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Skill Set:
Adobe Creative Suite
AutoCAD 2002-2009
Corel Painter X
SketchUp + Vray
Microsoft Office
Land FX
MColor

PROFILE

Recent graduate of the Colorado State University undergraduate landscape architecture degree program with diverse background, vast skill set, and passion for design.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

- JIM SELL DESIGN JUNE 2008-PRESENT
Designer Fort Collins, CO
Worked closely with landscape architects, engineers, and consultants on a wide range of projects focusing primarily on site design, community planning, and environmental graphics.
- DESIGN WORKSHOP JUNE 2007-JANUARY 2008
Intern Landscape Designer Denver, CO
Carried through production and design tasks both within the office and remotely. Responsible for completing production work on schedule while working out of home.
- EDAW | AECOM SEPTEMBER 2006-MAY 2007
Intern Landscape Designer Fort Collins, CO
Participated on all aspects of project development from schematic design through contract documents. Gained exposure to international projects and working office environment.
- CSU FACILITIES DESIGN MAY 2006-SEPTEMBER 2006
Student Landscape Architect Fort Collins, CO
Employed in the student design department under direct supervision of campus landscape architect. Assisted with development and documentation of Lory Student Center plaza.
- NATIVE EDGE ASSOCIATES MAY 2005-SEPTEMBER 2005
Landscape Designer Boulder, CO
Designer and project manager for high-end residential gardens. Responsibilities included material allocation, budgeting, estimating, design, and client interaction.
- TERRA FIRMA LANDSCAPE OCTOBER 2003-SEPTEMBER 2005
Owner/Operator Boulder, CO
Managed, designed, and constructed a variety of small scale residential projects from the ground up. Designed my own contracts and marketing materials on a limited budget.

EDUCATION

- COLORADO STATE UNIVERSITY 2005-2009
BS Landscape Architecture Fort Collins, CO
- WESTWOOD TECHNICAL COLLEGE 2002-2004
AS Architectural Drafting Denver, CO

AWARDS

- WAYNE GRACE MEMORIAL STUDENT DESIGN COMPETITION
2007 Runner-Up Award
Project: Denargo Market | Cultivating Community
- FORT COLLINS URBAN DESIGN AWARDS
2007 Student Honor Award
Project: AEI Colorado Welcome Center

HONORS AND PUBLICATIONS

- "Drawing In A Digital Age" Spring 2009
Seminar by James Richards, Principal: Townscape, Austin, TX
Featured digital diagrams and illustrations to support seminar presentation on design drawing and graphics for design students and professionals.
- Teaching Assistant | LAND 240 Spring 2009
LAND 240 Seminar on the Designed Landscape, Professor: Christine Dianni, CSU
Served as lecturer on perspective sketching and digital illustration with emphasis on design ideation and process.

*"Imagination can often
carry us to worlds that
never were. But without
it we go nowhere."*

-Carl Sagan

CHARETTE EXPERIENCE

Return to The River Summer 2007
Summer Intern Program, Design Workshop, Asheville, NC
One of sixteen students selected from more than 300 international applicants to participate in a 10-day design charette focusing on the redevelopment of the French Broad River.

Steamboat 700 Spring 2007
Selected along with one other CSU student to assist in a 3-day charette focused on the preliminary design for a new 700 acre housing community in the town of Steamboat Springs, Colorado.

REFERENCES

Brad Goetz Colorado State University
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Joe McGrane Colorado State University
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Fred Haberecht RLA CSU Facilities Management
Campus Landscape Architect
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Earen Russell EDAW | AECOM/ CSU
Landscape Architect/ Adjunct Professor
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PERSONAL INTERESTS

I am passionate about skiing and mountain biking with a penchant for adventure and exploration in all activities. Growing up in Maine, I was introduced to skiing at the age of nine and have consistently logged over 40 days each season. I had the opportunity of spending several winters coaching and instructing as well.

In 2005, I was recruited by Gould Academy to assist in coaching the schools freestyle team. I have also spent several seasons instructing beginner through expert level skiers. In the summer I spend weekends camping in the backcountry and ski touring through remote alpine environments. When I'm not outdoors, I am typically found reading everything from Carl Sagan to Jon Krakauer or drawing in my sketchbook.

I look forward to bringing my passion for art and design coupled with an inquisitive spirit to your office.

*"The secret to creativity
is knowing how to hide
your sources."*

-ALBERT EINSTEIN