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The USGBC Florida Gulf Coast Chapter is honored to have Mickey Jacob, 2013 President of the American Institute of Architects, and Executive Vice President of BDG Architects, as our Keynote Speaker for the 2015 LEEDership Awards Program.

A native of Windsor, Ontario, Canada, Mickey Jacob, FAIA graduated from the University of Detroit School of Architecture in 1981, and relocated immediately to Tampa where he has practiced Architecture for 34 years. A founding partner at Urban Studio Architects for more than 25 years, Mickey is the Executive Vice President for Strategy and Business Development at BDG Architects after a 2013 merger. His projects include the Epicurean Hotel, Grand Central on Kennedy, Lykes Lines Corporate Headquarters, Metro 510, NorthStar Bank South Tampa Branch, and Mise En Place Restaurant.



Involvement in leadership roles at the American Institute of Architects to serve the profession is an important aspect of Mickey's career. Throughout his tenure in leadership positions at AIA Tampa Bay, AIA Florida, and AIA National, Mickey has understood the value of building relationships by collaborating with his colleagues, building relationships, and advocating for the profession. In recognition of his work and commitment to leadership, Mickey was elevated to the AIA College of Fellows in 2009. Additionally, Mickey was elected the 2013 President of the American Institute of Architects.

As a recognized leader in the community, Mickey is active in a variety of business, professional, educational and charitable organizations, and is a regular speaker on leadership and the importance of civic engagement. Over the past few years, Mickey has provided keynote addresses and speeches for AIA Chapters nationwide and has been a featured speaker at the Japan Institute of Architects Convention, the Australian Institute of Architects Convention, and the Royal Architectural Institute of Canada Festival of Architecture. Mickey has also represented the AIA as a Co-Host in partnership with the US Department of Commerce, leading architecture trade missions to India and Brazil.