

# NEWH ROCKY MOUNTAIN CHAPTER

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# Membership Event - Culinary Tour



The 2017 Membership Event was an outstanding success thanks to Justin Cucci, restaurateur and host for the evening, as well as our incredible sponsors! Justin (or JC for short) is the owner and master-mind behind six of Denver's most vibrant and dynamic restaurants, three of which were a part of our exclusive Member's-Only tour.

Attendees met on Thursday evening at the well-known establishment Root Down, the first of the six restaurants that Justin opened in Denver. Here, our host regaled us with his experience converting an old 1950's gas station into a mid-century neighborhood staple. Up-cycled design elements from the old garage as well as eBay and Craigslist are one-of-a-kind gems that create the quirky, unique, and memorable interior.

Our next stop on the walking tour was the wildly popular Denver staple, Linger, located just a few blocks away and housed in an old mortuary. Willing to embrace the building's dark past, Justin paid homage to the 1971 movie Harold and Maude drawing inspiration for a design that embraces a somber, simplistic feel in the main dining area contrasted with a lively upstairs bar highlighted by a one of a kind Lite-Brite bar top.

The rooftop patio is home to a 1975 GMC RV that serves as an additional bar for a large outdoor space all nestled under the iconic "Olinger Mortuary" sign which now reads "Linger Eatuary" - yet another quintessentially Justin Cucci design element.



The tour's final stop was just around the corner at the newest Edible Beets restaurant, El Five. With the feel of a modern day speakeasy of sorts, a small host stand in an understated elevator lobby greets guests as the main entrance. A short elevator ride to the fifth floor provides the only access to this penthouse restaurant where guests are surrounded



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by unobstructed 360-degree views of the city skyline to the east and the mountains to the west. Here, Justin bestowed our private tour group with his wild concept to create a melting pot of all the Mediterranean regions. From original large-scale Middle Eastern posters and geometric mirrors covering the walls, to the distinctly curated Israeli wine list, El Five's eclectic flare was evident! Our Members enjoyed a champagne toast on the patio where they took in the expansive views and spent time gleaning more insights from Justin on his notable approach and success in the Denver restaurant scene.

Following the exclusive tour, an assortment of tapas style bites and specialty cocktails showcased the Edible Beets Team's culinary talents. Both Members and Non-Members joined for an extended evening of networking and a true "foodie" experience.

It was such an honor to learn about the extraordinary vision behind each of our tour stops - Root Down, Linger, and El Five - from Justin Cucci himself. What an unforgettable experience for our Members who attended the exclusive tour, and a treat for everyone who joined us at El Five to enjoy Denver's latest hot spot!

**A sincere THANK YOU to our incredible sponsors!**

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# Maven Hotel Tour



The NEWH Rocky Mountain Chapter flooded the lively public spaces, corridors, and guest-rooms of The Maven Hotel at Dairy Block on July 25th for a highly sought-after tour of one of downtown Denver's newest independent hotels. Guests first gathered at Poka Lola Social Club just inside the hotel's dynamic interiors for a networking Happy Hour to kick off the evening and get a glimpse of the vibrant community feel of the F&B built into the hotel. This boutique bar

and cocktail lounge offers a nod to turn-of-the-century American soda fountain culture with an overall aesthetic and drink menu to support – full of specialty sodas, seasonal ingredients, and crafted cocktails.

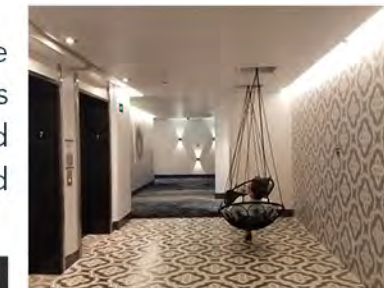
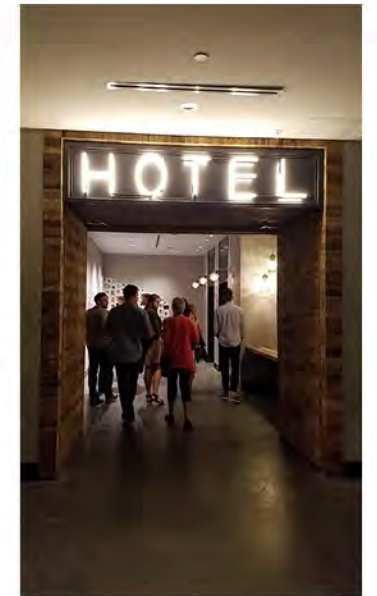
After a bit of networking and appetizers provided by our sponsors, Brintons, three private tour groups then dismissed through the hotel. Each group was graciously lead by one of the JNS team members who worked on the project –


Partners Jim Johnson and Nicole Nathan, and Senior Interior Designer, Blaire Weiser. From the expansive lobby and meeting spaces, unique elevators and corridors, to the thoughtful guest-rooms and suites, our group truly received the insider's peek into the design and project as a whole, directly from the source.

The Maven Hotel is a vibrant new hub of the downtown area offering numerous amenities and a strong emphasis on local community and pedestrian enhancement. The well-executed



design speaks to the "creatively and delight" of the unique hotel concept. And we think it is safe to say that many of us locals will be frequently the craft culture offered here, and even considering a stay-cation as a great excuse to stay and enjoy the accommodations.






**HOSPITALITY FLOORING SOLUTIONS:  
DEEP DELIGHT**

The world has become a polarized place. On one side there are aspects which almost fade into anonymity, while on the other side we see a strong, stand-out-and-be-seen attitude. "Deep delight" is not just a palette of three different colors. It is the color you see between the layers, the gloss versus the matte that creates dimension, patterns that come with textures.


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# Community Service

On September 24th a group met at the Auraria Campus in Denver for the Susan G Komen Race for the Cure in support of those in our tight-knit design community that are currently battling or have battled breast cancer. Several inspirational individuals and their families have been recently affected, and this gathering was centered around showering them with local support. The early Sunday morning was filled with lively celebration and a lot of pink entourage as the NEWH Team banded together for this incredibly meaningful event.

With our generous sponsors our team raised over \$750 for the cause and received donations to make 60 swag bags to hand out for the race. Our sponsors included:  
 Before Race Day, the NEWH Rocky Mountain Chapter hosted a happy hour at Avanti Food and Beverage where swag bags were handed out to

participants and donors in preparation for the race.

In a more intimate setting and with many friends and family surrounding her, Kathy Jackson - Momentum Textiles, bravely shared her very personal journey through breast cancer on behalf of herself and many others who have recently faced similar challenges. A story of courage, determination, support, and acceptance which ultimately culminated in the group celebrating the one-year anniversary of her diagnosis on that night as well as recognizing and honoring the greater Denver design community as well.

Thank you for everyone who supported this special event, through your time, support, swag bag item donations, and race-day participation! You all continue to provide the inspiration, laughter, and friendships that builds our community.



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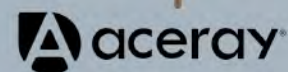
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Congratulations **Christine Nicolaysen** on your new Interior Designer position at Gensler Denver!



Congratulations **Sarah Churchill** on your new position as Project Manager with Martin Stringfellow Associates!



Congratulations **Chelsea Lawrence** on your new position as Construction Manager with Collective Hotels and Retreats!



Congratulations **Gio Diaz** on your new position as Architex Sales Rep!



Congratulations **Christine Anjard** on your new position as Integrated Construction Technician at GE Johnson Construction Company!



# Coming Events!

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Join NEWH in collaboration with IIDA, ASID and CIDC for the  
6th annual Student Speed Mentoring.  
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