

ATS CONTINUING EDUCATION ONLINE SEMINAR

Building Green: Products that Support Sustainable Design - West Thursday, September 18, 2025



08:00 AM

Welcome, Credits, and Certificates

08:05 AM

The Benefits of 100% Offsite Fabricated Stainless Steel Railing Systems

Explore the advantages of integrating 100% offsite fabrication into the design of the ornamental railing you specify in your architectural projects.

When compared to local fabrication, Offsite fabrication of custom-designed railing systems not only dramatically improves product quality, it also minimizes project waste, reduces product costs, and streamlines construction processes. *Offsite Fabrication = Value Engineering!*

In this presentation you will learn how architects, designers, and engineers can reduce overall project costs and improve project outcomes by specifiying architectural products which have been custom-designed to precisely fit each project, and then prefabricated to completion offsite, while helping builders and contractors achieve greater efficiency.

Kevin Harris

Kevin Harris is the Director of Sales & Marketing at AGS Stainless, Inc. (AGS), a railing manufacturer specializing in 100% offsite fabrication of custom railing systems. Before his position with AGS, Mr. Harris founded 4 industry-leading firms including 2 information technology firms; one specializing in the creation of web-based process management tools for Fortune 100 corporations and one that specialized in building predictive modeling applications for federal agencies. He also founded a real estate development firm that spearheaded the restoration and redevelopment of a historic seaport communities' downtown waterfront, as well as organizing and founding a state-chartered, community bank; which when it opened, was the fastest bank to receive a charter in the history of Washington State. Mr. Harris currently serves as Past Chair, of the American Institute of Architects National Custom Residential Architects Network (CRAN). He also serves as Past Co-chair, of the Board of Trustees for the National Association of Home Builders Leading Supplier's Council (NAHB LSC).

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09:05 AM

Review of Session Code Process

09:10 AM

Concrete Sustainability & Long-Term Waterproofing Solutions

This presentation explores the composition of concrete, causes of deterioration, and the benefits of crystalline waterproofing technology. It explains how this technology interacts with concrete to form a network of insoluble crystals, making it impervious to water and harmful materials like chlorides and sulfates while improving indoor air quality. The session highlights how crystalline waterproofing increases durability, extends the service life of new concrete, and provides a sustainable solution for repairing and waterproofing existing structures by preserving embodied carbon. It also covers preventing damage from corrosion, freeze-thaw cycles, ASR, and chemical attack. Participants will learn how this technology streamlines project costs and accelerates construction schedules as well as see real-world applications across various industries.

Cassandra Gouws

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10:10 AM Break

10:30 AM Sponsor: Lincora - Fred Lagace

10:45 AM Sustainable Exterior Envelope

This course focuses on the effect biological and physical agents have on the wood substrate of the exterior building envelope. After reviewing these agents, you will learn how proper installation and best building practices can limit the exposure these agents can pose to your project. Durable wood substrates will also be discussed with a comparison of popular manmade durability agents used to further protect the exterior envelope.

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11:45 AM Thermally Modified Wood as a Sustainable, Biophilic Product Choice for Architects and Designers

This course examines the use of thermally modified woods in sustainable building practices. Through this course, participants will gain a comprehensive understanding of the thermally modified wood process, its environmental benefits, and its applications in architectural design. We will explore the science behind thermal modification, its impact on wood properties, and its advantages over traditional wood treatments. Additionally, the course will address key considerations for specifying, installing, and maintaining thermally modified wood products, equipping attendees with the knowledge needed to incorporate this innovative material into their projects. Discover how thermally modified woods are reshaping the landscape of sustainable construction and contributing to a greener future.

Lisa Ayala

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12:45 PM Break

01:00 PM Designing for Sound Control: Effective, GREEN, Principles and Practices

In this one-hour course, design professionals will gain practical knowledge of effective principles of sound control and how they can be applied to the design of wall and floor/ceiling assemblies. We will discuss building code criteria and guidelines, including strategies to meet these requirements utilizing cellulosic fiberboard. By the end of this course, design professionals will be able to specify optimal sound control strategies that best fit each project's needs.

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02:00 PM Non-Combustible & NFPA 285 Tested Wood Aesthetic Technologies for Commercial Projects

The look of "Wood" provides warmth in a building design that cannot be achieved by masonry, metals, glass or other building materials. Natural wood may not be an option for Class 1-3 (40'+) Commercial project due to combustibility, but newer composite and synthetic products replicate the look of natural wood and provide the fire performance required for Class 1-3 Commercial projects. They may also provide superior color retention and life-cycle performance while requiring little to no maintenance. This learning unit will provide an in-depth overview of "wood" design technologies that meet code requirements for Class 1-3 Construction.

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03:00 PM End









