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PRESS ALERT

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Call for Volunteers
DesCours Seeks Volunteers

New Orleans, La. (December 2-11, 2011) DesCours, New Orleans' free architecture and art event presented by AIA New Orleans, is currently seeking volunteers to support the fifth annual presentation. Volunteers will have the opportunity to work with internationally renowned architects and artists to support them in the creation of innovative installations located in "hidden" spaces throughout Downtown New Orleans and the French Quarter, as well as act as nightly Docents for each installation site. Volunteers are needed to help with: setup/installation, nightly Docents, and break down/de-installation.

AIA New Orleans will host a Volunteer Orientation on Wednesday, November 30, at 6:00pm, providing attendees with beverages and light snacks. Interested volunteers should have a "can-do" attitude, and a willingness to interact with the public. They are encouraged to ask questions and learn about the installations to better-serve DesCours attendees. An interest in history, architecture and art is helpful but not necessary.

DesCours is presented in partnership with: aos, Astor Crowne Plaza Hotel New Orleans, The Azby Fund, The City of New Orleans, Downtown Development District (DDD), Harrah's Casino, Jones & Walker, Letterman's Blueprint and Copy, Louisiana Architectural Foundation, The Lupin Foundation, Tito's Handmade Vodka, The Vinyl Institute, and Walton, a Core Company.

To learn more about DesCours Volunteer opportunities contact Michelle Martin, Volunteer Coordinator, at martin@aianeworleans.org or 504.525.8320.

About AIA New Orleans:
Founded in 1911, AIA New Orleans is a non-profit whose mission is to represent, educate and serve the architecture profession and entire community as concerns the built environment. AIA New Orleans is a component of the American Institute of Architects (AIA), which serves over 80,000 professional architects. Serving over 500 local professional architects and associate members, the chapter hosts more than 75 events annually for its members and the public. Most recently, AIA New Orleans opened the 'AIA New Orleans Center for Design' which serves its members and the public by offering architecture and design education opportunities in the forms of lectures, a study center, special events, and more. AIA New Orleans Center for Design is the only dedicated architecture and design exhibition space in the state of Louisiana.