

December 18, 2020

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Dear Chapter Leaders,

Due to the escalating numbers of COVID-19 cases nationwide, IDSA has made the decision to extend our guidance around convening in person chapter events. **Unless expressly approved in writing by IDSA, all in-person chapter events are to be postponed or canceled indefinitely.**

Key factors that were considered for this decision:

- Out of an abundance of caution, all IDSA 2021 events, which are normally hosted in person (the International Design Conference, Education Symposium, IDEA Ceremony & Gala, and all IDSA Deep Dives) will be virtual experiences.
- IDSA HQ staff will continue to work in a remote capacity indefinitely until COVID-19 impact subsides.
- The IDSA professional chapters have successfully transitioned their in-person opportunities to valuable, virtual experiences throughout the pandemic.

Now that COVID-19 vaccines are being approved for public use, IDSA looks forward to updating this policy, hopefully soon.

**Questions?** Contact [Korie Twiggs](#), Community Manager