

# BOWMAN DESIGN FORUM

## *Design Discussions in the Flint Hills*

*Wednesday, December 11, 2019*

*1:30 p.m.—Regnier Forum, Presentation by Students*

*4:30 p.m.—Regnier Forum, Presentation by our Guests*



REESE ROWLAND

FAIA  
Principal  
Polk Stanley Wilcox Architects, Little Rock, AR

Reese's dedication to crafting meaningful spaces through innovative, sustainable architecture has been rewarded with over 60 National, Regional and State Design Awards in the last 15 years, including four from the National AIA. His Heifer International World Headquarters design received the Nation's highest honor for architecture, the 2008 AIA National Institute Honor Award.

Arkansas Business named Reese to its prestigious list of "25 Entrepreneurs & Innovators of the last 25 years", crediting his work with helping to transform the image of downtown Little Rock through modern architecture. His work has been published in 25 national and international periodicals as well as 11 books. Reese was inducted AIA College of Fellows in 2014 in the category of Design, and into the Arkansas Construction Hall of Fame in 2018.

He has designed some of Little Rock's most recognized buildings, including Acxiom's River Market Tower Headquarters, two headquarters buildings for Bank OZK, Heifer's Education Center and the nearly complete U.S. Marshal's Museum in Fort Smith, Arkansas. Most importantly, his reputation among clients is that of a strong collaborator and a partner in distilling their vision into physical, yet personal narratives. He continues to develop his design philosophy of allowing natural light to enliven space and spirit, while reducing our dependence on generated energy.



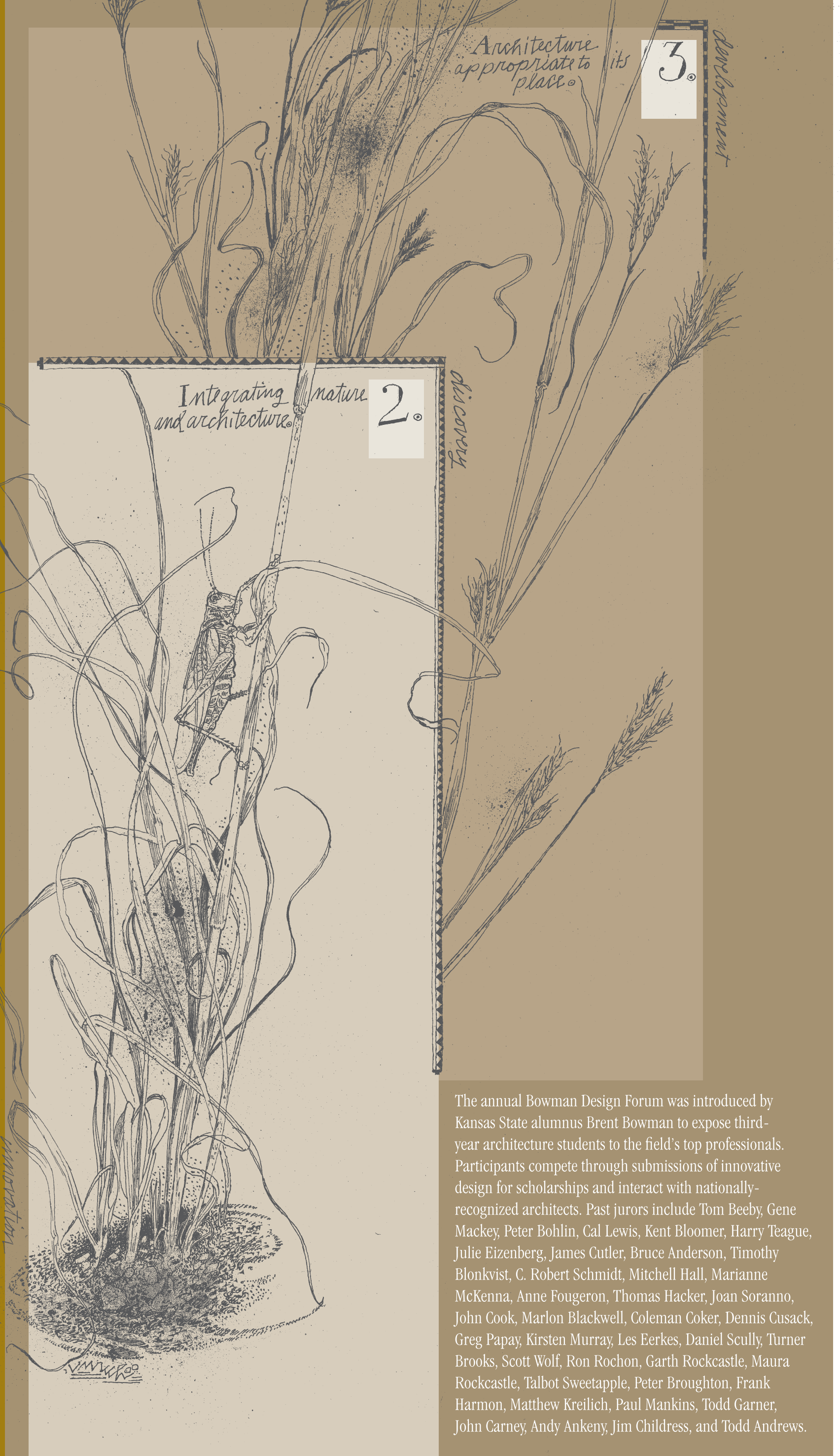
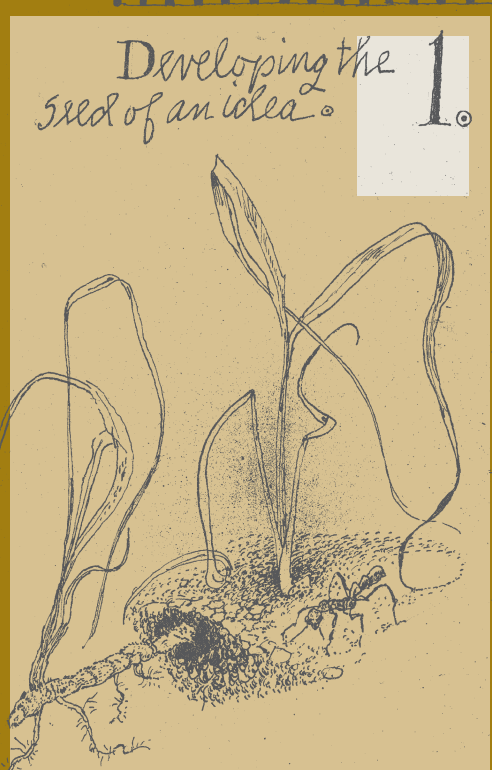
PATTY OPITZ

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A graduate from the University of Arkansas in Fayetteville, Patty Opitz is a licensed Associate Principal and architect at Polk Stanley Wilcox Architects responsible for project production and coordination in all phases of a project. With over 14 years of combined experience in residential and commercial construction for various facility types, Patty provides diverse knowledge of project management and architectural planning.

Patty currently sits on the AIA Arkansas Chapter Board as a Director and will enter into the Executive Board in 2020. She was an integral part in founding and developing the state's first Diversity and Women in Architecture Committees to help support women and diversity in Architecture throughout all career stages. She also serves as President of the Architecture and Design Network, a volunteer organization that brings people together with a shared interest in the built environment, by offering free public lectures and programs with regionally and nationally recognized speakers.

Past and current key project experience includes; the Bank of the Ozarks Headquarters and Master Plan, University of Central Arkansas Donaghey Hall, Mosaic Church of Central Arkansas, and numerous private residences across the state of Arkansas.



The annual Bowman Design Forum was introduced by Kansas State alumnus Brent Bowman to expose third-year architecture students to the field's top professionals. Participants compete through submissions of innovative design for scholarships and interact with nationally-recognized architects. Past jurors include Tom Beeby, Gene Mackey, Peter Bohlin, Cal Lewis, Kent Bloomer, Harry Teague, Julie Eizenberg, James Cutler, Bruce Anderson, Timothy Blonkvist, C. Robert Schmidt, Mitchell Hall, Marianne McKenna, Anne Fougeron, Thomas Hacker, Joan Soranno, John Cook, Marlon Blackwell, Coleman Coker, Dennis Cusack, Greg Papay, Kirsten Murray, Les Eerkes, Daniel Scully, Turner Brooks, Scott Wolf, Ron Rochon, Garth Rockcastle, Maura Rockcastle, Talbot Sweetapple, Peter Broughton, Frank Harmon, Matthew Kreilich, Paul Mankins, Todd Garner, John Carney, Andy Ankeny, Jim Childress, and Todd Andrews.



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