Goal

The goal of this annual symposium is to explore important facets of the discipline of Interior Design (ID) by bringing together presentations on research, theory, and practices. These presentations will advocate for professional identity, support cultural diversity through design, and encourage global connectivity among peoples, ideas, and interdisciplinary fields of thought.

2015 Symposium Theme

The second annual Interior Design Emerging symposium will be held April 9th-10th, 2015 in Miami Beach, Florida. The theme, “Blurred Lines”, refers to those narrow and vacillating borders between the designs of interior spaces to designs utilizing the objects, forms, and technology that interact in and out of those spaces. “Blurred Lines” investigates the ever-evolving role of the Interior Architect or Designer as one that creatively touches every part of the physical landscape.

This symposium opens interdisciplinary communication between interior design academics and those practitioners working in all facets of the design field. Influential designers and revolutionary thinkers who blur the lines every day as interior architects and designers will share space, ideas, and data. The ensuing discussions and debates will shape the education and practice of design for years to come by projecting the design of objects, furniture, lighting, surface design, and brand. Attendees will create new possibilities and re-invent spaces and objects with thinking that blur the lines of convention and shapes a future of unbounded thought and designed space.

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## Symposium Deadlines

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## Proposal Submission Guidelines and Instructions

**SUBMISSION TYPES**

There are three submission types:
1. Individual or Group Presentations
2. Display Poster Session
3. Pecha Kucha

**WE ENCOURAGE INTERDISCIPLINARY WORK**

We invite submissions of work at a range of scales from urban design, to landscape, to architecture, to interior and industrial design.
1. INDIVIDUAL OR GROUP PRESENTATIONS

Author(s) will have 45 minutes to present, and may use that time for presentation, questions, and audience interaction on the BLURRED LINES topic related to research, teaching, theory, or practice. Audience exchange should stimulate creative thinking and reflection.

2. DISPLAY POSTER SESSIONS

Posters should represent in progress or finished research or research informed design projects that lend themselves to visual presentation. In these sessions, the presenter stands near his/hers poster and discusses its content or design with symposium attendees. Poster representations are an appropriate outlet for professional or student design work or visual research.

Format: Portrait Layout
Size: 24” x 36”
Once accepted, final posters should be submitted as pdf files no later than midnight PST on March 1st, 2015 to IntArchSymposium@yahoo.com. FIU Interior Architecture Department will print and set-up all selected Poster Presentations.

3. PECHA KUCHA PRESENTATION

PECHA KUCHA presentation option is designed to offer informal content to symposium attendees in an engaging, abbreviated presentation. Each visual presentation should exemplify the symposium theme. Speakers will be given 6 minutes and 40 seconds to discuss 20 slides for 20 seconds each. These presentations should rely heavily on images instead of text. Pecka Kucha presentations are an appropriate outlet for showcasing contemporary examples of interior design work where new ideas, concepts, and approaches that Blur the Lines have been successfully implemented.
HOW AND WHERE TO SUBMIT PROPOSALS

All proposals must be submitted in PDF format via email:
IntArchSymposium@yahoo.com

1. INDIVIDUAL OR GROUP PRESENTATIONS (45 MINUTES)

   Individual or Group Presentation proposals must include:
   • An abstract no longer than 250 words that clearly describes:
     • The intended audience
     • Specific topic/area that will be addressed
     • The purpose and objectives of the session
     • A short 25 word biography of the presenter with photo. *(submitted as a separate document to allow for blind-review)*

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2. DISPLAY POSTER SESSIONS

   Poster session proposals must include:
   • An abstract no longer than 250 words that:
     • Clearly define the methodology employed.
     • Describe the form of the visual representation of the work (e.g., what will be visually represented on the poster).
     • A short 25-word biography of the presenter with photo. *(submitted as a separate document to allow for blind-review)*

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3. **PECHA KUCHA SESSIONS**

Pecha Kucha proposals must include:

- An abstract no longer than 200 words that:
  - Details the topic and design methodology.
- A short 25-word biography of the presenter with photo. *(submitted as a separate document to allow for blind-review)*

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