The 2014 Fazlur R. Khan Distinguished Lecture Series Speakers have been announced, including an expansive range of topics that will include the transformation of building design to withstand earthquakes, achieving the "impossible dreams" of building design and the rebirth of an industry through new technologies and innovation.

The talks will take place throughout the Spring 2014 semester, beginning on Friday, February 21, 2014 with James R. Harris, founding member of J.R. Harris & Company. Harris will present "The Evolution of Building Design to Resist Earthquakes."

On Friday, March 21, 2014, Jon B. Magnusson, Senior Principal at Magnusson Klemencic Associates, will present the lecture "Structure Becoming Architecture: Case Studies of Aesthetics, Form, and Efficiency."

Charles H. Thornton, Chairman of Charles H. Thornton & Company, LLC, will present the final lecture on Friday, April 11, entitled "Renaissance, Rebirth and Disruptive Innovation."

All presentations will be held at Lehigh University's Sinclair Lab Auditorium.

The FRK Distinguished Lecture Series is co-sponsored by the Departments of Civil & Environmental Engineering and Art, Architecture & Design. The event is held in honor of Dr. Fazlur Rahman Khan and his legacy of excellence in structural engineering and architecture.

The FRK Lecture Series was initiated and organized by Dan M. Frangopol, the first holder of Lehigh's Fazlur Rahman Khan Endowed Chair of Structural Engineering and Architecture.
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