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EDUCATION & PROFESSIONAL REGISTRATION:

Georgia Institute of Technology. Master of Architecture 1990.
Thesis: A Path to Heidegger's "Releasement" in Architectural Design.

Emory University. BA in Humanities 1973.

Registered Architect in Alabama and Georgia with NCARB certification.
LEED Accredited Professional Building Design and Construction (LEED AP BD + C)
Member of the American Institute of Architects

TEACHING EXPERIENCE:

Tuskegee University Department of Architecture – Tuskegee, AL
Assistant Professor. Fall 2005 to present.

Courses taught:

Second Year architecture design studio, 10 semesters
Third Year architecture design studio, 9 semesters
Fourth Year, architecture design studio, 2 semesters
Fifth Year architecture design studio, 2 semesters
Theory of Architecture lecture course, 10 semesters
Materials of Construction lecture course, 4 semesters
Sustainable Design lecture course, 6 semesters
Global Perspectives lecture & travel course, 4 semesters

Tuskegee University Department of Architecture – Tuskegee, AL.
Instructor. Fall 1991 to Spring 1993

Courses taught:

First Year architecture design studio, 3 semesters
Fifth Year architecture design studio, 1 semester
People and the Environment lecture course, 1 semester
Materials of Construction, 2 semesters

Georgia Tech College of Architecture – Atlanta, GA.
1989-90. Graduate teaching assistant in freshman design studios.

Guest Studio Critic- Clemson University, Georgia Tech

PUBLICATIONS & EXHIBITIONS:

Collaborated with Professor Rod Fluker to design and construct, with student participation, a piece entitled "Street Cred" for the "Couched Constructions" exhibit, held at the Herron School of Art gallery at IUPUI, Indianapolis, IN from March 2 through April 19, 2012.

Designing with Models, by Criss Mills (John Wiley & Sons, 3rd Edition, 2011)
Includes my graduate school thesis model as well as a model for a competition entry.

Leftover Rightunder: Finding Architectural Potential in Found Materials, By Wes Janz (Half Letter Press, 2013): Includes photo of an art installation piece entitled “Street Cred” designed and constructed by Tuskegee Professors. Rod Fluker and Jack Ames

Tree Houses: Living a Dream, by Alejandro Bahamon (Harper Design, 2005)

The book features “Tree Tectonics”, a tree house designed and built by Urban Studio for a competition/ exhibit at the Atlanta Botanical Gardens in 2003.

Project team member for John Hejduk’s “House of the Suicide”, constructed by Georgia Tech students in 1989 and included in the Whitney Museum exhibit “Sanctuaries, The Last Works of John Hejduk”, 2002.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE:

Urban Studio, Inc. – Atlanta, Georgia. Mixed Use, Educational and Residential projects. Principal and Project architect. From 2000 to 2009

Baxter Street Lofts – Athens, GA

New 24,000 SF residential/retail mixed use project completed 2008. Designer, project architect, project team leader. Oversaw and contributed to schematic design through construction documents, wrote the specifications and did construction administration. Project realized with BIM software.

Heery International – Atlanta, Georgia. Institutional and Sports projects. Project architect. From November 1997 to 2005.

Mountaineer Soccer Stadium – West Virginia University.

New 1800 seat soccer stadium with locker rooms, press box and concessions concourse. Project architect charged with completing programming and schematic design submittals and producing construction documents.

Erwin Center Basketball Practice Facility – University of Texas at Austin.

Renovation of 17,000 seat arena with additions. Project team leader responsible for programming, design, construction documents, and construction administration.

Georgia World Congress Expansion – Phase 4.

Member of Heery / TVS project team during construction documentation and construction administration phases.

Ranger Regimental Headquarters – Fort Benning Georgia.

New national headquarters building. Project architect during construction document phase.

Concessions Building at Cemetery Field Park – Atlanta, Georgia.

New concessions and service building for a small public football field. Responsible for design, construction documents, construction administration.

Bertha C Boschulte Middle School - US Virgin Islands.

New middle school for 800 students. Responsible for schematic design and design development.

Chambless & Associates - Montgomery, Alabama. Governmental and Educational projects. Project architect. From September 1995 to November 1997.

Wilmore Engineering Laboratory Building - Auburn University.

Renovation of 65,000 SF building to house research labs for four engineering departments. Design and production team member.

Atlanta Public Schools - Atlanta, Georgia

Renovation of three elementary schools including additions. Project architect from design development phase through bid documents.

Brewton Municipal Complex - Brewton, Alabama.

Conversion of an existing armory building into a multi-use facility. Project architect from 60% contract documents to completion.

The Butner Architectural Group - Montgomery, Alabama.

Commercial, Governmental, Retail projects. Intern architect. Part-time from September 1991 to May 1993. Full-time from June 1993 to August 1995.

Marion State Fish Hatchery - Marion, Alabama.

Renovation of existing buildings and addition of a new storage/maintenance building. Responsible for programming, schematic design, cost estimate, outline specifications, construction documents and construction administration.

OTHER PROJECTS:

Villa Campolucci. Schematic design and construction drawings for a 2,000 SF lake house and companion boat house. Construction completed in 1994.

"Herod." A new demountable stage set for a yearly liturgical drama presented by the Atlanta Camerata. Built in 1991.

OTHER EXPERIENCE:

Piano Tuner/Technician. Specialized in grand piano restoration and apprentice training.

Musician/Composer. Performed in southeastern music clubs and concert halls.

Actor/Company Member of Kelly's Seed and Feed Theatre. Atlanta, Georgia. Performed lead and supporting roles. Composed music for plays

SOFTWARE SKILLS:

MS Office Suite, AutoCAD, Sketchup, Photoshop, Illustrator, Revit, Green Building Studio, Rhino and Grasshopper

LANGUAGES & TRAVEL:

Proficient in written and spoken French.

Traveled extensively in the United States, western Canada and Quebec, including a 3 month cross country motorcycle tour of the western US, British Columbia and Alaska.

Traveled in Portugal, Spain, France, Italy and Austria. Repeated visits to France with sojourns to several cities and regions there.

10 day visit to Freetown, Sierra Leone (West Africa) and environs.

REFERENCES:

Don Armstrong, Associate Professor and Architecture Program Coordinator, Tuskegee Department of Architecture. dearmstrong@tuskegee.edu

Sharon Tsepas, President, Urban Studio, Inc. sharon_tsepas@urbanstudio.us

Jim Williamson, Visiting Associate Professor and M.Arch. Program Coordinator, Cornell University Department of Architecture. jpw28@cornell.edu