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Rainwater News Around the World

CFS Products Achieve NSF Certification

Sprayfoam.com

Maintaining and Winterizing Your Rain Barrels

RealEstate.com

Harvesting Rainwater: Local Nursery Helps Save Precious Resource

Bloomcottage.com

Tips to Conserve Water Use in the Home

CBSBoston

Water Power, Au Naturale



The ARCSEA offices will be closed December 23rd through January 3rd in observance of the holidays. If you must contact staff during this time, please leave a voice mail and urgent calls will be returned.

Have a wonderful holiday season!

**ARCSEA Congratulates the Newest
Professional Designation Recipients!**

Certified Associates

onearth.org

Harvesting Rainwater in Ghana

Leitrim Observer

Permaculture Design: Passive Rainwater Harvesting

LaVidaLocavore

Master Gardeners: Now is the time to harvest rainwater

marinij.com

WK Dickson's Award Winning Study Shows the Viability of Rainwater Harvesting in a Small NC Town

PR.com

Blending Art, Science and Citizens for Clean Water

SouthernMarylandOnline

Saving Money by Storing the Rain

Circle of Blue

Rainwater Harvesting Cleans Up with Hydro In Downtown Monterrey

WaterOnline

Protecting the watershed protects drinking water

Poughkeepsie Journal

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Roger Smith
Tim Hessler

Inspection Specialists

Scott Steindler

Annual Conference Wrap Up & Call Out

Moving Forward

The ARCSA Annual Conference was a success this year. We learned some lessons to make it even better next year. ARCSA will again be partnering with the Irrigation Association and the 2014 conference will be held mid-November in sunny Phoenix, AZ. We can't wait to see everyone again!

Share Your Pictures

For those of you who attended this year's conference, we would like to call out for any pictures you may have taken and would like to share with the organization. It would be great to share the memories, especially to those who couldn't make it. Please email photos, with a caption, to info@arcsa.org.

Conference Presentations Available

The presentations from the conference are now available online through the ARCSA store or by clicking [here](#). For those of you who attended the conference, please send an email to info@arcsa.org to receive a promo code for free download.

New Board of Directors Elected

ARCSA's Board brings diversity and bright ideas to help build the capacity of the organization to better serve its members. ARCSA elected six new members during the annual conference to serve on its Board of Directors. The new directors are as follows:

Anne Guillette, Annapolis, MD
Charlee Myers, Tres Piedras, NM
Denis Rochat, Knoxville, TN
John Hammerstrom, Tavernier, FL

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Mike Sutton, Oakland, CA
Neal Shapiro, Santa Monica, CA

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Welcome New Members & Friends From Around the World!

MEMBERS

Alabama

Vicky Kennedy

California

Allen Ganske

Colorado

Stephen Kingsland

Georgia

Sean Sullivan

Illinois

Jason Carlson
Edward Kloss

New Jersey

Gary Amos

Texas

David Cowart
Jeremy Delost
Sara Duke
Sidney Grief
Liam Hill
Charles King
Chela Langenberg

Virginia

Andrew Barna
Terry Rolon
Chandra Vaughan

To view the full board and their biographies please click [here](#).

Raincatcher Awards

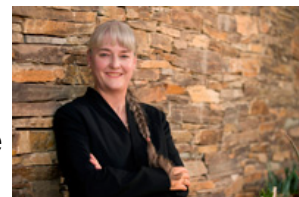
In case you missed the previous enews that focused on the recipients of the Raincatcher Awards, you have the opportunity to view the complete list and a description of the projects [here](#). Be sure to give it a look to see what your peers in the industry are up to!

Silent Auction Winners

There was a great selection of items up for bid at the conferences silent auction. Items included rain barrels, tools, filters, clothes, lamps, art, food, and other goodies. For a complete list of winners and what they took home, please click [here](#)

ARCSA Lifetime Achievement Awards

ARCSA Executive Director, Heather Kinkade and President of Design-Aire Engineering, Bob Boulware, were recipients of the ARCSA Lifetime Achievement Awards during the annual conference in Austin last November.



Both Heather and Bob have made incredible contributions to ARCSA and the rainwater catchment industry. For the full story on Heather, please click [here](#). For the full story on Bob, please click [here](#).



Announcing the 2014 ARCSA Rainwater Catchment System Awards

ARCSA is happy to announce the ARCSA Rainwater Catchment System Award, a rainwater harvesting competition and recognition program to promote technology, educate the public, and to recognize excellence in the application of rainwater harvesting systems in North America.

There are several benefits to winning the competition. It will help you earn recognition both within the rainwater harvesting community and beyond, and enhance your reputation as an individual or entity dedicated to water conservation in North America. As a winner, you will get free publicity; you will be recognized at the ARCSA National Conference and

Wisconsin
Mick Heberling

on the ARCSA website for at least two years.
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Click [here](#) for full eligibility requirements and guidelines.

FRIENDS

Alabama
Sonya Cunningham

Arizona
Jason Mendoza

Mumbai
Nirav Saraiya

New Mexico
Ralph Anderson

North Carolina
Mark Haney

Oregon
Brooke Lounsbury
Michael Lounsbury

Texas
James Grubbs
MuthukumaranGunasekaran
Robert Lewis
Carla Wiseniske

Virginia
John Moore

Washington
Susan McClure

Location Not Specified
Alexandra Burnett
Troy Burnett
Shaun Cavey

Kim Jusek
Laire Lane

ARCSA on Google

Staff has been working to ensure that ARCSA appears in the top five links when performing a search on Google. Currently, ARCSA is the first link to appear when conducting a search for "rainwater catchment" and "rainwater harvesting systems", and it is the fifth link when searching for "rainwater". ARCSA is found on the second page when searching for rainwater harvesting, but staff is working to improve this result.

Just another way that being a member of ARCSA is working for you!



ARCSA & PMI Enter Into MOU

"We at the American Rainwater Catchment Systems Association are thrilled to have an MOU agreement with PMI moving forward into 2014. The day of water conservation through Rainwater Harvesting in commercial, residential and the storm water design has become a part of everyday construction. ARCSA will be working closely with PMI in all aspects of proper design, education and construction to meet the needs of both organizations membership. We consider this as a great opportunity to be linked with such a prestigious organization as PMI," said David Crawford, President of ARCSA.



"Plumbing Manufacturers International (PMI) is delighted to sign the Memorandum of Understanding with the American Rainwater Catchment Systems Association (ARCSA) to explore

ways in which we can work together. The products made by PMI members are likely to use the water captured by the products made by ARCSA members. It makes sense to have a closer relationship," said Barbara C. Higgins, PMI CEO/Executive Director.

**Joint ARCSA/ASPE Rainwater Catchment
Systems Standard Receives ANSI Approval**
New American National Standard helps safely

implement a rainwater catchment system using precipitation from rooftops and other hard, impervious surfaces.

The American Society of Plumbing Engineers (ASPE) is pleased to announce that ARCSA/ASPE/ANSI 63-2013: Rainwater Catchment Systems was approved as an American National Standard by the American National Standards Institute (ANSI) on November 14, 2013. Jointly developed by ASPE and the American Rainwater Catchment Systems Association (ARCSA) and co-sponsored by the International Association of Plumbing and Mechanical Officials (IAPMO) and NSF International, ARCSA/ASPE/ANSI 63-2013 is designed to assist engineers, designers, plumbers, builders/developers, local government officials, and end users in safely implementing a rainwater catchment system using precipitation from rooftops and other hard, impervious surfaces.

To continue reading the complete press release, please click [here](#)

AWRA Fellow Member Award Recipient



Dr. Tamim Younos, President of Cabell Brand Center, has been awarded by the American Water Resources Association (AWRA) as a recipient of the Fellow Member Award. The award was presented during the AWRA Annual Water Resources Conference in Portland, OR November 4-7, 2013. Dr. Younos joined the Cabell Brand Center as Executive Vice President in July 2010. He previously served as a faculty member at Virginia Tech for nearly 30 years and was the interim director of the Virginia Water

Resources Research Center from 2002 to 2006. His research and educational interests include watershed assessment and management, small-scale decentralized water infrastructure and rainwater harvesting, urban stormwater management, water-energy nexus and mitigation of climate change impacts on the local level.

Dr. Younos has been a principal investigator for more than 40 research/technical projects and has authored or co-authored more than 150 publications including two edited books: *Advances in Water Monitoring Research* (2003) and *"Total Maximum Daily Load: Approaches and Challenges"* (2005). Dr. Younos has served on the Board of Directors for the American Water Resources Association (2005-2007), the Board of Directors for the National Institutes for Water Resources (2002-2006), and the Board of Directors for Renewable Natural Resources Foundation (2003-2008). He is past president of the Universities Council on Water Resources. He currently serves on the Editorial Board, *International Water Technology Journal*. Dr. Younos has presented invited talks in China, Japan, Hungary, Poland, Spain, and

Turkey, and conducted water related research in Egypt, Mexico, and the Dominican Republic.

.. Professional Development ..

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ARCSA Workshops ARCSA Accredited Professional (AP)

This two day AP-level workshop, with a one day hands on rainwater system installation workshop, is an in-depth rainwater-harvesting course required for those seeking ARCSA Accredited Professional (AP) status. This course provides attendees with knowledge for rainwater harvesting, both active and passive, design and installation for both outdoor and in-home rainwater use both potable and non-potable; and larger commercial systems, touching on stormwater remediation sanitation for potable uses; rules and regulations, guidelines and restrictions; business management; project planning; site and installation safety; and system construction and maintenance.

The course will follow the Texas A&M University Rainwater Harvesting manual, which is included in the course tuition. Lunch and beverages are provided - There will be a free hands on installation on Sunday.

Sunday installation is not required for ARCSA AP.

**March 7 - March 9, 2014
Santa Cruz Live Oak Grange Hall - Santa Cruz, CA**

For more information and to register, please click [here](#).

RWH Workshops and Accreditation Courses

2013 - 2014 Workshop Schedule

ARCSA is in the process of assembling the workshop schedule for 2014. If you are interested in hosting or sponsoring an ARCSA workshop, please contact the ARCSA Education Coordinator at education@arcsa.org

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