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RIBA Part 2 qualified with 2 years design, research and teaching experience across a broad range of projects, including self-employment and working in an international context.

Adaptable, efficient and capable - I have worked independently and as part of a team to deliver challenging design and research projects in a range of contexts, often working alongside founding directors and programme leaders. I am a very fast and curious learner, an enthusiastic supporter and a convincing advocate for good design.

Specialist knowledge in the fields of re-use, self-build and Custom Build housing, low-impact and off-grid design, and practice-based research. Broad set of skills including architectural and detailed design, design for print and web and practice-based research, and able to manage self and others. Able to take the initiative and self-manage workloads, having become self-employed in order to take advantage of multiple part-time employment opportunities across design, research and teaching.

EDUCATION & QUALIFICATIONS

MArch Architecture (Distinction)

University of Sheffield School of Architecture (2010-2012)

BA (hons) Architecture (1st class)

Leicester School of Architecture at De Montfort University (2006-2009)

BTEC Art & Design (Distinction)

Arts Institute at Bournemouth (2004-2005)

A-Levels + GCSEs

Crofton Secondary School and St. Vincent's College, Hampshire (2000-2004)

4 A-levels (4As): Fine Art, Physics, Mathematics, Photography / 2 AS-levels (1A, 1C): Music Technology, German. 11 GCSEs (10A*s, 1A) inc. Maths, English and Sciences.

EMPLOYMENT, EXPERIENCE & SKILLS

London (UK) / Sheffield (UK) / Paris (FR)
Various employers.

London (UK)
www.publicworksgroup.net / www.r-urban-wick.net

London (UK) / Sheffield (UK)
www.collectivecustombuild.org / www.ashsak.com

Norton Disney, Lincolnshire (UK)
www.designhww.com / www.hillholtwood.com

Worthing (UK)
www.savillejones-architects.com

Norton Disney, Lincolnshire (UK)

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London (UK) / Paris (FR)
/ Brezoi (RO)

London, Sheffield and Leicester (UK)
/ Rotterdam (NL) / Paris (FR)

Self-employed

Designer / Design Tutor / Researcher - Jul.2013 to present

Public Works

Designer - Oct.2012 to present

Ash Sakula Architects / Design for Homes / University of Sheffield

Practice-Based Researcher - Feb.2013 to Aug.2013

Design HHW

Designer / Founding Member - Jun.2009 to Aug.2010

Saville Jones Architects

Architectural Assistant - Jun.2007 to Aug.2007

Design

Founded Design HHW

RIBA Part 1 'Year Out' with two colleagues. Established a design service within an existing environmental social enterprise - set within ancient woodland in rural Lincolnshire - consolidating the organisation's expertise in low-impact self-build, off-grid living and sustainable rural development. Work at Design HHW involved networking to secure work, managing work and cash flows, preparing initial appraisals, feasibility studies, visualisations, planning submissions, building control and construction drawings, and provide on-site training in low-impact construction techniques during build phases. Projects included off-grid educational facilities and neighbourhood-scale retrofit of existing housing stock, as well as a self-built, off-grid bunkhouse in which to live for the duration of our employment.

Led on a variety of tasks for the pan-European R-Urban project

Working in Paris, Romania and London, I have prepared feasibility studies and prototypical detailed designs using re-claimed materials, for experimental, community-run buildings in both urban and rural settings.

Explored the design of a wide range of building types as academic projects

Design projects at architecture school included a variety of public and private buildings, including individual off-grid residential, multi-unit urban housing, a bank, an art gallery, jazz club, urban retreat, intensive building

envelope, small-scale urban interventions, an educational facility and a framework for sustainable inner-city regeneration. Received the MAKE Award 2008 for Excellence in Design, the ROK Award for Innovation in Construction in 2009 and the LRSA Presidents Award for Excellence in 2009, as well as achieving the highest student performance in each of my three undergraduate years.

Worthing (UK)

Worked as an architectural assistant at Saville Jones Architects

Assisting Project Architects with the preparation and issue of drawings for tender and mobilisation on site.

Complementary Skills

Research

I have taken a significant role in the delivery of research outputs for 'Motivating Collective Custom Build' practice-based research project, producing a short animated film and web-resource whilst working as an embedded researcher at Ash Sakula Architects in London, and co-ordinating the activities of remote research partners including housing advocate Design For Homes and the research team at the University of Sheffield. The project made extensive use of social media and was presented at a number of high-profile dissemination events, including the Local Government Association annual conference 2013 in Manchester.

I have also written high-quality dissertations at undergraduate level - on digital fabrication and craftsmanship, submitted for the RIBA President's Medals 2009 - and at Masters level, on social enterprise and architectural practice in the context of Localism and the Big Society, an excerpt of which was presented at the 3rd EMES International Conference on Social Enterprise, held in 2011 in Roskilde, Denmark, and later published as part of the conference's Selected Papers Series.

Sheffield (UK)

Model-making

Including a professional-standard model-making commission for the University of Sheffield, and teaching an undergraduate short-course on model-making at the Sheffield School of Architecture, alongside extensive use of model-making in academic design studio projects.

Jerusalem (IS/ PT)

Masterplanning

Assisted a number of master-planning teams for 3 months as part of the Jerusalem Urban Resilience Design Studio, including interviewing and surveying, as well as preparing and presenting design material.

Gloucestershire, Isle of Wight and Lincolnshire (UK)
/ Brezoi (RO)

Building

Wide range of experience of 1:1 construction and work on site, including participating in three intensive builds as part of the Studio In The Woods and constructing a bunkhouse in which to live in for a year, off-grid.

Sheffield, Todmorden and London (UK)

Consultation and Engagement

I am a trained Spaceshaper 9-14 facilitator and led the pilot of a student-led facilitator service at the Sheffield School of Architecture (SSoA). I also designed, prepared for and ran a number of stakeholder workshops as part of the Live Projects programme at the SSoA, as well as participating in a number of evening sessions and public workshops with Public Works.

Leicester and Sheffield (UK)

Teaching

At the Leicester School of Architecture (LSA), I have assisted with 1st year skills workshops and as a 2nd year design tutor. Whilst working at Design HHW, I also designed and ran a 'live project' for 1st year LSA students to design an autonomous house. At the Sheffield School of Architecture (SSoA), I prepared and led a short-course on model-making for the entire 1st year cohort, as well as participating in project reviews across the school, including all BA and MArch years and the MSc course. I have also facilitated specialist workshop sessions in 3rd year (digital fabrication) and 6th year (management), as well as leading on student-run Lunchtime Specials and Good Peer initiatives whilst studying, in support of Peer-Assisted-Learning (PAL).

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SOFTWARE PROFICIENCY

CAD

- AutoCAD
- Sketchup Pro

Visualisation, Print & Web

- Adobe Creative Suite (Photoshop / Illustrator / InDesign)
- Web-editors (Wordpress, Tumblr and custom-software)
- Zotero Reference Manager
- Microsoft Office and Adobe Acrobat Pro

PROJECTS & HOBBIES

Cranbrook Community Garden

Food growing and social project; inc. tending garden and building things.

Sport

Ultimate Frisbee; 5-a-side football; running.

Travel & Photography

Extensive travel in the UK and abroad equipped with a trusty SLR.