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## EDUCATION

**Cornell University Masters in Landscape Architecture II 2010** magna cum laude

**Concentration:** Human Ecology

**Thesis:** "Learning from the First Wave of New Urbanist Developments: A Post Occupancy Evaluation of the Parks and Open Space System at Lowry, Colorado"

**Committee Members:** Prof. Paula Horrigan (DLA), Prof. Ann Forsyth (CRP) and Prof. Gary Evans (DEA)

**Clemson University BLA 2001** magna cum laude with honors

**Thesis:** "A Rebuilding Strategy for Santiago Texacuangos" \_Master plan and strategies for the safe and adequate reconstruction of the town, its residential areas, plaza, market & sports arena after three consecutive earthquakes.

**Team Members:** Andrew Bleckley . founder & owner Cite Design, VA and Jason Smit . Arbor Engineering, SC

**Committee Chair:** Prof. Umit Yilmaz (UGA)

## EXPERIENCE

### ACADEMIC

#### Visiting Lecturer

Fall 2022 & 2021 | Cornell University Department of City & Regional Planning | course taught: Graphic Communication, Introduction to Planning Graphics

#### Volunteer Lecturer

Fall 2016,17,18,19, and 20 | Cornell University Department of City & Regional Planning co-teaching Graphic Communication with Zac Boggs

#### Assistant Professor

2011 - 2017 | State University of New York College of Environmental, Science and Forestry (SUNY ESF) Department of Landscape Architecture | \*Spring 2015 research in Puerto Rico for Drescher Award

#### Visiting Lecturer

2010 - 2011 | Cornell University Department of City & Regional Planning | Real Estate Program (designed a Graphic Communication course for CRP and co-taught the Capstone course in Real Estate)

#### Teaching Assistant

2008 - 2010 | Cornell University Department of Landscape Architecture

## PROFESSIONAL PRACTICE

### Co-Owner, Senior Design Partner

2008 - present | KorerLot Design & Development LLC, Ithaca, NY formerly known as UrbiNova Design in Ithaca, NY + design advisor/academic collaborator since 2010 for D+H Landscape Architects in Guangzhou, China and Los Angeles, CA (Structures + Interiors + Landscapes).

### **Co-Owner, Designer & Manager**

October 2021 - present | Ithaca Lights | a new local Ithaca business in lighting design and home goods. This store was a design/built collaboration with Zac Boggs & Cheryl Shields, and is now a business I run with my partners.

### **Property Manager (Rentals, Airbnb & Booking.com)**

2012- present | Manager of various properties in Ithaca, Airbnb Super host.

### **Project Manager, Lead Designer & Construction Administrator**

2002-2008 | Design Workshop 2007 ASLA firm of the year Denver, CO

## **RESEARCH INTERESTS**

- + The “production” [design + implementation + performance evaluation] of public space, in particular plazas and parks [high performance] and the potential of these spaces to address both social and environmental resilience.
- + Landscapes + culture + identity, with a focus on the plazas of the Caribbean basin and the influence of the Laws of Indies upon them
- + Changes in use and users of public space in relation to technology + aesthetics
- + The impacts of travel and service learning in design education
- + Graphic design and portfolio production

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## **AWARDS & FELLOWSHIPS**

### **PROFESSIONAL**

#### **Pride of Ownership Award by the Rotary Club of Ithaca NY**

recognition for the design and construction of 701 Cliff St. Ithaca, NY in collaboration with Zac Boggs | 2022

#### **Award of Merit in Historic Preservation**

recognition for excellence in the rehabilitation and adaptive use of 201 W Clinton St. Ithaca , NY in collaboration with Zac Boggs | Historic Ithaca |2014

#### **Invited Design Competition . First place**

Kunyushan National Park International Design Competition, member of design team (UrbiNova Design) working in collaboration with D+H in Guangzhou, China | Yantai, China | 2012/2011 {work on-going}

#### **Work Selected for Exhibition**

Ideas on Edge Urban International Design Competition | SPLICE | member design team (UrbiNova Design) | Parramata, Australia | 2011

#### **Denver’s Mayor Award**

for the Reading Garden in the Lowry community in Denver, CO | Design Workshop, Inc. | 2009

#### **Colorado ASLA Honor Award**

for the Glacier Club in Durango, CO | Design Workshop, Inc. | 2007

## ACADEMIC & RESEARCH

### Dr. Nuala McGann Drescher Leave Award

for reeseearch: *78 plazas . case study I: Puerto Rico* \$14,700 | 2015 - 2014

### Honorable Mention

Ford Foundation Fellowship Predoctoral Competition | 2011

### Outstanding Performance and Dedication Award

Department of Landscape Architecture at Cornell University | 2010

### Outstanding Teaching Assistant

College of Agriculture and Life Sciences at Cornell University | 2010-2009

### \$5,000 Research Fellowship

Rust to Green New York State Cornell University | 2010

### \$8,000 Clarence Stein Fellowship

Funding for the POE of the Parks and o.s.s. at Lowry in Denver, CO Sponsored by the City & Regional Planning Program Cornell University | 2009

### \$4,000 Travel Grant

CAF Mickel Grant Clemson University | 2001

### ASLA Honor Award

Excellence in the Study of Landscape Architecture | 2001-2002

### First Place LARBF & CLARB

Wayne Grace Memorial Student Design Competition for “Re-envisioning Santiago de Texacuangos”, Santiago de Texacuangos, El Salvador | 2002

### Undergraduate Team Design Award

ASLA National Student Design Competition | Clemson University, SC | 2002

### Selected for:

- + Architecture Program in Spain directed by Prof. Maher | Fall 2000
- + City & Regional Planning Graduate Program in Zurich, Athens & Turkey directed by Prof. U. Yilmaz | Summer 2000
- + Art & Architecture History Program in Italy directed by Prof. Evelyn Voelker | Summer 1999
- + Marine Science Exchange Program with the University of South Carolina in Columbia, SC | University of Puerto Rico Recinto Universitario de Mayagüez (UPR RUM) | 1997-1996
- + Presidential Classroom | Puerto Rican representative in Washington,DC from the Immaculate Conception Academy, PR | 1994

### Sergeant's Award

Air Force ROTC Blue Eagles Drill Team UPR RUM | 1996

### Vietnam Medal

Air Force ROTC / AMVETS of World War II, Korea UPR RUM | 1996

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## EDUCATION/AWARDS FOR STUDENTS

### 2013 Special Recognition Award SUNY ESF

for having positively influenced the college experience of a 2012 graduate

### 2012 ASLA Honor Award

General Design for Dunescape student faculty advisor SUNY ESF

## COURSES TAUGHT AT CORNELL UNIVERSITY

Cornell University Department of City & Regional Planning and Real Estate Program

CRP 5851 Graphic Communication | S11, F10, F16 - F22

CRP 5075 Real Estate Capstone | S11

## COURSES TAUGHT AT SUNY ESF

### Bachelor of Landscape Architecture (BLA)

LSA 422 Design Studio III [coordinator] | F13, F14, F15

LSA 423 Design Studio IV | S14, S13

LSA 327 Land Arch Design Studio II | S12

(see: [ladesignstudio.weebly.com](http://ladesignstudio.weebly.com))

LSA 496 Public Space Experimental Unit | S13, S14 [seminar] (see:[pseu.org](http://pseu.org))

LSA 496 On The Plaza: Experiments on Public Space & Culture | summer 12

LSA 498 Intro Research Problems | S14, S12, F12 [various]

LSA 499 Undergraduate Land Arch Internship | S14, S13 [supervision]

LSA 425 Orient: Off-Camp Design Studio

+ S14 Copenhagen, Denmark

+ S13 Rio de Janeiro, Brazil

+ S12 Ponce, Puerto Rico

LSA 458 Off-Camp: Adv Visit, Wkly Rpts | F12, F13, F14

LSA 459 Off-Campus Design Journal/Proj Ntb. | F12, F13, F14

LSA 460 Off-Campus Design Thesis Studio | F12, F13, F14

(see: [esfoffcampus.weebly.com](http://esfoffcampus.weebly.com))

LSA 220 Introduction to Landscape Architecture | F15, F14, F13, F12, F11

LSA 301 Digital Graphics & Documents [supervision only] | S12

LSA 302 3D Modeling [supervision only] | S12

LSA 455 Professional Practice in Landscape Architecture | F16 (forthcoming)

### Masters of Landscape Architecture (MLA)

LSA 601 Design Studio II | F16 (forthcoming)

LSA 798 Research Problems | S13, F12

LSA 800 Capstone Studio | S13, S12

LSA 696 On The Plaza: Experiments on Public Space & Culture | summer 12

LSA 696 Digital Graphics & Docs [supervision only] | S12

LSA 696 3D Modeling [supervision only] | S12

LSA 552 Graphic Communication | F11

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## WORKSHOPS TAUGHT

SUNY ESF Graphic Communication Workshop Part I & II | S14 Volunteered to teach a workshop for the preparation of posters for our College's Spotlight on Research Event

Invited for Graphic Communication Workshop at the School of Architecture in Ponce, PR (EA PUCPR) | S13 Sponsored by the School of Architecture at the PUCPR to teach architecture students how to render landscapes, urban design plans and perspectives

Invited by Cornell University for Graphic Communication weekend workshops Parts I & II | S11 Sponsored by the Real Estate Program (Feb. 25 & Feb. 26 and April, 7 & April 8)

## RESEARCH PROJECTS

On public space

**78 PLAZAS** (forthcoming book)

a narrative of the link between public space and cultural identity in the Caribbean basin

Shifting Latitudes

A comparison of public spaces around the world

On design education

Empathy and design education

forthcoming paper based on the work for La Ruta 123 and the Castañer plaza

Through the eyes of an outsider

design research in a globalizing world with international curricula

The Introspective Designer

Post Occupancy Evaluations as a tool for growth

On graphic communication

The Landscape Architects Portfolio

## PRACTICE PROJECTS

*selected built work | \* award received*

KornerLot Design & Development

2022-present **The Old Mill House** design/built restoration of a late 1800's mill house

2020 - 22 \* **The Tree House at 701 Cliff St.** an infill project on a former urban fill site, design and construction of a 950 sq ft residence for contemporary living.

2020-21 **Wells Residence** design of a home addition and landscape redesign

2018 - **The Willow Residence** restoration of a 1915's home and conversion of a 1970's hair salon into a studio unit

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**2016 - The Carriage House at 201 W Clinton St.** adaptive reuse of a 1960's garage structure into a 2.5 story structure

**2016 - 2012 \* The Historic Tompkins County Red Cross Headquarters Building** Restoration and adaptive reuse | Ithaca, NY (on going project) published in the Ithaca Journal July 4th, 2013 and January 1, 2014 & the Historic Ithaca Newsletter

**2011 - 2019 \* Kunyushan National Park | Yantai, China**

National Park Planning & Design, Park Signage Program, work in collaboration with D+H Landscape Architects in Guangzhou, China

**2011 Dano's Heuriger | Seneca Lake, NY**

signage + site design, bidding & negotiation, and construction administration

**2011 Tonel & Weeden Residence | Ithaca, NY**

Landscape Architecture, Bidding & Negotiation, Construction Administration

**Design Workshop Inc. (DW)**

**2008-2002 Lowry Community | Denver, CO**

planning, design and construction administration for an 1,800 ac. military base redevelopment project and most of it's parks, plazas and open space system.

+ Power House Plaza + Sunset Village Park + Roslyn Park + \* Reading Garden + Prospect Park + Lowry East Dog Park & Linear Parkway + Monumentation + design guidelines, etc.

**2008 Basset Street Apartments Green Roof Terraces + Landscape Connection | Denver, CO**

**2005 - 2008 Meadows Town Center | New Community planning,** design & guidelines, design and construction administration for Parks, Plazas, Boulevards and Parkways | Castle Rock, CO

**Selected residential & resort work with Design Workshop**

+ Phil Mickleson's Residence in Rancho Santa Fe, CA + Playa Almirante in Rincon, PR + Martineau Bay in Vieques, PR + Isabela Beach Resort in Isabela, PR + \* Glacier Club in Durango, CO.

## **SERVICE**

**CORNELL UNIVERSITY DEPARTMENT OF LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE**

Studio Review Critic for various courses including Design Connect | 2012-present

**SUNY ESF DEPARTMENT OF LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE**

Undergraduate Committee | 2014-2016

Graduate Committee | 2011-2013

Technology Committee | 2011- 2016

Formal Advisor to 14 undergraduate students

Portfolio Day | Fall 2014, 2013 & 2012

Studio Review Critic for various courses | 2012-2016

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## SUNY ESF COLLEGE & UNIVERSITY WIDE

Student Life Committee | 2014 - present

CoPSO | 2012-2014

Appointed by former Department Chair Richard Hawks | role: secretary

Collaborator to the Spotlight on Research Committee | 2014

### Chair, Examination Committee

Spring 2013 Student: Shannon Buckley

Thesis/Dissertation Title: Nest Habitat and Predation of the Declining Rusty Blackbird (*Euphagus carolinus*): A Regional, Multi-Scale Study | Degree: MS | Program: EFB

Spring 2012 Student: Christopher Standley

Thesis/Dissertation Title: Quantifying Emergence Phenologies and Host-Parasitoid Interactions of the Exotic *Sirex noctilio* F. in a Native Siricid-Parasitoid Complex in NY | Program: Environmental and Forest Biology | Degree: MS

### External Thesis Advisor

Christina Lee Sarson | MLA Candidate 2013 | Chatham University in Pittsburgh: a post-occupancy evaluation of civic space in a LEED-ND neighborhood

### PhD Thesis Advisor

to Visiting Scholar Mehraneh Rayatidamavandi | present . 9 month duration

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## COMMUNITY RELATED SERVICE/OUTREACH/SERVICE LEARNING

### Professional offices held

+ City of Ithaca Planning Board Member

+ City of Ithaca Design Review Board Member

December 2014 - 2013

Appointed by Mayor Svante Myrick

### Reviewer

Landscape Research Record 2015 & CELA Conference Abstracts | Invited by the Co-Chairs of the People-Environment Relationships Track | 2015 - 2013

EDRA Conference Abstracts | Volunteered | 2013

Routledge Research Methods Book Proposal | Volunteered 2013

### Invited Panelist + Juror for Design Reviews & Design Competitions

International Communication Association Conference Sponsored by the Urban Communication Foundation | 2015 | Invited Panelist

The formal program description states:

“San Juan, like all major cities faces a variety of complex problems that call upon its civic leaders to take bold and innovative steps to maintain a city’s rich history, to alleviate chronic urban dilemmas, and to move forward as technology, economics and society change. The Urban Communication Foundation is pleased to welcome San Juan’s mayor, The Honorable Carmen Yulín Cruz, as part of a panel of distinguished civic leaders and academics. Our goal is to create a discussion as to how the field of Communication can help inform public policy and to explore ways that we can collaborate on dynamic urban research endeavors”.

Fall 2013 School of Architecture EA PUCPR final Urban Design Studio Review and Senior Thesis Reviews at Hunter College in NYC.

Spring 2013 - Fall 2012 School of Architecture EA PUCPR competition advisor and visiting studio critic for three days.

ULI Student Competition Advisor | Cornell University Fall 2010

2009 Faculty appointed Project Manager for Rust to Green Initiative, an action research project currently active in Utica and Binghamton, NY

#### **Service learning projects**

Fall 2015 | Riverfront Park Workshop, Cazenovia, NY (See: [ladesignstudio.weebly.com](http://ladesignstudio.weebly.com) and [playcaz.weebly.com](http://playcaz.weebly.com))

Fall 2015 | Chain Works Brownfield Site Redevelopment Project, Ithaca, NY

Fall 2014 Caroline Elementary School Yard in Slaterville, NY (on going) (See: [ladesignstudio.weebly.com](http://ladesignstudio.weebly.com) and [ceny.weebly.com](http://ceny.weebly.com))

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Spring Break 2014 | Castañer Plaza Workshop | [pseu.org](http://pseu.org) | Castañer, PR

a cross-cultural and multi-disciplinary community workshop for the re-design construction and implementation of design improvements to Castañer's public plaza. Funded by HUD's Rural Innovation Fund and citizens donations |BUILT

Fall 2014 Museum of the Finger Lakes studio work | Canandaigua, NY

collaboration with Don Naetzker Executive Director for the museum to provide design proposals for a 15 acre lake front site in the City of Cazenovia. Work completed with students in LSA 422 (See: [ladesignstudio.weebly.com](http://ladesignstudio.weebly.com))

Fall 2013 | Grace Episcopal Church Grounds | Syracuse, NY

collaboration with Maren King Director of CCDR at ESF and members of the congregation for the design of the grounds of one of Syracuse's historic landmarks | work completed with students in LSA 422.

Fall 2013 | La Ruta 123, Geographies of Opportunity

cross-cultural and multi-disciplinary collaboration with the School of Architecture at the PUCPR for the planning and design of entrepreneurial interventions for an agrotouristic route along a rural and economically depressed area in Puerto Rico. Work completed by students in LSA 422 and the PUCPR equivalent Architecutre studio. Funded by HUD's Rural Innovation Fund, EA PUCPR and SUNY ESF | Sections of it implemented, led to more funding.

2008 Pro-Bono Work: Women's Home Aurora, CO and 2007 Pro-Bono Work: Denver Children's Home Denver, CO with Design Workshop, Inc.

## **PUBLICATIONS**

*selected & refereed*

Fernández + Boggs | Forthcoming book: "78 Plazas" (in progress)

Fall 2015 Fernández I. "The plaza . Shifting Latitudes and Re-Framing Identity" | abstract submitted for CELA and EDRA conferences



Fall 2013 Fernández I. *“Through the eyes of an outsider: design research in a globalizing world with international curricula”* | abstract accepted for Council of Educators in Landscape Architecture (CELA) annual conference (2014)

Fall 2012 Fernández I. *“Using Bias to Discover Truths – A Cross Cultural & Cross Disciplinary Studio”* | abstract accepted for Environmental Design Research Association (EDRA) annual conference | oral presentation & publication in conference proceedings (2013)

Fall 2011 Fernández I. *“Mind the Gap - Post Occupancy Evaluations as a tool for minimizing the user-designer gap and revealing landscape value”* | abstract accepted for Council of Educators in Landscape Architecture (CELA) annual conference (2012)

Fall 2012 Fernández I. *“Public Spaces for the Common Good”* |abstract published in symposium proceedings for Paisajes Del Bien Comun at Pontifica Universidad Católica de Puerto Rico, School of Architecture (EA PUCPR)

2011 Boggs-Fernández, I. *“Imagine Rust Renewed: What an Island in Trouble Can Do to Stop Sprawl and Backpedal Itself to Paradise”* Addressing Sprawl in Puerto Rico. | ICMA.org | [http://icma.org/m/en/Article/100969/Imagine\\_Rust\\_Renewed](http://icma.org/m/en/Article/100969/Imagine_Rust_Renewed)

2010 Read, A. and Fernández I. *“Integrated Greenspace Networks: A Smart Option.”* | Public Management 92.10 (2010): 16-19

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## SELECTED PRESENTATIONS

*invited lectures*

### Closing lecture at the EA PUCPR for Landscape Architecture week

Open to the public and worth 1.5 credit hours towards continued education requirements for professional licensure (architecture and landscape architecture). *“78: Plazas of Puerto Rico / General analysis of the emblematic Puerto Rican public space with a focus on Ponce’s Plaza de las Delicias”* | April 30, 2015

EDRA Conference in New Orleans | 2014

CELA Conference in Baltimore, MD | 2014

CELA Conference in Urbana-Champaign, IL | 2012

Guest Lecturer for the Polytechnic University of Puerto Rico School of Landscape Architecture *“The Professional Practice”* and *“Practicing Landscape Architecture Abroad”* | 2014

ESF internal lectures for various courses | Fall 2011 - present

Various Professors including: Matt Potteiger and Dayton Reuter, and Assistant Prof. Susan Dieterlen request I act as a Guest Speaker for their respective classes.

Guest Speaker:

+ Symposium held at the EA PUCPR | *“Public Spaces for the Common Good”* | Fall 2012

+ EA PUCPR open to the public presentation worth 1.5 credits towards continued education

requirements for professional licensure (architecture and landscape architecture) “*The International Practice*”, and separate lecture for students of their Landscape Architecture Unit on the same topic | **Spring 2012**

+ **Landscape Architecture Department at the Polytechnic University of Puerto Rico** | **Via Skype: “Urban Design”** | **Spring 2012**

+ **For the Student Chapter of the American Society of Landscape Architecture at Cornell University** “*The Landscape Architect’s Portfolio and the Job Interview*” | **Spring 2012**

+ **Cornell University for CRP 5852 Graphic Communication** | **Prof. Zac Boggs** “*Portfolio’s and Resume’s for Planners*” | **Fall 2011/12**

+ **Department of Landscape Architecture Pro-Practice Course** | **Prof. Olga Angueira at the Polytechnic School of Puerto Rico** “*Designing & planning the professional portfolio and preparing for the job interview*” | **Via Skype** | **Fall 2011 & Fall 2010**

+ **Cornell University ULI Preparation Course** with Marc Miller and Pike Oliver “*Graphic Communication for the Urban Land Institute (ULI) Student Competition*” | **Spring 2011**

+ **Cornell University LA Department Young Professionals Talk** | **Prof. Paula Horrigan** “*My career path*” | **Fall 2010**

+ **Polytechnic School of Puerto Rico Department of Landscape Architecture** | **Prof. Olga Angueira** “*Practicing Landscape Architecture, Planning & Urban Design Abroad*” | **Spring 2010**

+ **Cornell University Real Estate Course on Community Design and Planning** | **Prof. Pike Oliver** “*New Community Design*” | **Spring 2010**

+ **Recurring Guest Lecturer at Cornell University for the City & Regional Planning and Landscape Architecture Departments on:** “*How to Create a Portfolio to Get the Interview and Job You Want*” and “*Portfolio & Resume Design / The Job Talk*” | **Invited by Prof. Ann Forsyth (Current Chair CRP Harvard University)** from the City & Regional Planning Department at Cornell University | **Fall and Spring 2010**

+ **Cornell University Department of Landscape Architecture** “*The Design Process at Design Workshop*” student recruitment for Design Workshop Inc. | **Fall 2007**

+ **At Design Workshop, lectures include:** “*Field Experiences in Landscape Architecture*”, “*The Construction Process*”, “*Resort Design in Puerto Rico*”, “*A Rebuilding Strategy for Santiago de Texacuangos in El Salvador*”, etc. | **October 2003 - July 2008**

## **PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS & AFFILIATIONS**

+ Registered Professional Landscape Architect in the State of Colorado 368 (inactive)

+ American Society of Landscape Architects (inactive)

+ Sigma Lambda Alpha

+ ODK National Honors

## **LANGUAGES**

**Fluent:** Spanish and English + **Some written, spoken and reading** knowledge of Italian and Portuguese + **some reading and verbal comprehension** of Catalan, French and Latin.

## **OTHER PASSIONS**

Teaching + Travel + Research & Writing + Design Build + Volleyball + Yoga

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