those who offered to help! We are working on finding a topic that



caters to as many members of CSC as possible. We have also decided that the One Day Seminar will now be a half-day. Check back in the next newsletter for its new name.

- Watch out for some students at the February dinner meeting! Please make them feel welcome and introduce yourselves when you have a chance! We will get a photo of them for the next E-specifier.

Thanks for reading and as always, if you've got any questions, CSC related or otherwise, feel free to get in touch!

### **Interior Design Officer's Message Meghan McBride**

Armstrong recently hosted an A&D CEU event with our distributor partners D9. I was pleased to see that it was well attended but even more pleased to have participated in several very interesting discussions. One of which was how do we as an industry stay relevant when our clients have access to the same information that we do?



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### **Contractor and Trade Officer's Message Bob Hartogsveld**

A recent discussion with Ian Miller, President of the Ontario Building Envelope Council (OBEC), indicated his interest in entering into a Memorandum of Understanding between the CSC Toronto Chapter and OBEC. The organizations will move forward in preparing an agreement.

I will continue to explore opportunities to work with other like-minded trade and industry associations.



### **CSC Building Expo Chair's Message Bob Hartogsveld**

The 2019 Edition of the CSC Building Expo is scheduled for Wednesday, February 27<sup>th</sup> at the Metro Convention Centre's South Building.

Planning for the 2019 edition is well underway to ensure this year's event is as successful as previous years.

Our luncheon keynote address; *Construction in Today's Connected World* will be provided by Dr. Rick Huijbregts, Vice-President, Strategy & Innovation at George Brown College.

We have three seminars scheduled that explore Construction law, the Building Envelope and the WELL Standard where attendees can obtain CEUs.

Registration is open and filling quickly.

To Register for this year's Building Expo, please visit [cscbuildingexpo.ca](http://cscbuildingexpo.ca)



## IMPORTANT DATES

**February 5th, 2019**

Dinner Meeting

Register [HERE](#)

More details below!

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**FEBRUARY 5<sup>TH</sup>, 2019**

Toronto Cricket, Skating and Curling Club

**Speaker:** Nancy Smith, OAA

Nancy Smith is an Associate and Accessibility Consultant at LRI Engineering Inc. A licenced architect with a long-standing passion for accessibility, she has over 30 years of experience in the architectural, regulatory, and construction sectors. Prior to joining LRI, Nancy was the Code Development Coordinator and Accessibility and Built Form Specialist with Ontario's Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing. In that role, she was the Technical Advisor to the AODA Accessible Built Environment Standards Development Committee and led the development of updated accessibility changes to Ontario's Building Code in 2015. An industry expert, Nancy provides important insight into policy development and creative solutions to complex accessibility challenges.

## **Topic: Accessibility in Buildings: Myths, Errors and Omissions**

### Myths:

- There is a lot of confusion around what the Building Code covers, what the AODA covers and how other guidelines and standards (e.g. City of Toronto Accessibility Guidelines) fit into the mix
- Building Retrofits and Planning for the Future - There is also a lot of confusion around the target date of 'making Ontario accessible by 2025' and what that actually means

### Errors and Omissions:

We get a lot of questions around:

- Misunderstood Code terminology
- Barrier-free entrances and paths of travel
  - Equitable access
  - Obstructions
- Ramps and Stairs
  - Guidance elements
- Barrier-free washrooms and universal washrooms
  - Different types of washrooms – Public use versus private use, multi-stall, universal washrooms and single user washrooms.
  - Design issues that need to be addressed so the washrooms function adequately for people with disabilities and their caregivers
- Doors, doorways and power door operators
  - Clear width and how it's measured
  - Latch side clearances
  - Design and placement of power door operator controls and where they are needed.
- Tactile indicators
  - What they are
  - Where they are needed
  - How they function
- Service Counters (regulated under the AODA Design of Public Spaces Standard (DOPS))
  - Types of service counters that are regulated
  - Various design standards that apply

**REGISTRATION FOR THE CSC BUILDING EXPO IS OPEN AND FILLING FAST**  
**[Check out all the details here](#)**



THIS YEAR'S THEME:  
**Construction,  
Connectivity,  
& Wellness**

The CSC Building Expo is Canada's best, longest running technical trade show for architects, designers, developers, engineers, facility managers, specification writers, and construction professionals.

**February 27, 2019**

11:00am - 6:00pm  
Metro Toronto Convention Centre  
South Building, Level 800, Hall G  
222 Bremner Boulevard,  
Toronto, Ontario M5V 3L9

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## Luncheon



11:00AM

**Construction in Today's  
Connected World**

**Dr. Rick Huijbregts**  
Vice-President, Strategy & Innovation  
George Brown College

**PURCHASE YOUR TICKETS**

Purchase luncheon tickets at [cscbuildingexpo.ca](http://cscbuildingexpo.ca)

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FREE  
ADMISSION

## Tradeshow and Lecture Series\*

Doors open at 1:15 PM



1:30PM

**Construction Law**  
**Charles W. Skipper**

Partner

Fogler, Rubloff, LLP



3:00PM

**The Building Envelope  
as a System - A  
Balanced Approach**

**Jamie McKay**

Commissioning Engineer

**Mark Lucuik**

Director of Sustainability

Morrison Hershfield



4:30PM

**The WELL Standard**  
**Sandra Dedesko**

WELL Air and Thermal  
Comfort Advisor

WELL Faculty

RWDI Consulting Engineers  
and Scientists

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