COVID-19:
PSC CSI is committed to the safety of our members. As a result, in-person meetings will be rescheduled for a later date and/or will be moved to an online format. Please view Upcoming Events below for more information about each event change. We hope you’re all staying healthy and safe.

Online Event Spotlight

Web-Hosted Chapter Meeting and Seminar!
Electronic Leak Detection:
Testing, Standards, Science, and Practical Applications

THURSDAY, MAY 14, 2020
5:00 PM - 6:00 PM
WEB-HOSTED SEMINAR
AIA Webinar | 1.5 LU/HSW

The first portion of this course will cover Electronic Leak Detection (ELD) testing methods used for quality assurance. Participants will be able to understand the principles outlined in the ASTM Standard Guide D7877 and ASTM Standard Practice D8231.

Participants will also be able to identify which roofing and waterproofing assemblies can be quality control tested using advanced electronic leak detection methods instead of flood testing. ELD will be discussed as part of new construction commissioning as well as preventative maintenance for the life of the roof.

The second portion of the course will consist of a review of conductive mediums for roofing and waterproofing.
Participants will be informed of conductive medium options and proper placement within the assembly. The final portion of this course will cover design and construction failures commonly identified by ELD testing and embedded fully monitored leak detection systems. These potential issues can be prevented with slight design and scheduling changes if identified.

AGENDA:
- 5:00 - 5:10: Chapter announcements (Melissa Falcetti)
- 5:10 - 5:55: Presentation (Shaun Katz)
- 5:55 - 6:15: Questions and Answers (Shaun Katz)

Shaun Katz has over 20 years experience in customer service, sales and business administration. He's assisted contractors, architects, consultants, manufacturers, facility managers and building owners with forensic leak investigation and new design. His goal is to provide a basic understanding of Electronic Leak Detection (ELD).

Shaun Katz, Sales Manager, Detec Systems

Upcoming Events

POSTPONED - Date TBD
Kick Some Axel!
Networking Event

POSTPONED - Date TBD
CDT Prep Class 3 of 3

RESCHEDULED
September 28, 2020
ProSpec

POSTPONED - Date TBD
Puget Sound CSI
Awards Ceremony
More Info Coming Soon!
2019-2020 Season Calendar

Our 2019-2020 season calendar is now available as a printable graphic. Download it here and don't miss an event!

Take me to the PSC CSI Website for more information.

Sponsorship Opportunities

Sponsorship packages are available for all our events. Please click on registration links for events above for sponsorship information.

Nominate A Craftsperson

The PSC CSI plans to award the Chapter Craftsmanship Award this year. It’s awarded to a firm or individual in recognition of their superior craftsmanship in the construction industry within our Chapter’s geographic area. This season, we’re awarding this honor based on our members’ recommendations.

Vote for your favorite craftsperson here!
Voting closes July 15th

Apply For A Specifications Award

The John D. Finnigan Award is one of the most prestigious awards our chapter can offer. It’s the gem of the PSC CSI and is awarded to a Professional (practitioner) member for attaining outstanding stature as a practicing specification writer. This season, we will award one member at our Fall Awards Ceremony.

Please submit a project manual to office@psccsi.org by Wednesday, July 15th to apply! Sensitive and confidential information may be struck from the manual.

Apply For A Fellowship

Fellowship is one of the highest recognitions available through CSI. Are you interested in applying to join the Fellows of the Institute? Prepare your submission package today! Learn more here: https://www.csiresources.org/institute/honorsandawards/awards.

Your submission deadline is May 28th by 11:59 EST.

Help Honor Our Retirees

Do you know of a CSI friend or colleague who’s retiring this season? Help us recognize and honor them at our Fall Awards Ceremony!
President's Message

by Melissa Falcetti, PSC CSI President

By now, most of us have settled into our stay-at-home routines – morning coffee or chai, lunchtime yoga via Zoom, workday-long pet cuddling, and video happy hours seem to be the popular choices. Consider adding more CSI to that routine! CSI National is working to add as many online resources as possible but in the meantime, much is already available. I’ve included a list of several of the greats below. Refer to the Online Event Spotlight and CSI and Affiliate Webinar Events in this newsletter for additional options.

Additionally, as you might expect, we have quite a bit of CSI news ranging from our local events to changes to CDT exams. See below for details!

- **Looking for CEUs or to Gain Knowledge?**: CSI National has been growing a Learning Library. Log in to watch:
  - **Classes**:
    - CSI Master Class: Technology of Paints and Coatings made possible with generous support by PPG
  - **Webinars**:
    - Understanding Light Management When Specifying Window Fabric and Shade Systems for Occupant Wellness and LEED Credits
  - See links below for additional CSI webinars.
  - **Practice Communities**:
    - Starting a Dialog about Specifications
    - Specs for All Seasons: Adapting your Construction Specifications to “Foreign” Front-Ends and for Alternative Project Delivery

- **Information Junkie and Want More?**: Check out the following resources:
  - CSIConstruction YouTube Channel by CSI Institute
  - Young Architect YouTube Channel and website Young Architect by Michael Riscica
  - Let’s Fix Construction, cofounded by Eric D. Lussier and Cherise Lakeside
  - Portland Chapter CSI Twitter
  - Follow The Specifier on Twitter or deep dive into the archives

- **If you’re up for renewal**: CSI Institute will offer deferment of chapter renewal fees for 90 days for those who are in a hardship situation. Our chapter has elected to participate in this program as well. If this situation is applicable to you, please reach out to CSI Institute for the Member Support Program membership dues deferment application.

- **CDT Exams**: Are you envious your kids are able to take their classes and exams online? (No? Let’s pretend!) Though many of Prometric’s testing facilities are planning to reopen in mid-May, you now have the choice to take your exam online instead! Watch this page for details and updates. Additionally, the early bird registration window has been extended through July 17th, and the exam dates have been widened to open May 4th and close July 31st.

- **Awards Ceremony**: Our 2019-2020 Awards Ceremony will be postponed until the Fall in hope that we can all celebrate in person together.

- **PSC CSI Events**: All chapter events will be held online through the rest of the season (until June).

We hope that you take full advantage of these and upcoming resources, and that you’re all
Help Support CSI's Mission

In 2007, the Puget Sound Chapter CSI established the Puget Sound CSI Memorial Foundation, a separate organization providing scholarships, fellowships, and grants to promote educational programs serving the construction industry and related endeavors which support the interests and objectives of the Puget Sound Chapter. The Foundation is administered by a board of volunteers, composed of willing past presidents of the Puget Sound Chapter. Any individual or organization can contribute tax deductible donations to the Foundation. You can donate to the Foundation via our PayPal account, or by mailing a check made out to:

Puget Sound CSI Memorial Foundation, Inc.
PO Box 82062
Kenmore, WA 98028-0062

Past donations have been used to award scholarships to candidates selected on the basis of recommendations by the Foundation Board and by Chapter members. The Foundation is always interested in your fund-raising ideas and financial support to promote the Foundation's objectives.

Technically...

John Aldridge of LMN on the Origin of Words

parge - A coat of cement mortar on the face of rough masonry, the earth side of foundation and basement walls.

parging - a thin coat of plaster or mortar for giving a relatively smooth surface to rough masonry or for sealing it against moisture. 1895–1900; parge (by shortening from parget) + -ing.

parget - any of various plasters or roughcasts for covering walls or other surfaces, especially a mortar of lime, hair, and cow dung for lining chimney flues. C14: from Old French pargeter to throw over, from par per- + geter, from Medieval Latin jactāre to throw. float - a small hand tool with a rectangular blade used for floating plaster, etc before 1000; Middle English floten, Old English flotian; cognate with Old Norse flota, Middle Dutch vloten; akin to Old English flēotan to fleet.

darby - a float having two handles, used by plasterers. 1565–75; perhaps after a proper
**fresno** - Fresno trowels are designed to attach to long extension handles so finishers don't have to walk out on the slab

**trowel** - any of various tools having a flat blade with a handle, used for depositing and working mortar, plaster, etc. C14: from Old French truele, from Latin trulla a scoop, from trua a stirring spoon

**screed** - board or metal strip dragged across a freshly poured concrete slab to give it its proper level. 1275–1325; Middle English screde torn fragment, irregular (with sc- for sh-) representing Old English scrēade shred

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**CSI and Affiliate WEBINAR Events**

**Air Barrier Material Testing:**  
*Why Peanut Butter is Good for a Sandwich, but NOT for your Air Barrier*
Real Wood Flooring Enhances Sound Suppression

THURSDAY, MAY 1, 2020
10:00 AM PACIFIC DAYLIGHT TIME
1 HOUR / 1 CEU

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WEBINAR SERIES:

9:00 AM PACIFIC - 1 LU/HSW EACH

- TUESDAY, MAY 5, 2020 - Critical Points for Tile Design and Installation

Metal Roofing: History, Material, and Application

WEDNESDAY, MAY 6, 2020
11:00 AM PACIFIC DAYLIGHT TIME
1 HOUR / 1 LU/HSW

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Lessons in Sustainability

THURSDAY, MAY 7, 2020
12:00 PM PACIFIC DAYLIGHT TIME
1 HOUR / 1 CEU

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Specs For All Seasons: Part 2

THURSDAY, MAY 7, 2020
12:00 PM PACIFIC DAYLIGHT TIME
1 HOUR / 1 LU/HSW

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Real Wood Flooring Enhances Sound Suppression

FRIDAY, MAY 8, 2020
10:00 AM PACIFIC DAYLIGHT TIME
1 HOUR / 1 CEU

CLICK TO REGISTER

Effective Thermal Performance of the Building Enclosure - Exterior Walls

FRIDAY, MAY 8, 2020
9:00 AM PACIFIC DAYLIGHT TIME
DURATION: 1 HOUR

Click Here to Learn More!

Fiberglass: Simple & Cost Effective Solutions to Energy Code Requirements + Introducing the World's First Fiberglass Window Wall

WEDNESDAY, MAY 13, 2020
9:00 AM PACIFIC DAYLIGHT TIME
DURATION: 1 HOUR

Click Here to Learn More!

Managing Project-Specific Details:
Real-time Collaboration Between the Design Professional and Product Specialists

THURSDAY, MAY 14, 2020
10:00 AM PACIFIC DAYLIGHT TIME
2018 Seattle Energy Code Updates at May's Member Meeting
If you missed Duane speaking at the April CSI meeting, tune in to hear him present with Jason Acosta of RDH Building Science!

THURSDAY, MAY 21, 2020
11:30 AM - 1:00 PM PACIFIC DAYLIGHT TIME

Email Nathan Seney for ZOOM access

Through-Wall Flashing Selection and Installation
Real-life examples of systems and transitions; an overview of all flashing choices and how to make product selections

THURSDAY, MAY 21, 2020
10:00 AM PACIFIC DAYLIGHT TIME
1 HOUR / 1 LU/HSW

CLICK TO REGISTER

Combustible Windows and Combustible Façade Components in Non-Combustible Construction – Testing, Research, and Expanding Methods

FRIDAY, MAY 22, 2020
12:00 PM PACIFIC DAYLIGHT TIME
DURATION: 1 HOUR

Click Here to Learn More!

WEBINAR SERIES:

9:00 AM PACIFIC - 1 LU/HSW EACH

● TUESDAY, JUNE 9, 2020 - Terra Cotta Construction & Restoration