CHSA is honored to host several prominent builders and designers for the We Built Seattle presentation and panel discussion. The distinguished guests all boast a lifetime of important work in the Pacific Northwest, creating everything from the utilities and infrastructure underground to the soaring skyscrapers overhead. Each guest has held leadership roles in legacy firms that continue in operation today, giving them a unique perspective on both the past and the future of construction in the Northwest. Our event will include individual presentations of their firms’ work with an open discussion to follow.

**Moderator**

**Len Holm**

**Senior Lecturer, Construction Management, University of Washington**

Len worked his way through college as a journeyman carpenter which served him well later in his career when he and Jane designed and built several speculative homes on Whidbey Island. They continue to represent clients on high-end residential construction projects. Len received bachelor degrees in both Building Construction and Economics, and a Master’s degree in Construction Management, all from the University of Washington. Len spent the early 1980’s with Bechtel, one of the world’s largest engineering and construction firms and ten years with Baugh Construction Company (now Skanska) in Seattle as a senior project manager, particularly in the high-technology and medical arenas. Len founded Holm Construction Services in 1994. In the last 23 years construction consumers, designers, realtors, attorneys, financial institutions, and general contractors have benefited from this assistance on residential, commercial, and industrial projects. Len has taught at the University of Washington since 1993, courses include estimating, planning and scheduling, productivity and controls, contract documents, real estate development, project management, construction history, construction leadership. He conducts in-house training seminars for private construction firms, clients, and associations. Len has authored ten books on project management, estimating, and dispute resolution which receive world-wide popularity. He has been active in Cost Engineering and the Disputes Resolution Board Foundation and has served as a member on DRBs for major projects such as the University of Washington’s indoor practice facility.

**Introductory Remarks**

**Dean John Schaufelberger, PhD, PE, College of Built Environments, University of Washington**

Panelists

Terry Deeny, Chairman Emeritus; Deeny Construction Company, Inc.
My career started when I was nine years old. I spent my Saturday mornings dusting, mopping and emptying waste baskets at the tiny office while Dad caught up on paperwork. I laid pipe during school breaks. Deeny Construction has laid many miles of pipe at Boeing and the University of Washington over the last 79 years as well as the whole Puget Sound area. I served as President of AGC of Washington and ACC of America. In 2000 my son, Jon, took the reins, and my license plate changed from I DIG to DUNDIGN. I am involved in several charities as well both the local and national AGC Education Foundations. I also have devoted many years to the Construction Management program at the U of W. I enjoy WONDERFUL time with my grandchildren AND also as much time as possible holding a fly rod in my left hand. My grandson Patrick arrived at Deeny Construction on St Patrick’s Day 2014 (which we celebrate heartily). He has taken to our construction world like a magnet to steel. He has been a huge help in the completion of the book I’ve been writing - I would never have finished it without his help. Life is good!

John Holmes, Executive Vice President; Manson Construction Co.
John has spent his entire 40 year career in the heavy civil marine construction and dredging industry with Manson Construction. He started as a laborer in Manson’s Seattle equipment yard working summers during college. After receiving a degree in Civil Engineering and an MBA from the University of Washington he began working full time at Manson as an engineer and estimator. In his time with Manson he has seen the company grow from a family-owned northwest marine construction company to an employee-owned marine/dredging contractor with operations on the West, Gulf and East coasts. During that time, Manson has assembled one of the largest marine equipment fleets in the U.S. John works closely with Manson’s joint venture partners on large marine infrastructure work but stays involved with most of Manson’s projects including those in the Northwest.

Jim Crutcher, Chairman Emeritus; Lease Crutcher Lewis
Jim Crutcher joined his father-in-law at Lease Company in 1957, a company founded in Great Falls, Montana in 1886, and has held many different positions over the years. He started working in the estimating department and moved to the field as a project engineer at Lincoln High School. He became president in 1983. He has been very active with the AGC, serving as president of the AGC of Washington, president of the AGC Education Foundation, and member of the National AGC Executive Committee. There have been many changes over the years: in the early days, all the work was lump sum competitive bid; there were no copy machines or computers, only slide rules and adding machines. There have been interesting ownership changes from a sole proprietorship to a partnership and now an ESOP. Jim enjoys being part of a wonderful changing industry that continues to participate in the growth of our community.

Rick Redman, Chairman Emeritus; Sellen Construction
Rick Redman was born in Portland, Oregon, and was raised in Bethesda, Maryland, prior to moving to Seattle in 1957. He received his degree in Business Administration from the University of Washington in 1965. After a distinguished football career at the University of Washington and nine years in the NFL, Rick joined his stepfather, John Sellen, at Sellen Construction in 1975 as the director of marketing. He was named president and chief operating officer in 1982; chief executive officer in 1988; chairman of the board in 1993; and chairman emeritus in 2008. Rick has served as officer and board member of many community and professional organizations in the Puget Sound over the years, including United Way, the US Bank Community Board, the Downtown Seattle Association, the University of Washington Alumni Association, Safe Crossings Foundation, the Pacific Northwest Ballet and the Washington Athletic Club.

William Bain, Jr., FAIA, RIBA, JIA; Consulting Partner, NBBJ
Bill Bain believes that each project, whatever its size and program, has a unique story expressed in its design. Strong visioning skills and an ability to listen to a client’s priorities and objectives allow Bill to translate those needs and requirements into responsive design. He is widely regarded as a leader in enhancing Seattle's urban character - allowing it to be 'owned' by its citizens. A graduate of Cornell University - where he studied under Philip Johnson, Buckminster Fuller, Paul Rudolph and Aldo Giurgola - Bill is also a recipient of the York Prize and Charles Goodwin Sands Memorial Medal. After active duty with the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, he joined the nascent firm of NBBJ, which was cofounded by his father. Described by his colleagues as “the heart and soul of NBBJ,” Bill has led or designed many of NBBJ’s most acclaimed projects. Past president of both the Seattle Chapter and the Washington State Council of the American Institute of Architects, he has lectured or taught design at Cornell, NYU, Harvard, University of Washington, Washington State University, and the Technology Transfer Institute of Japan. He is also a former president of the Seattle Symphony Orchestra, past chairman of the Downtown Seattle Association, and was recognized as a Most Distinguished Alumnus of the Lakeside School. He has received the AIA Seattle Chapter Medal, the AIA Northwest and Pacific Region Medal of Honor and the Robert Filley, Jr. Award for Excellence.