



The Passive House Network Conference Overview



June 4-5, 2026 | Hotel Marcel, 500 Sargent Drive, New Haven, CT

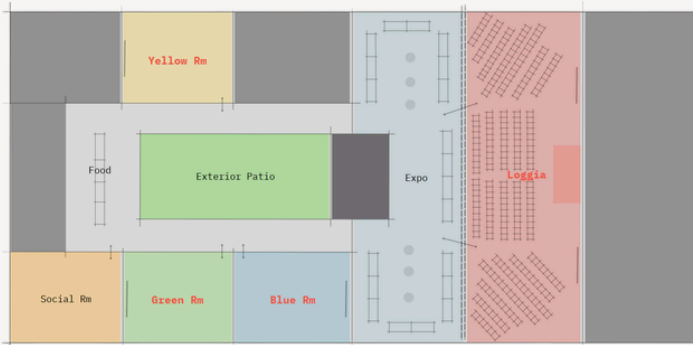
Welcome to Hotel Marcel and The 2026 Passive House Conference.
Feel the difference. Learn from leading experts. Create lasting connections.

Join us in exploring what Passive House can do, including Marcel Breuer's Brutalist masterpiece, the Armstrong Rubber Headquarters, reborn as the PHI EnerPHit-certified Hotel Marcel by architects Becker + Becker.

Over the next two days, we will see how the Passive House standard teaches us how to transform conventional building delivery to provide robust benefits that everyone can profit from: Health and well-being. Social justice. Financial security. Property protection. Wealth creation. Customer satisfaction. Team building.

Together, we will share and learn how Passive House can support the ambitions that our challenging times demand to make our buildings safe harbors and industry leaders.

Conference Plan - 9th Floor



Program Overview

The conference opening plenary kicks off at 1 PM Thursday, June 4th and closes after the Reception Happy Hour at 5 PM Friday, June 5th. Comprising 22 sessions and over 40 presentations, the program snapshot can be seen on the next page with a detailed program on the event web page.

Building Tours

June 4th 11AM & June 5th at Noon & 4:00PM

Sign-ups are required. See Registration Table for more information. Self-Guided Tours are available throughout the Conference. See Building Tour Brochure for more information.

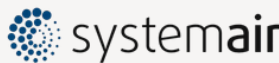
Member Gatherings

PHN Members, Mentors, Mentees, and Fellowship Participants are invited to join us on June 4th at 6:30PM at the Hotel Marcel Sunken Lounge & Bar on the 1st floor for a gathering of intentional, informal meet-ups.

After Hours

All are welcome to join us downtown on June 4th at 9:00PM for an After-Hours gathering. Connect, continue the conversation, and make plans for a better world. Location to be announced at conference.

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Conference Program Snapshot

For full descriptions, learning objectives, speaker bios, and more, visit www.passivehousenetwork.org



June 4th

11:00 AM **Building Tours:** Walk-the building, meeting the suppliers & consultants. Hear the stories. (Sign-up required prior to conference).

11:30 AM **Doors Open:** A light lunch and exhibitor expo

1:00 - 2:00 PM **Opening Plenary:** Remarks by PHN, PHI, and event partner Swegon/Tower Enterprises, with a presentation on the development of Hotel Marcel by its owner, architect & developer, Bruce Becker.

2:30 - 3:45 PM **Loggia | Yellow Rm**

High-Density Results: A retrofit at New York University in Greenwich Village and multifamily new builds in Dublin, demonstrate the performance-defining new expectations and value. **Tomás O'Leary, Mosart, Michael Syracuse, FXCollaborative & Cecil Scheib, New York University**

Mechanical Mastery: Learn about Hotel Marcel's all-electric mechanical systems by Swegon & Mitsubishi, and how their integration continues to evolve in commercial Passive House buildings. **Zachary Koch, Mitsubishi, Faiz Malek, Swegon**

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Home Security: Families and teams intentionally prioritize Passive House resilience after losing everything in the 2025 Los Angeles Eaton Fire. **Meredith McDaniel, MAAM Architects & Darin Dusan, Joubert Homes, Edie Dillman & Jonah Stanford, B.Public Prefab**

Lessons Learned: From Massachusetts & the United Kingdom, from the C-Suite to the trades, realizing the full power of Passive House means training, learning, and sharing. **Sarah Lewis, Passivhaus Trust, Beth Campbell & Alexander Gard-Murray, Passive House Massachusetts**

4:15 - 5:30 PM **Loggia | Yellow Rm**

Refining Residences: Passive House strategies raise the bar for serving diverse populations from Spanish Seniors in Catalonia, to families on the Upper West Side. **Oliver Style, Praxis, Todd Poisson, Will Russell, BKSK**

The Business Case: Generate value, wealth, and security with Passive House as an integral component of your business plan, with short presentations and a roundtable discussion. **David Komet, Urban Earth, Bruce Becker, Becker + Becker, Mike Doty, Nuveen**

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Mechanical Control: Unitized integrated heat pump water heaters in multifamily get figured out while combined mechanical systems are piloted in Canada. **Robb Aldrich, Steven Winter Associates, Andrew Peel, Peel Passive House**

Material Thoughts: Materiality of adobe in California, and mass timber in New York, new build and retrofit, and the elasticity of Passive House approaches. **Floris Keverling Buisman, 475, Mike Horgan & Caroline Dunn, Cairn Collaborative**

5:30 PM **Reception:** Expo Happy Hour

6:30 PM **Community Meetups:** in hotel lobby

Full Program

A full program, including speaker bios, can be found on our website, or by scanning the QR Code.



CEU Credits

AIA/PHI Credits can be claimed by using the form emailed to you. Certificates will be emailed to you after the conference.

June 5th

8:00 AM **Breakfast:** complimentary breakfast and open expo

9:00 - 10:15 AM **Loggia | Yellow Rm**

Deep Multifamily: A two-part look at the architecture and engineering of a 217-unit affordable housing project in Brooklyn, as it pushes toward net zero. **Crystal Ng & Mark Ginsberg, Curtis + Ginsberg Architects, Elias Dagher, Dagher Engineering**

Keep it Fresh: Ventilation system options and capabilities from Systemair and Zehnder from single-family to complex commercial buildings. **Eric Richards, Systemair, Szabi Fekete, Zehnder**

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Community Built: Grassroots grit, municipal vision, and industry leaders respond to crises of destruction and affordability in Colorado and California. **Karen Ramsey, Building Wellness, LLC, Leo Cheng, Jaime Rodriguez Jr., ResilientHAUS**

Pushing Forward: Operationalize the PHPP and drive building commissioning to meet the mark in new construction and retrofits. **Matthew Bowers, AUROS Group**

10:45 AM - 12:00 PM **Loggia | Yellow Rm**

State of Change: As the Passive House revolution proceeds in Massachusetts, how are the outcomes being felt in the building and utility industries? **Alexander Gard-Murry, Passive House Massachusetts, Paul Ormond, Massachusetts Department of Energy Resources**

More Optimization: High-quality Passive House components and material selection can be an affordable, sustainable catalyst for stronger project delivery for both operational and embodied carbon benefits. **Steve Hessler, Louis Koehl, Handel**

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Step-By-Step: The flexibility of Passive House retrofits with PHI's EnerPHit program is pushed to the limit in Upstate New York and the UK. **Nidhi Shah, RACE-Studio, Buck Moorhead, Buck Moorhead Architect**

Care for Kids: Discover how Passive House can support our children through a school in Washington State & a healing lodge for indigenous youth in British Columbia. **Andrew Peel, Peel Passive House, Mike Fowler, Mithun**

12:00 PM **Lunch, Building Tours & Expo**

1:00 - 2:15 PM **Loggia | Yellow Rm**

Standard Relations: Compare energy standards, models, and results. How difficult is it? What can we do to accelerate the recognition and acceptance of Passive House performance? **Marine Sanchez, RDH, Keith Saechao, Frontier Energy**

Journey of Improvement: Affordable housing improves as Passive House design and delivery improve, with examples in Jamaica, Queens, and across the region. **Brandon Pietras, Bernheimer Architecture, Adam Watson, L&M & Cheryl Saldanha, SGH**

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Pride of Place: A renovated Greek island getaway and a Connecticut home work with constraints of place and provide invigorating and inspiring destinations for living. **George Konaroudis, Ikc, Stas Zakrzewski, ZH Architects**

Middle Matters: While luxury and affordable housing have found their groove, let's track down the "missing middle" and the business case for it. **Hilary Padget & Anthony Harrington, PH Design, Craig Toohy, Collective Carpentry**

2:45 PM **Closing Plenary - Passive House Values:** Science-based performance outcomes continue to develop, while challenging us to transcend and transform the world we act in. **Jessica Grove-Smith, Vanya Chan, PHI, Timothy Lock, OPAL**

4:00 PM **Building Tours & Reception:** Expo Happy Hour and last look at the hotel's systems and components. (Register for building tours prior to the conference.)

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