



# Architectural Foundation of Cincinnati 2004–2005 ANNUAL REPORT

## President's Report 2004

Jay Chatterjee

My first year as foundation president was a rewarding one. With energetic participation from the board and generous assistance from the Greater Cincinnati community, the organization made its ambitious goals. Revenue increased by 62%. Total assets advanced from \$62,677 to \$114,945.

### Grants and Membership

A generous grant from the Greater Cincinnati Foundation enabled us to continue the capacity-building program initiated by Sue Ann Painter. We received education grants from the American Architectural Foundation, Cinergy Foundation, Kempner Fund, Melody Sawyer Richardson, and Weston Fund. Membership and income topped all previous records. Nearly two-dozen individuals, foundations, and firms made gifts in the Silver, Gold, and Platinum categories. We are grateful to Carol and Robert Olson, who entertained sustaining members in their marvelous house.

### Grants Given

With proceeds from the Apple Award Gala 2004, the foundation made financial awards to projects that would improve the built environment. Donald Junker, foundation treasurer, chaired the Grants Committee and announced the committee's selections projects taking place in 2004-2005.

- 1– Architecture By Children for program materials
- 2– Glendale Heritage Association for assistance with publication of a book of architectural standards
- 3– Art Academy of Cincinnati for assistance with an outdoor art community-based project in Over-the-Rhine

### Public Programs and Education

In April, we held a member program at the Niehoff Center in the Emery Center, with Michele Pride-Wells, Head of DAAP's School of Architecture, as the speaker. In May, architectural critic Paul Goldberger spoke on the process of rebuilding at Ground Zero for the Apple Award banquet.

Alice Weston has photographed countless commercial, institutional, and public buildings for the book on significant architecture of Cincinnati. Sue Ann Painter, Beth Sullebarger, and John Hancock are at work on the text, and the Ohio University Press committed to publishing the book in 2006.

### Awards Made

AFC gives the Apple Award to an individual whose actions advance its goal to improve the built environment. In May 2004, the award was presented to UC Vice president for Finance, Dale McGirr. Trustee Buck Niehoff chaired the dinner and he and Mrs. Niehoff sponsored the Goldberger lecture. We were gratified to have sponsorship support for the Apple Award from Miller-Valentine.

### AFC Annual Meeting

Michael Moose, AIA, vice-president of the Architectural Foundation, presided at the annual meeting for Jay Chatterjee, the foundation president, who was giving a presentation at a meeting of the Association of Collegiate Schools of Architecture.

Following the meeting, Alice Weston made a slide presentation of her architectural photographs appearing in the foundation's forthcoming book, *Architecture Cincinnati*. AFC executive director Sue Ann Painter, the book's editor and co-author, provided the commentary.

### Election of AFC Trustees

In 2004, Gary Herfel, Esq. was elected trustee emeritus. Mr. Herfel is a past president and charter member of the foundation. He wrote the articles of incorporation for the foundation in 1982, and has served since as its legal counsel. Incumbents Donald Junker and Christine Schoonover were reelected. Mr. Junker is an architect and past president of AIA and the foundation. Ms. Schoonover is a community leader and manager of the Huff Realty Metropolitan Office.

Steve Kenat, AIA, retired after a one-year term on the foundation board to coincide with his tenure as president of AIA Cincinnati; Mr. Kenat is with GBBN Architects.

Four first-term trustees were elected at the meeting. They are: David Birdsall, vice-president for Regency Real Estate; Nick Rosian, project executive for Messer Construction Co.; Brandon Smith, partner with B2B Equities; and Keith Smith, CEO of Walteck and Company LTD.