



# ACE MENTOR PROGRAM of ALABAMA

ARCHITECTURE • CONSTRUCTION • ENGINEERING

## 2016 SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITY

### WHY I SUPPORT ACE

When I make a donation to ACE Mentors of Alabama, I know that I am contributing to the future success of young professionals in the Architecture, Construction, and Engineering industry. With my donation, ACE is able to mentor high school students through a challenging extra-curricular program during the school year. Perhaps more importantly, ACE awards several scholarships to help these hard-working students pursue their dreams of higher education.

- Ryan Collins, Dix.Hite+Partners

### ACE NEEDS YOUR HELP

Since our start in 2004, the ACE Mentor Program of Alabama has invested thousands of mentoring hours and tens of thousands of dollars of scholarships toward the college education of ACE students. This year's seniors have great potential, and many of them have participated in ACE for multiple years. We are very excited about their future, and need your help to raise our goal of **\$30,000** to fund the scholarships that will help them get the degree they have been dreaming about since their first ACE meeting!

Our volunteer mentors: **professional architects, engineers and contractors**; share knowledge and passion for the ACE industry through a curriculum designed to introduce them to the variety of careers available as well as prepare them for getting a quick start in college. Throughout the year, they visit construction sites and professional offices to learn about the day to day realities of the jobs as well as challenge their creative spirit through design and build competitions, making the program a unique, hands on learning experience.

### HOW YOU CAN SUPPORT ACE

Every contribution is helpful in making the ACE Mentor Program possible. All contributions directly benefit students who are dedicated to the program and are currently interested in pursuing careers in architecture, construction, engineering, interior design, and landscape architecture – thanks to the ACE program.

You can help ACE in two ways: **VOLUNTEER** or **DONATE**

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**THANK YOU!**

SPONSOR DESIGNATIONS	DONATION
SKYSCRAPER	\$10,000
CORNERSTONE	\$5,000
FOUNDATION	\$2,500
PILLAR	\$1,000
BUILDING BLOCK	\$500

### YOUR PLEDGE

**YES!** I want to help **ACE Mentors of Alabama** support local high school students' pursuit of higher education in the Architecture, Engineering and Construction fields. Please count on me to provide the following contribution:

My name is \_\_\_\_\_ and I am a(n) \_\_\_\_\_ at the firm of \_\_\_\_\_ and I would like for someone to contact me at \_\_\_\_\_.

I would like to **VOLUNTEER** as a Mentor for the upcoming school year. Please send me more information about **mentoring**.

I would like to **DONATE** \_\_\_\_\_ to ACE Mentors of Alabama. Please contact me to arrange receipt of my **contribution**.



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## 2015-2016 PROGRAM REPORT

### ABOUT ACE

ACE Mentor Program of Alabama is an affiliate of a national program headquartered in Washington D.C. Our affiliate was organized in 2004 through a collaboration of local professionals. ACE is a unique partnership among industry professionals – *architects, interior designers, landscape architects, mechanical, structural, electrical, environmental and civil engineers, construction managers*, and other professionals from related corporations and professional organizations – who work together to attract young people to their professions.

### ACE IS MENTORING!

Industry professionals volunteer to become mentors to high school students in order to introduce them to the professions and encourage them to pursue studies and careers in these fields. In return, the industry gets a much-needed boost of new talent. Mentors and students meet twice a month throughout the school year at the offices of architects, contractors, and engineers in the Birmingham area.



“I joined as a mentor to give, but I gained much more than I gave...”  
- Jimmy George, AL Power

### CELEBRATING 11 YEARS OF ACE MENTOR OF ALABAMA!

At our upcoming Annual Banquet, we will be recognizing this year’s ACE students, graduates and scholarship recipients. All program partners, supporters, ACE graduates, mentors and teachers are invited to help us celebrate. We hope everyone will make plans to attend!



## ANNUAL BANQUET

TUESDAY, MAY 10TH 5:30-7:30

KEYNOTE SPEAKER: ANTONIO MINIFIELD  
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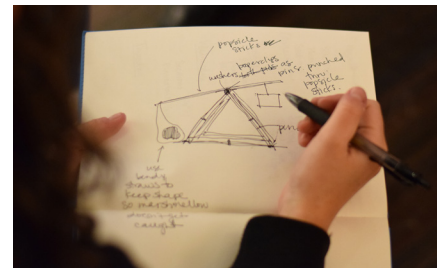
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### OUR MENTORS

ACE Mentor is fortunate to have amazing young professionals from throughout the design and construction industry. Our mentors volunteer numerous hours and resources to provide support and guidance to the students. This school year, over **thirty** mentors have dedicated their time and effort to the program.

**A SINCERE “THANK YOU” TO OUR MENTORS!**



## PARTNERS & CONTRIBUTORS

The following companies, individuals, and organizations have contributed to operational costs or provided in-kind services for ACE this year. We appreciate your support!

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## 2015-2016 CURRICULUM

Introduction to Architecture  
Landscape Architecture & Urban Planning  
Civil Engineering • M/E/P Engineering  
Introduction to Construction  
Scheduling / Estimating  
Powell Avenue Steam Plant  
LabCorp Building Site  
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## SCHOLARSHIPS

ACE offers **scholarships** to high school seniors who plan to pursue an ACE related major in college. Since 2007, ACE Mentor of Alabama has offered \$90,000 in scholarships, including \$22,500 this year. Scholarships are awarded at our **annual banquet** to be held on **May 10th**. All donors are encouraged to attend this inspirational evening with ACE students and their families.

## ACE IS WORKING!



## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

In the past 11 years, we have seen significant changes to our design and construction industries. We have been challenged for our built environment to become more socially responsive, efficient, cost effective and resilient. The protection and conservation of our natural resources and focus on sustainable design is now woven into almost every conversation in our respective professions. To face these challenges, we must prepare our future industry leaders to be innovative and responsive. I am encouraged and inspired to watch as our ACE graduates pursue their dreams. **The ACE Mentor Program** has proven to be an effective tool to recruit, educate and support young talent for ACE related professions. Thank you to all our partners, mentors, students, educators and families for allowing us the opportunity to work with future leaders in our industry. -*Cale Smith, Chair*

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