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National News

Tanya Komasa Named to Five Most Influential in Concrete Industry



Tanya Komasa, Associate Professor and Director of the CIM program, California State University, Chico, has been named by Concrete Construction magazine, as one of the five most influential people in the concrete industry. Komasa was recognized for her work with the CIM program and with the Alcatraz Island Field School.

Komasa says that the thing she likes to tout about the CIM program is how prepared students are at the end of their four years. "The industry needs young people who can jump in on the big issues; move straight into jobs and careers in the industry," she says. "As CIM graduates they have the ability to make change happen quickly. They have found their passion for concrete in college, they are already familiar with industry leaders, and they know that this is what they want to do." [Click here](#) to read the entire article.

Another Successful Auction at World of Concrete



The National Steering Committee (NSC) for CIM raised more than \$615,000 in gross revenue at its seventh annual auction, held in conjunction with the World of Concrete on Wednesday, Feb. 6.

"The NSC is pleased to report that the 2013 World of Concrete Auction equaled our highest gross proceeds total ever," commented Mike Philipps, CIM Auction Committee Chairman. "This is a great example of the high value the concrete industry places on the CIM program. We had a record number of donated items and attendees at the Auction that helped make this year's event a huge success."

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**Next NSC/CIM
Board Meeting To
Be Held At Texas
State University**

The signature item this year was a Mack® Granite® concrete truck chassis with a McNeilus 11-cubic-yard concrete mixer donated by Mack Trucks, Inc. and McNeilus Co., a Division of Oshkosh Truck. The winning bidder of the mixer truck was Tim Ashley of [Clovis Concrete](#) in Clovis, New Mexico.



"We are very pleased with how everyone stepped up to donate and bid on the great auction items and support the CIM program," continued Philipps. "The money raised will benefit the NSC and support the current CIM program as well as help fund future program expansion."

"We were fortunate to have the incredible support of the World of Concrete (WOC) Show Management, Hanley Wood Publications and Ritchie Bros. Auctioneers," said CIM Marketing Committee Chairman Brian Gallagher. "We thank the many companies such as McNeilus Companies, Inc., Mack Trucks, Inc., Somero Enterprises, and the numerous companies that donated items to the Auction to make it a complete success."

In addition to the live auction, a silent auction was also held. This year CIM had record proceeds of over \$50,000 in the silent auction. Auction items included cement, concrete saws, drills, mixers, vibrators, safety equipment, screeds, fiber transport systems, dust collectors, decorative concrete tools, water meters, pumps, generators, training sessions, reference books, advertisements, laptop computers, sports travel packages, and golf and vacation travel packages.

University News

CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY - CHICO

Most Influential People In Concrete: Tanya Komas



As mentioned above, California State University - Chico is thrilled that our CIM Program Director, Tanya Komas was recently named one of the five most influential people in the concrete industry. During World of Concrete in February, Bill Palmer, Editor-in-Chief of Concrete Construction Group conducted an interview with Komas. See the entire interview

below.

Texas State University-San Marcos will be the location for the next Concrete Industry Management (CIM) National Steering Committee (NSC) Meeting, Board of Directors Meeting and various Committee meetings June 5-7. For more information about the meeting, please contact [Nicole Maher](#).

Join The Conversation!



Thank You To Our Sponsors of the 2013 CIM Auction At World of Concrete



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NEW JERSEY INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY

NJIT named ACI Excellent University for 2012



For the third year in a row, New Jersey Institute of Technology has been named an ACI Excellent University for 2012. The university also received this designation in 2010 and 2011. The ACI award for University Student Activities was initiated to recognize universities that have participated in ACI-related events. The award will be officially announced during ACI's spring convention in Minneapolis, MN on Sunday, April 14.

Congratulations to the faculty and staff for a job well done!

NJIT Students Participate in World of Concrete

A group of NJIT undergraduate students enrolled in the CIM program at NJIT recently returned from a fascinating week in Las Vegas at the World of Concrete annual conference. Activities included manning the CIM booth and explaining to visitors about NJIT's program. Students assisted with the registration process and advertising efforts for the annual auction. NJIT students on the trip included: Joana Marques, Newark; Robert Goncalves, Hazlet; Andrew Kelemen, Cornwall, NY; Brian Neves, South River; Edgar Polanco, North Brunswick; Narguis Benyamin, Garfield and Andrew Canon, Parsippany.

TEXAS STATE UNIVERSITY - SAN MARCOS

National Search For New Faculty

Two national search processes have been initiated for the Texas State, CIM program. One is for the purpose of recruiting a permanent program director for the CIM program. Another position is for a full-time faculty at the



assistant professor level. Telephone interviews for both searches have been completed and campus interviews were scheduled in February.



The successful candidates are expected to join Texas State for the Fall semester. At that time, the Texas State CIM program will have four full-time, tenure track faculty members.

Recruitment Event

CIM faculty member Dr. Jiong Hu attended a special recruitment event on February 26 at Lone Star College-Montgomery to promote the Department of Engineering Technology and CIM program. About 14,000 students are enrolled at LSC-Montgomery.

MIDDLE TENNESSEE STATE UNIVERSITY

CIM MBA Update

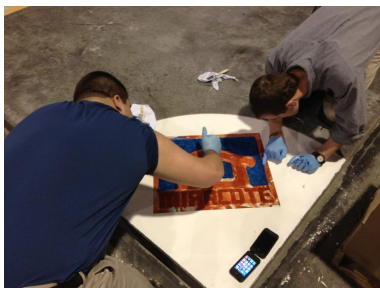


The MTSU CIM MBA is in full force! The first class began in October 2012 and has finished two sessions which is four of their twelve total courses on their road to graduation in March 2014. MTSU is currently accepting applications for the next class to begin in Fall of 2013. For more information, contact Mr. Ayaz Ahmed at 678/372-1493 or visit www.concrete-mba.com.

MTSU hosted the first Internship Interview Day on March 21. This event is designed to help connect students with employers for summer internships by compressing interviews into a single day. Nine companies were registered to attend with more than 25 students participating.

MTSU Attends Concrete Decor Show

MTSU CIM took six students to the Concrete Decor Show in Charlotte, NC on March 13-15 during the students' spring break. Students were put to work at the show, assisting Miracote with a decorative slab as well as helping with the Charlotte Rescue Mission.





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