“Healthy Environment, Healthy Lifestyles, Healthy Community”

Fit City Miami: Health & the Built Environment Conference

On January 17th American Institute for Architects Miami in partnership with the Gold Coast Chapter of the APA, the Southeast Florida District Council Urban Land Institute, the Consortium for a Healthy Miami-Dade, and the Earth Ethics Institute at Miami Dade College hosted the 2nd annual Fit City Miami: Health & the Built Environment conference. The full-day conference featured keynote speakers Rick Bell, FAIA and Karen K. Lee, MD, MHSC of the NYC Department of Health & Mental Hygiene. The conference attracted more than 200 participants, half of whom were students.

The Active Design in New York evolved as a response to the current public health epidemics of obesity and chronic diseases. By increasing opportunities for daily physical activity and healthy eating, urban designers can play a crucial role in preventing and controlling these problems. The conference brought together architects, planners, designers, developers, public health professionals, and students to address how building design and policy decisions can improve health outcomes in our communities.

The conference was held at the Wolfson campus new classroom building designed by Zyscovich Architects. The building is the first Miami project to incorporate Active Design guidelines and be recognized by the U.S. Green Building Council for an Innovation in Design” credit, awarded for “exemplary performance” in green design.

The Health & the Built Environment committee will continue to participate in the annual conference in hopes it will promote physical activity through active design relates to walkability, safety, building codes, zoning, diversity of recreational activity, accessibility, infrastructure, housing, schools, bicycles, transit, and mixed-use zoning in Miami-Dade.
Heart Health Month

About 47% of sudden cardiac deaths occur outside a hospital. This suggests that many people with heart disease don’t act on early warning signs.

**Major warning signs and symptoms of heart attacks:**
- Chest pain or discomfort.
- Upper body pain or discomfort in the arms, back, neck, jaw, or upper stomach.
- Shortness of breath.
- Nausea, lightheadedness, or cold sweats.

**Whole-Wheat Pasta with Broccolini and Feta**

**Directions**

Bring a large pot of water to a boil. Add the broccolini and cook about 2 to 3 minutes. Stir in the radish slices, and cook 30 seconds, more. Scoop out the vegetables and plunge them immediately into ice water. Drain the vegetables, pat them very dry.

Add the pasta to the same pot of boiling water, and cook, stirring occasionally, for about 8 to 9 minutes. Drain and set aside.

Whisk the vinegar, orange zest, the 3/4 teaspoon salt and pepper, to taste. Gradually whisk in the oil to make the dressing.

Toss the rigatoni, broccolini, radish and shallot with the dressing.

Add the feta cheese and toss lightly.

Serve warm or room temperature.

By Television Food Network.

**Ingredients**

- 1 medium shallot, thinly sliced
- 1 bunch broccolini , stems cut into 2-inch stems, and florets
- 1 bunch radishes, trimmed and very thinly sliced
- 12 ounces whole-wheat rigatoni
- 1 tablespoon wine vinegar
- 1/2 teaspoon finely grated orange zest
- Freshly ground black pepper
- 3 tablespoons extra-virgin olive oil
- 7 ounces feta cheese, crumbled
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FAMILY FUN DAY
Saturday, February 15 | 7 - 9 am

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* Wednesdays, 5 - 8 pm
Cagni Park
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1255 NW 135 Street

* Opportunities to log steps with staff members to track your progress and reach 1,000,000 steps

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