

A Message from the Chairperson

Spring is upon us and it's great to be out and about. I just finished up a terrific few days at the Facades+ Conference in NYC, connecting with many of our supporting members and sitting in on a number of presentations highlighting the use and benefits of Rainscreen assemblies for improved performance and durability.

RAiNA is looking forward to continued active Spring with our virtual Annual General Meeting right around the corner on Tuesday, May 16, 2023, and registration is now open. While the AGM is virtual, we will have an in-person Networking Event later this year - more details will come shortly! Our inaugural RAiNA installer training event in Dupont, WA, is coming up in May on the 17th and 18th. Thank you to all of our contributing members for supporting this kick-off program. If you want to be involved in future trainings, please don't forget to reach out to the association for details.

RAiNA is launching our new Retrofit Committee this Spring which has yielded great interest, and even brought in some new members! Lastly, a big thank you to Performance Committee for their progress on the Literature Review on Rainscreen. It was great to hear Dr. John Straube present on this during the March meeting and we hope to have this overview available to the membership in the coming months.

Tremendous progress all around. Wishing you all a wonderful Spring...and remember April showers bring the heightened need for effective rainscreen assemblies!



Todd Kimmel
RAiNA Chairperson

Virtual Annual General Meeting



**Tuesday May 16,
2023 at 3 pm ET**

RAiNA's 3rd Annual
General Meeting is
going virtual this year!

Save your spot &
Register today.

**ANNUAL
GENERAL
MEETING**

RAiNA
RAINSCREEN ASSOCIATION
IN NORTH AMERICA

Annual General Meeting

- See what we accomplished in 2022
- Learn more about RAiNA, association strategy and upcoming plans
- Elect Directors to RAiNA
- Q&A Period from RAiNA Members

RAiNA members contact our office to secure your spot.

[Email RAiNA](#)

2023 Committee Highlights

RAiNA's committee has established their work plans for the 2023 year - and is excited to get to work and share with the membership RAiNA's accomplishments.

Looking to get involved at the committee level?
Contact our office today, and complete an application.

Building Code Committee

Co-Chairs

Brian Nelson, Knight Wall Systems

Code Consultant

Theresa Weston, The Holt Weston Consultancy

The committee will create an ASTM Standard Guide for Rainscreen Assemblies with the assistance of RAINA's Performance and Residential Committees.

They will also create a summary of the 2024 I-Codes updates affecting the Rainscreen Industry.

Definitions Committee

Co-Chairs

Cortney Fried, Brick Industry Association

Jeremy Douglas, Hohmann & Barnard

The committee is currently working on definitions for the following terms in Q1/Q2:

- Drainage Planes
- Flashing
- Subframe/Subframing

Check out the glossary for our defined terms

[Glossary](#)

Diversity, Equity & Inclusion Committee

Co-Chairs

Linda Potter, Hohmann & Barnard

Theresa Weston, The Holt Weston Consultancy

The committee will ensure DE&I best practices are incorporated into RAINA's methodologies—across all committees—to support the brand's mission

Support member organizations to better understand DE&I and how it can benefit their businesses, stakeholders, and the industry as a whole

Education and Training Committee

Co-Chairs

Chris Caricato, International Training Institute

Collette Hart, ATS USA

The committee, alongside RAINA's Executives, have begun developing relationships with educational facility partnerships for the 2023 year, and has launched a series of installer training programs.

The committee is working on creation of new presentation outlines.

Industry Outreach and Marketing Committee

Co-Chairs

Kellie Knuff-Perkins, EQUITONE

The committee will focus on the following goals in 2023:

- Membership Spotlight on Social Media
- Established industry partnerships with Member Exclusive discounts with ABAA, Metalcon, and Facades+
- Creation of new marketing materials to continue to promote RAINA member benefits

Rainscreen Performance Committee

Co-Chairs

Graham Finch, RDH Building Science Inc.

Corey Wowk, Simpson, Gumpertz & Heger

The committee has completed a Literature Search on Rainscreens, findings will be shared with RAINA members.

The committee is currently in the draft stage of a second technical bulletin focusing on Rainscreen Components.

By the end of Q2, the committee will also begin drafting

rainscreen project and material specifications.

Residential Committee

Co-Chairs

Peter Barrett, Dörken Systems Inc.
Danko Davidovic, Huber Engineered Woods
LLC

The committee has continued to work on creating 3D renderings of rainscreen wall designs, and the goal is to take the designs and publish a design guide document.

New and Noteworthy

Committee Co-Chair Appointments

With great pleasure, we announce the appointment of Collette Hart, with ATS as the newest co-chair of the Education and Training Committee.

"As one of the founding members of RAINA, I am pleased to lean in and assist in the role of co-chair on the Education and Training committee. I'm hopeful that this committee and all of RAINA can help to improve the knowledge base regarding the design, supply, and installation of rainscreen systems, as we all do our part to improve building performance. I'm happy to be one of the few Canadians (and women) in leadership roles which speak to the diversity and inclusion of the association and our industry. I also hope that we can do more as a committee to reach out to youth or people interested in a career in the trades that this is a great space to work in." - Collette Hart



NEW Retrofit Committee

Aging building stock, increasingly stringent energy codes, and growing awareness around embodied carbon; are just some of the factors driving a surge in demand for over-cladding and rainscreen retrofits. RAINA has recognized that this growing market segment brings with it a unique set of challenges. The Board of Directors has convened a Retrofit Committee to provide much-needed guidance and education to the industry.

Contact our office today if you are interested in joining this committee

[Email RAINA](#)

RAINSCREEN INSTALLER TRAINING



 May 17 -19*, 2023

 Western Washington Sheet Metal Apprenticeship & Training Center
2725 Williamson Place Suite 100 DuPont WA, 98327

Installer Training Program

The Rainscreen Installer Program is a multi-day program with a learning component and a hands-on component. By the end of the program, you will be confident in:

- General Rainscreen Assemblies
- Water & Air Management
- Drainage & Drying Cavity
- Thermal Management
- Cladding & Attachment Systems

These courses are AIA-approved for HSW/CEU credits.

[View Webinar To Learn More](#)

Member Opportunities

Member Spotlights

We are asking RAiNA member companies to complete a member spotlight questionnaire and have your company featured on RAiNA's social media platforms.

Here are some of our other member spotlights that were highlighted this year!

<p>FOUNDING MEMBER SPOTLIGHT</p>   <p>"Knight is a leader in rainscreen facade support systems and well known in the industry for products that help solve common rainscreen wall assembly issues, in particular, reducing thermal bridging and providing fully engineered, universal systems."</p> <p>Knight Wall Systems proudly supports the Rainscreen Association in North America</p>	<p>MEMBER SPOTLIGHT</p>   <p>Sheet Metal and Air Conditioning Contractors' National Association proudly supports the Rainscreen Association in North America</p>	<p>MEMBER SPOTLIGHT</p>   <p>"Nichiha USA creates long-term value for architects, builders and contractors through building material solutions that are durable and available in a breadth of colors, styles and textures, with customized support to meet any specification and help customers get the most out of their projects."</p> <p>Nichiha USA proudly supports the Rainscreen Association in North America</p>
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RAiNA Monthly Educational Webinars

Interested in sharing your Rainscreen presentation? Well, now RAiNA members can!

RAiNA is excited to announce that we will offer monthly AIA-accredited webinars featuring our member's Rainscreen Presentations!

Learn more by contacting our office today!

[Learn More](#)

Member Signage for Trade Shows

Find fellow RAiNA members at the trade-shows, take a selfie and share! Contact us for your Proud Member sign!



Co-Chair Collette Hart with Dan Oraszewski & Steven Sobot from Sobotec at the CSC Toronto Chapters 45th annual Building Expo.



Owens Corning at Facades+ NYC.

More Member Benefits

- Have your say and Influence the Industry - Participate on Committees, Share your webinar
- Meet and network with colleagues from across North America
- Grow your business and your career - Learn best practices for rainscreen assemblies and become your area's expert.

Have questions about opportunities for members?
Need some RAiNA member signage? We're just an email away.

Email RAiNA

Upcoming Events

Exclusive discounts are available for RAiNA members.
Please contact our office for more information.



ABAA Building Enclosure Conference

We'll be at the conference - Drop by our booth & say hi!

Hear from industry leading experts, learn about new advances in building science and earn up to 11 AIA CEUs (HSW), and network with other industry professionals at the only conference in the world that focuses on air barriers & building airtightness.

Register Now



RDH Webinar Series

RAiNA is thrilled to announce a partnership with [RDH](#) Learn Building Science. This coming May, we will launch an 8-part live online learning experience focused on rainscreen assemblies and their various parts and materials. Delivered by Graham Finch, Dr. John Straube, and other RDH Building Scientists, this series is a unique opportunity to learn from seasoned specialists and educators. Follow [RAiNA](#) and [RDH](#) on social media for more information. Registration coming soon.

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METALCON Live! and RAINA Presents...
NFPA 285 & Other Fire Considerations

Speaker: Steven Gaynor, RAINA Vice Chairperson
June 7, 2023 at 1:00 pm ET

METALCON is the largest international event in the metal construction and design industry. Established in 1991, it's the only annual tradeshow and conference devoted exclusively to the application of metal in the building envelope.

Facades+ Conferences



Welcome New Members

We're excited to welcome these organizations as new RAINA members!



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