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experience

Ypsilanti Planning Commission, Ypsilanti, MI 2011-Present
Commissioner

- Sustainability expert for city planning development.

Ypsilanti Environmental Showcase (YES!), Ypsilanti, MI 2010-Present
Founder and Director

- Developer of sustainable design demonstration center.
- Facilitate acquisition of innovative materials for historical renovation projects.

Energy Works Michigan, nonprofit affiliate of the Ecology Center, Ann Arbor, MI 2009-Present
Project Coordinator and Marketing Manager

- Primary communicator with 150 school superintendents, facilities supervisors, teachers, and students. Includes managing application process, facilitating successful completion energy audits and renewable energy installations, and coordinating press events.
- Marketing manager in charge of media planning, website development, database design; social media, including several student film and essay contests using YouTube and Facebook.
- Designing in house graphics for all brochures, web, and marketing materials, including published Energy Works Michigan Lesson Plan binders.
- Renewable Energy Program management including generating RFPs, reviewing bids, writing contracts, reviewing applications for payment from contractors, evaluation & reporting.

Daniels & Zermack Associates, Inc., Ann Arbor, MI 2002-2004; 2006-2009
Architect

- LEED Accredited Professional managing construction & certification of 4-story MSUFCU headquarters building; responsible for assessing LEED point options, coordinating with contractors, documenting and reporting LEED credits, and developng LEED sign graphics.
- Interact with clients/suppliers regularly on topics such as anticipated future uses, product research, bidding and negotiations, and construction management as part of "full service design firm."
- Designed and managed construction of a retail branch for the University of Michigan Federal Credit Union, Michigan Union Branch, including schematic design, materials research, and construction documents.
- Provided design input on large branch offices for regional financial institutions.

A3C Ann Arbor Architects Collaborative, Ann Arbor, MI October 2008 - February 2009

- Consultant for local firm working on LEED school project, sustainable lease space build-out for web company; and bank remodel project.
- Project Manager for sustainable interior with fast track schedule, low budget, and modern esthetic.
- Researched and explained options for solar panels, green roof types; developed details; developed phasing plan for school project.

Seedhousing, Lansing, MI 2007
• Consultant for start-up company focusing on two prototypes for affordable, sustainable homes.

Solar Decathlon Student Design-Build Competition 2004-2005
• Award winning team leader, provided design & construction for an 800 s.f. solar-powered, modular home.

education

The University of Texas at Austin, School of Architecture 2006
Master of Architecture with Sustainable Emphasis

The University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, Taubman College of Architecture and Urban Planning 2002
Bachelor of Science in Architecture

awards, accreditations, and technical skills

LEED A.P.; LEED Gold project award 2008; 3rd Place, Solar Decathlon Contest; Urban Land Institute 2005 Cogburn Family Foundation's Architecture and Urbanism Prize; EIA Process Familiarity; RFP/RFQ/Application writing; AutoCAD 2000-2009; Arris CAD; SketchUp; Adobe Photoshop; Illustrator ; InDesign; Portrait Artist.

activities & interests

USGBC Green Schools Committee member, SouthEast Michigan Sustainable Business Forum (SEMSBF), Intensive Workshop Presenter, MWMF, 2006-2010; SELMA volunteer; Organic gardening; Medal Winner Honolulu Marathon for Leukemia & Lymphoma Society; Ultimate Frisbee League Captain; Vintage Volkswagen Club; International Travel in Slovakia, Czech Republic, Austria, Germany, Switzerland.

