

## **NH CIBOR Affiliates to host Green Series of presentations**

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Excitement and attendance is growing for the CIBOR Affiliates Green Series of presentations. Even with the abundance of information being promoted by USGBC and other green organizations some people are unclear as to how they can go "Green" and where to begin with the process. In an effort to address the many questions of how going green may impact our professional lives, the NH CIBOR affiliates committee have developed a series of twelve seminars to be presented the second Thursday of each month this year. Each seminar is designed to focus on a specific topic that relates to the green building process, with the format providing for roundtable discussion after a presentation by a professional on the particular topic. The seminars will be hosted on a rotating basis at LEED certified building locations in N.H., The McLane Audubon Center Concord, the Portsmouth Public Library and the PSNH building in the Manchester mill yard area. Seminars will begin at 9:00 a.m. and will include a limited breakfast. Cost for this session is free.

The fifth seminar in the series is scheduled for Thursday June 12th, at the Portsmouth Public Library. The topic will be centered on "Interiors Going Green", sustainable products and workspace design. The seminar will touch on a number of different ways to adapt sustainable methods into the interior of a commercial building.

The presentation will be made by Heather Rowan, interior designer and business development manager of Office Interiors Limited, a Dover based contract office furniture dealer and interior design firm currently engaged in a number of projects incorporating LEED and sustainable design principles.

Rowan will be joined by a panel of professional associates working in many aspects of green interiors. The session will explore many features of sustainable interior design and include demountable walls, raised and under-air floor systems and associated cost saving strategies, lighting methods, green finishes and furniture, LEED CI (commercial interiors). In addition the panel will address the topic of "Cradle to Cradle" and present a number of resources for services and products.

Subsequent seminars will follow in a sequence reflective of the planning and building process. Seminars will include:

\*July 10th: Green Energy

\*August 14th: Finance and Green

\*September 11th: Legal Aspects of Green Building

\*October 9th: Green from the Realtors Perspective

\*November 13th: Green from the Owners Perspective

\*December 11th: Green Residential Design

\*January 2009: Panel discussion- All Speakers

The series is open to anyone that has an interest in learning more about the "Green Movement" in

the N.E. marketplace. To learn more about the series or to sponsor or register to attend a seminar contact NHCIBOR affiliate committee chair Rowan, at hrowan@officeinteriorsltd.com or committee member Bill Jean, director of business development for Fulcrum Associates Inc at bjean@fulcrum-nh.com.

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