Leanna Libourel, AIA, LEED AP BD+C

Bio
Leanna Libourel, AIA, is an architect with a specialty in performance based design. Her experience spans architecture and real estate development and includes private schools, mixed use, transit/aviation, civic, single family residential, multifamily residential, retail and hospitality. As the former AIACC/NCARB Licensing Advisor and current Young Architect Regional Director for Southern California she is connected at all levels of the organization. Through mentorship and speaking engagements she strives to nurture future generations and increase the profile of women in the profession. Leanna graduated magna cum laude with a Master of Architecture degree from Cornell University.

Statement
My professional drive is best described by two of the overriding goals of the Young Architects Forum: mentorship and leadership.

As a former AIACC/NCARB Architect Licensing Advisor I have mentored hundreds of candidates on their path to licensure. This work was founded in my passion for licensure and the profession. I believe that as the built environment becomes more complex, the profession needs to grow and adapt to be more diverse, inclusive and inventive. Mentoring those on the path to licensure and in the early stages of their career is a way to make this happen.

As an active emerging professional within the AIA, a highly motivated professional and mother of two young children I have learned that leadership is all about collaboration. If elected as the Young Architects Forum Regional Director for Southern California I will collaborate with other professionals to address the unique challenges that Young Architects face today and ultimately build a better future for the profession as a whole.