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Upcoming YP Events

ACEC-MB Mentorship Program

Registration Open for the 2017/2018 Mentorship Program!

The ACEC-MB Mentorship program pairs University of Manitoba Engineering students with Industry professionals, giving students the opportunity to better understand the consulting engineering industry. It is a great opportunity to give back, gain volunteer (or continuing development) hours, and have an impact on a future engineer's career.

Mentor recruitment is underway for the upcoming year and we invite you to visit the ACEC-MB [website](#) for more information or to access the mentor application [form](#). The program is open to any employee of an ACEC member firm, regardless of background or discipline. All mentor applications must be received by October 4, 2017. For additional information please contact us at mentorship@acec-mb.ca.

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ACEC-MB YP Gala Dinner - SAVE THE DATE

What: 9th Annual Young Professional Gala

When: Thursday October 12, 2017

Where: Fort Gibraltar - 866 Rue Saint Joseph

Those attending this event are eligible for 3 APEGM PDH credits – Informal Activity.

The Annual ACEC-MB Young Professionals Gala will be held on Thursday, October 12, 2017. This year's Gala will be held at Fort Gibraltar. Don't miss this great opportunity to build your professional network, and celebrate with other industry professionals!

Sponsorship Opportunities

The success of the Young Professional Gala would not be possible without the support and sponsorship of industry. Sponsors will be represented in promotional materials and communications, illustrating active support of the development of the industry's future leaders. Various levels of sponsorship exist to suit your needs. Please visit the acec-mb.ca for more information on the opportunities available or email the YP committee at yp@acec-mb.ca.

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ACEC-MB National Leadership Conference



Save the Date for 2017!

The 2017 ACEC national leadership conference will take place October 22-24 in Ottawa. Save the date today and stay tuned to Source newsletter in the New Year for all the conference program details.

2016 ACEC national leadership conference – a resounding success

Over a hundred leaders and emerging leaders from the consulting engineering sector, along with major clients and stakeholders, gathered in Ottawa from October 23-25 to learn of the latest industry trends, challenges and opportunities, and to network with peers and national decision makers.

Driving business / shaping policy

The business program, tailored to the task of driving business for future success, featured trend forecasts

from business experts, discussions on industry challenges and opportunities with major clients and industry leaders, as well as a pre-recorded interview with the Honourable Amarjeet Sohi, Minister of Infrastructure.

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Message from the Chair

Greetings from the ACEC-MB Young Professionals Committee (YPC). After four years with the YPC in various roles I can say that it is my honour to assume the role of Chair for the 2017-18 year. I would like to thank the outgoing Chair Mike MacKay and the rest of the committee members for their support. The YPC is currently made up of Mike MacKay (Past Chair), Ashley Morrissey (Vice-Chair), Vanessa Krahn, Kelsey Rutherford, Sohaib Azam, Kate O'Neill, Carol Nabanonba, Mehrnaz Sadrnourmohamadi, and Samantha Symons.

During my time with the YPC I have seen the establishment of several cornerstone initiatives to

provide young professionals (YPs) with opportunities to learn about the consulting industry, networks, and enhance their career opportunities. The first is our flagship event; the annual Young Professionals Gala. Through the Gala we have been able to bring together over 100 young professionals annually to discuss the role YPs have in consulting and where their careers can take them.

Another key initiative of the YPC is our mentorship program which is run with the assistance of the University of Manitoba. The mentorship program is now entering its fifth year and has shown great success. The program pairs mentors in the consulting industry with engineering students to provide insight and education on how the consulting industry works. Many YPs within ACEC-MB have volunteered to be mentors proving that while they may be young they have a wealth of knowledge and experience to pass on to future generations early in their career.

As the YPC continues to grow and evolve I look forward to the opportunity to create new avenues for YPs to contribute to the consulting engineering industry and to advocate on their behalf. Some of our key goals for the upcoming year include the organization of more educational opportunities for YPs and to help provide a framework for YPs to connect with senior leaders at their respective companies.

It is clear to me that YPs play a critical role within their companies and they should be proud of the work that they do. I look forward to my time as Chair of the YPC and the opportunity to provide direction to this outstanding group of people.

Tyson Ehnes,
Chairperson – ACEC-MB Young Professionals
Committee



Spotlight on YP Committee

Samantha Symons, Engineer in Training

Role: Incoming Communications Coordinator

Employed by: AECOM as a Water/Wastewater EIT

Studied at: University of Manitoba

And left with a degree in: Biosystems Engineering,
with an Environmental Specialization

Years in Consulting: Two

Why I love my job: The best part about my job is working with an amazing team on challenging and exciting projects. I love that each day is different and that I learn something new every day.

What I do in my free time: I love spending time with friends and family. In the summer, I try to get out to the cabin as much as possible, and I spend my winters playing and coaching hockey.

Song that best describes my life: One song that comes to mind is Homegrown by Zac Brown Band because I have everything I need – and I live in a small town!

Mac, Windows or Linux? Windows

What is the strangest thing you believed as a child? My cousin convinced my brother and I that the thin pieces of red cabbage in the bags of iceberg lettuce were worms... I still don't eat them.



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Other Events

ACEC-MB TWICE Paint Night

When: September 28, 2017

Networking, Wine & Snacks: 6:30 pm

Painting: 7:00 to 9:00 pm

Cost: \$40 per person

Where: Stantec Consulting - 500-311 Portage Avenue

Join the ACEC-MB TWICE Committee for an exciting event geared towards networking, fun and self-care! The evening will be centered around a paint night hosted by Kisa MacIsaac, owner of the Power of Painting. Kisa MacIsaac, is a Winnipeg mother of 3, self-taught artist, and lover of nature! She specializes in paint workshops and self-care through art.

The evening will begin with networking accompanied by wine and light snacks, which are included in your ticket price. You will then be led step by step through the painting choice of the night, "Through the Birch Trees", with plenty of suggestions to make your painting unique and personalized. This event is for all levels of experience with painting - even if you have never painted before, you will do wonderfully, have fun, and create a unique piece of art! Creative acts, such as painting, can be an excellent self-care tool - a remedy for stress and anxiety, and can help with problem solving, relaxation, and fun!

To register please email Kerri Hiebert at ed@acec-mb.ca

This event is open to all and guests are welcome! Register now to save your spot! Registration closes on Sept. 25. Space limited to 30 people.

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Wednesday, September 06, 2017

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For additional information on ACEC Manitoba and the ACEC Manitoba YPC, please visit our website at www.acec-mb.ca

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