

Name: Jennifer Huestis

2nd Term Nominee

1. Why are you interested in potentially serving in this leadership role on the Board of Directors? I have really enjoyed serving on the board the past 2 1/2 years and would be grateful to be able to continue in this capacity. I have learned so much about the institution and the governing process of AIACT. I have also learned so much from and have enjoyed serving with the other board members. I have also enjoyed getting involved in the various knowledge communities.
2. What kind of prior experience, if any, do you have serving on a Board of other organizations? I am currently serving in a 3 year term on the AIACT Board of Directors. I am currently serving on the Architectural Review Board for the town of Woodbridge. In the past I served on various boards for the United Church of Christ in Woodbridge.
3. How many years have you been a member of AIA Connecticut? 20 plus years
4. Have you actively participated in any AIA Connecticut committees? If so, please provide a description of this involvement.  
I have been involved with the WIA group; specifically as participant in the 2021 seminar, and as a moderator in the 4x10 mentoring program. I am also an active participant in the Business of Practice and JEDI knowledge communities.
5. What are your leadership strengths?  
I'm a good listener, and am good at synthesizing information. I am very organized and detail oriented.
6. What are your passions/interests?  
I'm very interested in how the design of the built environment and landscape can help mitigate some of the negative effects of climate change. Currently I'm working on the design and plantings in my own garden to eliminate the use of fertilizers and pesticides and pollinators.

Members of the Board of Directors have a legal and ethical responsibility to ensure that the organization does the best work possible in pursuit of its goals; believe in the purpose and the mission of the organization; and act responsibly and prudently as its steward.

7. Can you meet all of the following expectations of Board membership? **Yes**
  1. Understand the time commitment of a 1-year term.
  2. Attend regular and special meetings of the Board.
  3. Serve on one of the committees of AIA Connecticut.
  4. Represent the Board to outside organizations.
  5. Actively attend events and programs of AIA Connecticut- the AIA CT Conference/Annual Meeting & one other major event are required.
  6. Act as a resource for the Executive Director and the Executive Committee.
  7. Consider the potential leadership role as an Officer of the Board's Executive Committee.
  8. Help to sustain the overall mission and purpose of AIA Connecticut.