

Presidents Message

A Fantastic Fall is approaching.

Summer has been wonderful here in the northwest, warm sunny days accented with our amazing vista's. This fall we be fabulous too with events that you wont want to miss: Quartz – it's here to stay ... The Premium Client – how to zone in on your clients needs and wants... Legal Issues – what we need to know...

I look forward to seeing you, 09/19/12, at our next chapter event, "Quartz Surfacing, CEU 0.1," at the Kitchen & Bath Studio, Port Townsend.

All my best,

Nancy Finneson, AKBD, CAPS, Allied ASID

NKBA Olympic-West Sound President & Chapter Representative

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Olympic-West Sound Events

September 19: Quartz Surfacing: Attributes and Benefits [CEU 0.1] and Chapter Officer Elections

October 17: The Premium Client [CEU 0.1]

November 14: Legal Issues for Designers and Contractors

www.nkbaolyws.org

Save the Date

Sept 13: Outdoor Kitchens (Puget Sound Chapter) Kent

September 22: NKBA CKD/CBD Exam, Bellevue

October 5-7th: Peninsula Home & Remodel Expo

October 11: Focus on Design Conference, All Day Event! Seattle Design Center

www.focusondesignconference.com/

October 12: 35th Anniversary – NKBA Puget Sound

Visit our neighboring chapters' websites

[Puget Sound Chapter](http://www.nkbapugetsound.org)

www.nkbapugetsound.org

Puget Sound, Washington

[Palouse Chapter](http://www.nkbapalousechapter.org)

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Eastern Washington

[Columbia River Chapter](http://www.nkbaoregon.org)

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Oregon

Consider Becoming an NKBA Chapter Officer for 2013

NKBA chapter officers contribute to and benefit from the growth of the NKBA. Serve as a member advocate and represent your industry peers.

Through leadership training, chapter officers gain the skills necessary to become stronger managers. This knowledge is invaluable to your own business, and the experience is a great addition to your personal portfolio.

Chapter Officer Benefits:

- Gain Consumer and Peer Recognition
- Influence the Association and the Industry
- Receive Free Admission to NKBA Courses
- VIP KBIS Package
- Valuable Leadership Training

[Learn more](#) about becoming an NKBA chapter officer. [Self-nomination forms](#) are due by Monday, September 17, 2012.

**Chapter Officer Elections
will be held at our 9/19/12 meeting.**

CONNECT & COLLABORATE

Focus on Design invites you to join us in “**dancing the design tango**” at our third annual Focus on Design Conference on October 11th at the Seattle Design Center (SDC). Inspired by Pantone’s color of the year, Tangerine Tango, the events of the conference are certain to be vibrant, bright, and full of flavor for the Northwest design community.

Hosted by The Puget Sound chapters of the Northwest Society of Interior Designers (NWSID) and National Kitchen and Bath Association (NKBA), Focus on Design is the largest event in the Northwest that is specifically “to the trade.” We thank the SDC and other industry partners for offering their key support in making this a must attend event for the design industry.

We are enthralled to dance the design tango to the tune of a truly exciting and important theme, ‘Connections & Collaborations.’ Jason Twill, Senior Project Manager, Sustainability at Vulcan Inc. will be our keynote speaker. Jason has been involved in a variety of organizations including International Living Future Institute and Green Sports Alliance and is pleased to present his take on connecting and collaborating on design projects. In addition to our keynote, a choice of 12 seminars, many offering CEUs, will be presented.

Following our seminars and keynote, we will be hosting an exclusive Product Showcase featuring NWSID and NKBA members as well as other design industry resources. Other highlights include a closing cocktail party hosted by Contract Furnishings Mart (Gold Partner), additional design seminars in the SDC showrooms which will all be open to attendees, and a breakfast and progressive lunch hosted by several of the SDC showrooms.

This outstanding conference will showcase this region’s design assets and provide a rich collection of seminars and products, as well as networking opportunities for design professionals.

Attendees may purchase an all-day pass, or a single seminar ticket.

All-day pass:

NKBA/NWSID member \$125, Non-member \$175 (Student member \$75, Non-member student \$100)

Single seminar:

NKBA/NWSID member \$45, Non-member \$65 (Student member \$25, Non-member student \$40)

If you have any questions or would like to volunteer to help with the conference, please visit our website: www.focusondesignconference.com or call the NWSID office at (206) 763-8799.