

## – 2018 Keynote Presentation –

### **Material Transparency, Health and Wellness and Biophilia**

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#### **ABSTRACT**

The presentation explains the concept of health and wellness in built environment, why it's important and the various methods such as biophilic design that can be used towards achieving it. The presentation also discusses how various standards and organizations such as the Living Building Challenge, LEED v4, the WELL Building Standard are applying health and wellness . We will also look into the driving factors in built environment that are changing the nature of how we design spaces. The presentation will cover through case studies applications of biophilic design in different segments such as education, workplace, retail, healthcare, etc.

#### **BIOGRAPHY**

George Bandy, Jr. serves as vice president of sustainability for Mohawk Group, a leading commercial flooring company known for cutting-edge and innovative flooring solutions. George is responsible for managing the comprehensive concepts and practices of sustainability for Mohawk. He identifies opportunities to position environmental, economic and socially responsible solutions for both the organization and its customers so that, together, they can demonstrate the type of sustainability leadership that will result in a brighter future for us all.