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## LIGHTFAIR ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS FOR SECOND ANNUAL MENTORSHIP PROGRAM

**Applications for mentors and mentees; Deadline to apply is February 14**

**LAS VEGAS – February 1, 2022** – Following the success of its inaugural mentorship program in 2021, LightFair has opened applications for mentors and mentees for the 2022 edition, with a submission deadline of February 14. The LightFair mentorship program, which aims to facilitate and foster meaningful, personalized professional connections, will host an in-person networking event to be held at this year’s LightFair, June 19 – 23 at the Las Vegas Convention Center.

“Education is a hallmark of the LightFair experience, and there’s no better way for fresh faces in lighting to learn more about the industry than one-to-one guidance from veteran lighting professionals,” said Dan Darby, show director. “The opportunity to extend educational and networking practices beyond the LightFair Conference will directly benefit the lighting community for years to come.”

Professionals interested in becoming a mentor must have six or more years of lighting industry experience and be willing to commit a minimum of one to two hours per month for mentor/mentee interaction plus monthly reporting and quick progress surveys. Mentors will receive unlimited admission to LightFair’s 60-90 minute Conference courses June 21 – 23, 3-day Trade Show access, complimentary one-night hotel accommodation in Las Vegas and mention in relevant LightFair promotions. Interested mentor applicants can apply at <https://share.hsforms.com/1JFpLE6kQQ7CoSrp6k0bkHA2966b>.

To be a LightFair mentee, individuals must have one to three years of lighting industry experience and a willingness to expand industry knowledge. Mentees must spend a minimum of one to two hours per month for mentor/mentee interaction and completion of progress surveys. Selected Accepted mentees will receive admission to one 60-90 minute LightFair Conference session, 3-day Trade Show access and an invitation to an exclusive on-site networking event at LightFair. Interested mentee applicants can apply at <https://share.hsforms.com/1ZOYIRYd7Tmm-Ls8i4pObZg2966b>.

There is no fee to apply or participate in the 2022 LightFair Mentorship Program. Between 12 and 15 mentor and mentee applicants will be selected and matched based on areas of specialization and levels of interest and experience. Select mentors and mentees will discuss their partnership journey and learnings at LightFair in a mentorship panel at LightFair 2022.

2021 Mentors were selected from the International Association of Lighting Designers (IALD), Illuminating Engineering Society (IES) and leading design firms: **Lee Brandt**, principal, HLB Lighting Design; **Jessica Krometis**, senior designer, Hartranft Lighting Design; **Mark Loeffler**, principal, Mark Loeffler Design

Consulting, LLC; **Caitlin Mulligan**, specification sales manager of business development & key accounts, SCI Lighting Solutions; **Peter Ngai**, Independent Lighting Consultant; **Sean O'Connor**, SEAN O'CONNOR LIGHTING, INC; **Giulio Pedota**, partner, Schuler Shook Theatre Planners / Lighting Designers; **Kathy Pryzgoda**, founding principal, Light Studio LA; **Lisa Reed**, founding principal, Envision Lighting Design; **Daniel Salinas**, president | lighting design systems designer, Salinas Lighting Consult; and **Chrysanthi Stockwell**, associate vice president, senior lighting designer and engineering market leader HGA.

2021 Mentees were: **Daphne Agosin**, MFA candidate for Lighting Design at Northwestern University; **Tyler Dellea**, assistant engineer at CHA; **Mark Ekberg**, project designer at Aurora; **Elizabeth Kline**, lighting designer at Shop12 Design; **Justin Kobayashi**, electrical engineer at Clark Nexen; **Elaine Liang**, lighting designer at WATT Lighting; **Grace Mennell**, lighting designer at the Metropolitan Museum of Art; **LeeAnne Osborn**, designer and deputy director of strategy at UNOLAI Lighting Design & Associates; **Nathalie Quadrio**, lighting designer trainee at Licht Kunst Licht; **Ryan Seffinger**, junior designer at Electrolight; and **Nishat Tasnim**, lighting designer at STANTEC.

For more information about LightFair's Mentorship Program, visit [www.lightfair.com/mentorship](http://www.lightfair.com/mentorship).

LightFair 2022 will showcase the newest and brightest innovations in lighting June 19 – 23, 2022, in the Las Vegas Convention Center's new state-of-the-art West Hall. The 2022 edition will follow LightFair's "Safer Floor. Safer Show." protocols. Information about the LightFair Trade Show and Conference will be updated regularly at [www.lightfair.com](http://www.lightfair.com).

### **About LightFair**

LightFair, the world's largest annual architectural and commercial lighting trade show and conference, is owned by the International Association of Lighting Designers (IALD) and the Illuminating Engineering Society (IES). The event is produced and managed by International Market Centers. For more information, visit [LightFair.com](http://LightFair.com). Follow LightFair on Facebook, Twitter @lightfair, Instagram @lightfair\_international, LinkedIn and YouTube.

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