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A Close Encounter with Three Challenging Projects: Disney Concert Hall, UCLA Knudsen Hall, and Eiffel Tower II

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Dr. Farzad Naeim is the Founder and Director of the Research and Development department at John A. Martin & Associates. Under his direction, the department has earned a national reputation for state of the art engineering and computer technologies. Since 1984, the department has been awarded many grants from agencies including FEMA and EERI. Dr. Naeim has also been selected by the State of California’s Office of Strategic Technology to develop the first multimedia earthquake encyclopedia.

Dr. Naeim has numerous publications and books to his credit, including “Design of Structures with Base Isolation and Energy Dissipation” and “Seismic Design Handbook”, which is considered a standard textbook in this subject. In addition, he has helped to develop several proprietary software programs for seismic design and evaluation. He is the recipient of several awards including the ‘Outstanding 1995 Journal Paper Award’, the ‘Outstanding President Award’ from the Los Angeles Tall Buildings Design Council and the ‘1993 FEMA/EERI NEHRP Professional Fellowship Award’.

As a nationally recognized authority on non-linear analysis and evaluation of design ground motions, Dr. Naeim has led several projects in seismic design and base isolation. Included among his achievements is Royce Hall at UCLA, which won the SEAOC Superior Structural Engineering Excellence Award in 1996. He has served on numerous technical committees and is developing the first electronic edition of the Uniform Building Code.

All interested faculty, students are invited.