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University of Massachusetts, Amherst, Massachusetts

Masters Degree, Regional Planning, September, 2006

West Virginia University, Morgantown, WV

Bachelors Degree, Journalism, June, 2000

SELECTED WORK EXPERIENCE

Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Cambridge, MA

Media Lab Research Fellow, May 2014–Present

- Design and implement educational public & institutional permaculture projects (Lee Street Forest Garden, PARK(ing) Day)
- Experience working across disciplines with engineers, architects, educators, artists and computer scientists

Mobile Design Lab, Holyoke, MA

Founder, Director, 2008–Present

- Permaculture design/build with a focus on public and participatory design (Montview Neighborhood Farm, Holyoke Alleyway Project, Wendell Food Forest)
- Facilitating design charrettes, working with multiple stakeholders

University of Massachusetts, Amherst, MA

Stockbridge School of Agriculture, 2010–Present

Lecturer

- STOCK SCK 197 Introduction to Permaculture
- STOCK SCK 297 Permaculture Design and Practice

Yestermorrow Design /Build School, Warren, VT

Instructor, 2007–Present

Designed curriculum and instruct intensive weekend and week–long design/build courses on Permaculture Design, Edible Forest Gardens, Ecological Design and the Built Environment and Farm Design

- Assisted in the development of the 3–week CORE class that is required for the Sustainable Building and Design Program
- Practicum Advisor for students in the Sustainable Building and Design Certificate program

SELECTED GUEST LECTURES AND CONFERENCES

Yestermorrow Design/Build School, Warren, VT

Participatory Design: The art of organized chaos, 2013

Northeast Regional Permaculture Conference, Boston, MA

Keynote Speaker, 2011

University of Vermont, Burlington, VT

Guest Lecturer, PSS/ ENVS 156, Spring 2009, Spring and Fall 2010

- Lecture: Participatory Design Process, Montview Neighborhood Farm, Permaculture Businesses models
- Guided Students through a Site Analysis and Assessment for the Burlington Co–Housing Community

R.U.S.T Urban Sustainability Training, Albany New York

Guest Lecture and Design Installation October 2010, 2012, 2013

- Permaculture Business Models
- Swales
- No till systems
- Urban soil repair

Wesleyan University, Middletown, CN

- Guest Presenter, Permaculture Fundamentals, Social Justice Leadership Conference, 2010

Mount Holyoke College, South Hadley, MA

- Guest Presenter, Food Security, Youth Media Summit, 2010

Northeast Permaculture Convergence, Montpelier, VT

- **Guest Presenter**, Using Ecological Systems to Design Business Models, Summer 2009

Northeast Permaculture Convergence, Holyoke, MA

- Guest Presenter, Social Permaculture, Summer 2008

Northeast Organic Farming Association, Summer Conference, Amherst, MA

- Permaculture fundamentals
- Site Analysis and Assessment
- Rainwater Harvesting
- Farming without fossil fuels

University of Massachusetts, Amherst, MA

- Guest Lecture, Regional Planning Department, Sustainable Communities, Spring 2005
- Guest Design Critic, Architecture, 2012
- Guest Lecture, Landscape Architecture, Green Infrastructure and Permaculture Fall and Spring 2013/2014
- Zube Guest Lecture Series, Panelist Permaculture and Regional Planning, Spring 2012

CERTIFICATIONS AND TRAINING

2013 Social Ecology, Institute of Social Ecology, Northampton, MA

2012 Landscape Graphics, Yestermorrow, Warren, VT
 Model Making, Yestermorrow, Warren, VT
 Drafting by Hand, Yestermorrow, Warren VT

2011 Solar Design, Yestermorrow, Warren, VT

2009 Small Home Design, Yestermorrow, Warren, VT
 Renovation Carpentry, Yestermorrow, Warren, VT
 Rain Garden Design/Build, Yestermorrow, Warren, VT

2008 Urban Permaculture Guild, Teachers Training, Big Sur, CA

2008 Undoing Racism, Peoples Institute, Springfield, MA

- 2006** Urban Sustainability Training, Albany, NY
- 2005** Urban Sustainability Training, Austin, TX
New Orleans Flood Relief, New Orleans, LA
- 2003** Permaculture Design Course, Shutesbury, MA
Teaching Apprenticeship
- 2001** Earth Activist Training, Sonoma County, CA
Permaculture Design Certificate
I'Jatz Food Forest and Permaculture Demonstration Site, San
Lucas Toliman, Guatemala

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

- **Board Member**, Ward Three Neighborhood Association, www.wardthree.com/2007-2010
- **Chair, Traffic Calming Committee**, Ward Three Neighborhood Association, 2007-2010
- **Chair**, City of Northampton, Ad- Hoc Committee for Best Practices in Northampton Decision Making, www.northamptonma.gov/bestpractices/ 2007-2009
- **Host**, Valley Free Radio, 103.3, Once Upon a Time, Local History Show, 2006-2008