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Education

M.L.A. Landscape Architecture

University of Maryland

05/2017

College Park, MD

Thesis: "Wild to Wildscape: Designing the Urban Wild"

Researched spontaneously-vegetated urban 'wastelands' and bridged art and ecology in designing an urban railroad right-of-way to retain site history and wildness and allow for user contributions.

M.A. Ecological Landscape Design

The Conway School

06/2013

Conway, MA

Attended a 10-month hands-on program focused on ecological whole-systems design, collaboratively managed real projects in student teams, and presented weekly project updates.

B.A. Environmental Studies & Creative Writing

Oberlin College

05/2009

Oberlin, OH

Developed a strong background in science and creative and professional writing. Experienced in consensus-based decision-making as student cooperative member holding elected positions.



Experience

Landscape Architectural Detailer/Drafter

Landis Garden Design/ Everett Garden Design

08/2017 - current

Chevy Chase, DC

- Prepare all AutoCAD design and construction drawings for two small design-build firms.
- Develop construction detail drawings that comply with design intent and code regulations in collaboration with engineers, lighting designers, masons, and other professionals.
- Perform site grading calculations and plans.
- Conduct existing conditions surveys and take site measurements.
- Research materials for use in specific project details.

Community Forestry Intern

Neighborhood Design Center

09/2015 - 01/2017

Hyattsville, MD

- Designed planting plans for tough sites at public schools in order to provide outdoor learning opportunities, beautification, and increased native plant cover.
- Developed infographics to clearly explain the process of applying for grant programs to the public.
- Created a stormwater management concept plan for a local Department of Public Works.

Landscape Architecture Intern

Joni L. Janecki & Associates

06/2016 - 08/2016

Santa Cruz, CA

- Edited redlined AutoCAD drawings including planting plans and construction documents.
- Created detailed 3d Sketchup models in order to present client with alternative concepts.
- Produced graphics including renderings, site analyses, presentation boards.
- Organized and researched product samples and updated database with photographs.
- Collaborated with all designers and assisted as needed on project work.



Experience, Continued

Summer Intern

Landscape Architecture Foundation

06/2015 - 08/2015

Washington, DC

- Edited guidebook detailing metrics and methods used to evaluate landscape performance.
- Critiqued case study research methods and corrected logical, numerical, and grammatical errors.
- Distilled findings from academic papers into "fast facts" on the benefits of landscape architecture.

Fellow, Rivers, Trails, & Conservation Assistance Program

National Park Service / Americorps

01/2014 - 12/2014

Washington, DC

- Provided technical assistance and outreach to community groups and park units in order to create and improve parks and trails.
- Developed and launched a public space/public life study on the use of Meridian Hill Park and suggested design and management improvements.
- Analyzed GIS data and provided technical support for projects.
- Created an illustrated hiker's guide for the Civil War Defenses of Washington trail.



Field Experience

Gardener

Seasonal 2012

- Planted, weeded, pruned, and watered over 150 northeastern perennial and woody plant species in high-end residential gardens.

Farm Apprentice

Seasonal 2010 and 2011

- Learned greenhouse propagation, cultivation, harvest, and farm marketing techniques.

Youth Trail Crew Leader

Summer 2006 and 2007

- Directed backcountry trail construction projects in order to protect national forest resources.
- Co-supervised and motivated groups of 10 teenage volunteers in 1-2-week residential sessions.
- Delegated responsibility and adopted flexible management style in challenging conditions.



Skills

Indesign	●●●●●●●●	ESRI ArcGIS	●●●●●●●●	Writing	●●●●●●●●
Illustrator	●●●●●●●●	Rhino	●●●●●●●●	Editing Content	●●●●●●●●
Photoshop	●●●●●●●●	Grasshopper	●●●●●●●●	Editing Text	●●●●●●●●
AutoCAD	●●●●●●●●	Word	●●●●●●●●	Graphic Design	●●●●●●●●
Sketchup	●●●●●●●●	Powerpoint	●●●●●●●●	HTML and CSS	●●●●●●●●



Affiliations

American Society of Landscape Architects	2015 - current
Society for Ecological Restoration	2017 - current
Ecological Landscaping Association	2017 - current