

## AIA Peconic gets charter



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The American Institute of Architects has 298 components both nationally and internationally. Last week, members of the AIA Peconic Chapter gathered at Pierre's in Bridgehampton to celebrate becoming the newest.

Three years ago, a group of North and South fork architects decided to separate from the Long Island Chapter of the AIA and form an organization that would specifically address the needs of their community, clientele and membership. They transformed the East End Section of the AIA Long Island Chapter into

AIA Peconic, a provisional component of The American Institute of Architects.

AIA Peconic was honored with a full component charter on June 12. National AIA Vice President Peter Arsenault, AIA, current AIA New York State President Orlando Maione, AIA, AIANYS Immediate Past President Russell Davidson, AIA and AIANYS Executive Director Edward Farrell were in attendance to make the presentation to more than 60 AIA Peconic members and guests. Mr. Arsenault presented current AIA Peconic President Ian McDonald, AIA, with the new charter and complimented AIA Peconic and acknowledged its achievements over the past three years. During the evening, the AIA and AIANYS guests offered their combined congratulations to the AIA Peconic Board and membership and outlined the support that the national and state organization provides to all members.

"AIA Peconic should be proud for the efforts they have made over the last three years," National AIA Secretary David R. Proffitt said via a statement he sent to the gathering in his absence. "Reviewing your programs and events and knowing the general camaraderie of your members sets the AIA Peconic on track to be an example of how new startup chapters should be modeled. With that I wish the chapter well."

AIA Peconic is comprised of 103 Architects, 11 associate architects and 22 allied members. For more information, visit the website [www.aiapeconic.org](http://www.aiapeconic.org) or contact Executive Director Kay Jones at (631) 728-7832.