# Convention

### **AIA Convention 2001's Design Marketplace in the Mile-High City**

The expo floor offers new products, continuing ed, and a whale of a good opening night party

Introduce yourself to an extraordinary display of all things new in the world of products and technologies design at the AIA 2001 National Convention and Expo in Denver, May 17–19.

An integral part of the AIA's national convention, AIA Expo2001 will feature more than 120,000 square feet of products, technologies, and services from 600 innovative companies.

You can also earn LU hours while you're there— AIA/CES Registered Providers will present brief programs at their booths, for which you can earn continuing education credit.

And don't miss the AIA Expo2001 Opening Night Party, beginning at 4:30 p.m. on Thursday, May 17. Leave your coat and tie behind and head to the Old West-style party featuring regional food, music, and other lively entertainment. It's the perfect opportunity to mix business with pleasure—find marketplace solutions for your workplace challenges while wining and dining in the Mile-High City.

#### **Pavilions**

This year, AIA Expo2001 will feature six product pavilions, including the debut of the

Green Products Pavilion, sponsored by *Environmental Design & Construction* magazine, to promote the concept of sustainable design and energy-efficient products and services. The Green Products Pavilion will be joined by perennial favorites:

- High-Tech Pavilion, displaying the latest designing, drafting, engineering, and construction management software
- Stone and Tile Pavilion, sponsored by Stone World and Contemporary Stone & Tile Design magazines, will feature

- pavers, cultured river rock, granite, and decorative and industrial tiles
- Lighting Pavilion, where you'll find wall sconces, chandeliers, task lighting, path lights, and security lighting
- Fabric Architecture Pavilion, sponsored by Fabric Architecture magazine, featuring innovative balustrade systems, tensile fabrics, and cable mesh
- Restoration Products Pavilion, the place for everything from column capitals to historic windows.

#### **Member Services Center**

Visit the AIA Member Services Center on the expo floor to learn about the new MyAIA Internet portal, where you can access your customized view of the latest AIA information resources. Also, learn about the AIA's 22 Professional Interest Areas (PIA) continuing education opportunities, and information-sharing and networking activities. And, while you're there, take the time to join the folks from AIA Trust and pose with your favorite "Top 10" building—and memorialize the moment on a souvenir button.

For more convention information or to register online, visit *www.aia convention2001.com*. If you have questions, call the AIA Convention Hotline, (202) 626-7395.

## **New Products Debut at Expo**

The New Product & Technology Center on the expo floor, sponsored by *Building Design & Construction* magazine, will introduce you to many of the year's brightest new products. Here's a sampling:

- SketchUp, @Last Software Inc., a 3D software program that lets you draw the way you think
- i Ceilings, Armstrong World Industries, invisibly integrate speakers and antennas into standard ceiling panels
- Distressed Surface Old-Growth New England Red Pine, Carlisle Restoration Lumber, recreates the look of a traditional foot-warn floor
- Formawall Dimension Series, Centria Architectural Systems, includes integrated louvers, textured and embossed stainless-steel patterns, and the Duracasta® finish system with acrylic and silica bases
- Boardwalk™ Composite Decking and Railing, CertainTeed Corp., made of EcoTech™
  PVC-Wood composite material, carries a Class-A fire rating and offers consistent quality
  and appearance
- Iris Remodeler, Cooper Lighting, a 4 1/2-inch, recessed fixture is available in modular, interchangeable designs
- Bigfoot Systems® Footing Forms, F&S Manufacturing, the only engineered footing form for construction tubes that meets or exceeds the building codes throughout North America
- Inswing French Casement, Kolbe & Kolbe Millwork Co., designed to resemble a timeless European Classic
- 7250 U-Wall Unitized Curtainwall, Wausau Window and Wall Systems, provides numerous design options, including more pronounced sight lines, operating vents, and aluminum panels.