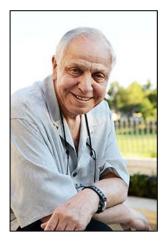


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## *Joel D. Bergman, AIA* Bergman, Walls & Associates Chairman

Joel D. Bergman is a celebrated Architect and the Co-Founder and Chairman of Bergman, Walls & Associates in Las Vegas. He is recognized worldwide as a leader in entertainment and casino resort design. For more than 48 years he has been intimately involved in the design, planning and programming of projects throughout Nevada, the US and internationally. He has brought exciting, innovative design to all forms of entertainment architecture ranging from boutique retail venues to large scale mixed-use resorts. Joel is particularly well known for themed projects including Paris Las

Vegas and Caesars Palace Las Vegas. He and his projects have won numerous awards and he received the prestigious Sarno Lifetime Achievement Award for Casino Design in 2006 and was inducted into the UNLV Artists and Entertainers Hall of Fame in 2013.

Joel received his Bachelor of Science degree in Architecture, Cum Laude, from the University of Southern California, Los Angeles, in 1965 and was nominated to Tau Sigma Delta National Honor Society in Architecture.

Prior to founding BWA in 1994, Joel worked 16 years exclusively for Steve Wynn and The Mirage Resorts. Before that, he worked with Martin Stern and Associates for 10 years. Joel is currently mentoring colleagues as he stays involved in design, programming and planning of current BWA projects. His sons, Leonard and George, now carry on the legacy at BWA as they have expanded the Interiors Division and established 3 additional full service offices in Asia and the US.

A patron of the arts and our community, Joel and BWA have long supported Keep Memory Alive, American Heart Association, UNLV Foundation, Boystown, Golden Rainbow, Shade Tree Shelter and the Leukemia and Lymphoma, among others.

His early work included educational facilities, luxury homes and over a dozen churches in Southern California, where he was born and raised. It appears that many more people are seen and heard praying in his Casinos than ever in his churches.

Joel has appeared on television and radio, been quoted in the print media and spoken before architectural, engineering and academic groups, as well as participating in gaming symposiums. He travels extensively and spends as much time fishing in either fresh or salt water as possible. He currently resides in Spanish Trail with his wife Valentina Bogdanova Bergman.

A lifetime of experiences is being documented as Joel is writing his memoirs; with an emphasis on the fantastic 46 years he has spent designing entertainment and casino venues. The people he has met, the changes he has helped create and the life he has been fortunate to live will be memorialized.