

building vision

01.16.2020 Practicing Architect Chris Downey speaks on how losing his sight changed his vision for the built environment.

Dear Potential Sponsor,

In conjunction with FAMU School of Architecture and FSU College of Fine Arts, AIA Tallahassee will be hosting Mr. Chris Downey as the inaugural speaker in our Masters Lecture Series.

Practicing architect, Chris Downey, has a phenomenal story; when faced with a personal tragedy rather than giving up on himself and his work he chose to reinvent how architecture is done and experienced. He speaks on how designers can innovate with the disabled in mind, but also makes a strong case that designing for and with the disabled improves everyone's experience. Chris teaches accessibility and Universal Design at the University of California, Berkeley, serves on the Board of Directors for the LightHouse for the Blind & Visually Impaired and was appointed to the California Commission on Disability Access. Downey has served as the keynote speaker for the AIA Florida state convention in 2016. He's also been featured on the TED stage in 2013 and the hit TV news program 60 Minutes twice this year.

This event will be free to the public. We are currently accepting sponsorships for this event and would be grateful for your participation.

Sincerely, The Master's Lecture Series Committee



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