

Ann Kearsley

EDUCATION

Harvard University Graduate School of Design

Master in Landscape Architecture, 1990
Master of Landscape Architecture in Urban Design, 1990

Dartmouth College

Bachelor of Arts, 1980 (Highest Distinction)

PROFESSIONAL

Ann Kearsley Design

1983 – present

Owner & Principal of Landscape Architecture & Urban Design Firm

Registered Landscape Architect: AZ#36907, MA#4032, ME#3075, OH#1501342

CLARB Certified Landscape Architect • Maine DOT Certified DBE - Woman Owned Business

Landscape & Urban Design: AKD specializes in ecologically based landscape design, linking landscape form and spatial structure to the dynamics of a site's natural systems. Firm projects include large scale master planning, site planning, urban parks, landscapes for art, and public and private gardens. With over 30 years experience designing and building landscapes for individuals, institutions and communities, Ann Kearsley's work is founded on a commitment to establishing meaningful and sustainable connections between people and the landscapes they inhabit.

AKD provides a full range of landscape design services including: site analysis, site planning, conceptual design, design development, permitting, construction documents, construction administration.

Sculpture Siting & Installation Management: AKD consults with municipalities, institutions and private clients on the selection and siting of outdoor sculpture. We manage all aspects of art installation in both existing landscapes and in landscapes designed by AKD. Sculpture sited includes work by: Magdalena Abakanowicz, Louise Bourgeois, Alexander Calder, Mark DiSuvero, Nancy Holt, Jenny Holzer, Gillian Jagger, Luis Jimenez, Ellsworth Kelly, Willem de Kooning, Sol LeWitt, Roy Lichtenstein, Dennis Oppenheim, Richard Serra, Kiki Smith, Tony Smith, William Tucker, Ursula von Rydingsvard.

SELECTED PROJECTS

Wolfe's Neck Farm Foundation

Freeport, Maine
10/2014 – present

Master Planning & Landscape Design

AKD, in collaboration with GO Logic, LLC (AKD prime), developed a Master Plan for Wolfe's Neck Farm, a 626 saltwater farm in Freeport, ME. The Master Plan integrates WNF's varied existing agricultural related programming, including a new Pasture Dairy Farmer Training Program, a Summer Farm Camp a Teen Agriculture program, a new Education Center for Sustainable Agriculture programming and Recompence Campground, an ocean-side woodland campground in operation for over 50 years. The Design Phase of the project commenced in Summer 2016

Episcopal Diocese of Ohio

Camp and Retreat Ministry

Cleveland, Ohio
06/2012 – present

Master Planning & Landscape Design

AKD partnered with GO Logic, LLC to develop a Master Plan for a new summer camp and retreat center proposed by the Episcopal Diocese of Ohio. The goals of the new facility are to integrate spiritual growth, social justice and fidelity to the environment by creating a ministry centered around sustainable agriculture. AKD worked with EDoOH to articulate detailed project programming and sustainability goals. These goals are incorporated into the Site Plan for the 140 acre project farm using principles of Landscape Ecology: primary program elements are located within an 'Expanded Edge', a transitional landscape zone between farm fields and forest. The Master Plan includes proposals for sustainable landscape development, stormwater management and erosion control, architecture, sustainable farm operations and forest management, as well as project pricing and implementation phasing.

Unity College

SonnenHaus Village & TerraHaus

Unity, ME
10/2010 - 8/2011

Campus Planning • Site Planning • Landscape Design

Unity College, is a small, rural liberal arts college with a focus on environmental studies, AKD's Site Plan and landscape design for TerraHaus and the SonnenHaus Village initiated Unity's shift towards an ecologically based framework for development at the College, characterized by combining the principles of Landscape Ecology with the functional requirements of a working landscape that supports the College's Sustainability Science curriculum. TerraHaus awards include: The EcoHome 2012 Grand Award; the 2012 Evergreen Award from EcoStructure; a Citation for Excellence in Architecture from AIA New England.

Ann Kearsley

Long Creek Watershed Management District Maine Mall Stormwater Management Retrofit

South Portland, ME

2014 - 2015

Maine Dept of Transportation & The Louis Berger Group, Inc. US Route 1 Renovation

Ogunquit, ME

2014 - 2015

GO Logic, LLC The GO Home

Belfast, ME

2009 - 2010

Kaplan Thompson Architects Bright Built Barn

Rockport, ME

8/2007 - 8/2009

Stormwater Management & Urban Design

AKD teamed with the Horsley Witten Group (prime) to develop a stormwater management strategy and design green infrastructure retrofits for the 66 acre Maine Mall catchment area, currently with over 90% impervious cover. The project goals are to improve water quality and restore degraded habitat in and around the adjacent Long Creek by capturing and managing 100% of stormwater falling on the existing buildings and parking areas. Project scope includes development of an urban forest framework to guide a planned tree planting program for this dense, commercial area.

Stormwater Management • BMP (outfall) Design

As part of The Louis Berger Group's renovation of US Route 1 in congested summer community of Ogunquit, ME, AKD designed 12 stormwater drainage outlet structures in extremely constrained conditions along streambanks and remnant wetlands. Specifying bioengineering techniques to treat runoff and stabilize vegetative cover along receiving slopes, AKD developed new Special Provisions/ Supplemental MDOT Specifications and planting installation phasing guidelines.

Site Planning • Landscape Design • USGBC's LEED for Homes 2011 Project of the Year

The GO Home, a super energy efficient residential prototype for the Belfast Maine CoHousing Community, was completed by GO Logic, LLC in 2010. AKD sited the building, and designed and managed the installation of GO Home's sustainable landscape by preserving and expanding on the existing healthy site ecology during and after construction. GO Home received a USGBC LEED Platinum rating and national recognition as the USGBC LEED for Homes 2011 Project of the Year.

Site Planning • Landscape Design • 2009 LEED for Homes Innovative Project Award

A cross disciplinary collaboration to design and build an ecologically sustainable building with net zero carbon emissions. AKD worked closely with architect and builder to minimize construction damage to the existing undeveloped Maine landscape. AKD sited the building and designed a landscape restoration plan re-establishing and expanding the original plant community, adding native species to increase habitat resources. Project awarded USGBC LEED Platinum rating; 2009 USGBC LEED for Homes Innovative Project Award; Treehugger 2008 Best Single Family Project.

TEACHING

Northeastern University Fall 2014 - present

School of Architecture • Urban Landscape Architecture Program

- Plant Identification & Engagement • Planting Design
- Site Materials & Methods • Sustainable Site Construction & Detailing

The Landscape Institute 2008 - 2010

Harvard University • Boston Architectural College

- Sustainable Site Engineering • Green Roofs & Rain Gardens

LECTURES & WORKSHOPS

Society for Ecological Restoration • European Conference 2016 • Munich, Germany: Restoration Principles in Landscape Architecture

Ecological Landscape Alliance • 2014 Season's End Summit • Resilient Landscape Design / Case Studies

ABX 2014 • Boston Society of Architects Conference • Design for Disturbance: Anticipating the post-construction landscape

Massachusetts Horticulture Society • Thursday Night Lecture Series: Ecological Landscape Design

Ecological Landscape Alliance • 2011 Conference: Design Evolution: Engaging the Present, Adapting to the Future

Ecological Landscape Alliance • 2009 Conference: Sustainable Site Engineering

DESIGN REVIEW JURIES

Rural Studio/University of Alabama: architecture thesis • University of Alabama/Auburn: architecture studios

Boston Architecture Center: architecture studios and thesis • Massachusetts College of Art: architecture thesis

Massachusetts Institute of Technology: architecture studio • Northeastern University: architecture and urban design thesis

Rhode Island School of Design: landscape and architecture studios

Ann Kearsley

COMPETITIONS

Finalist

Philadelphia, PA • 02/2000

International Sculpture Garden at Penn's Landing

One of three finalists in an invited competition sponsored by the Fairmount Park Art Association to design a 2 acre public sculpture park along the Delaware River.

Finalist

Salem, MA • 11/1991

Partner: Barbara A. Boardman

Salem Witch Trials Memorial Competition

One of 3 finalists (246 entries) in an open competition to design a memorial for the 300th anniversary of the Salem Witch Trials in Salem, MA.

CLIENTS & COLLABORATORS

Francis & Robert Barchi West Bath, ME, New Brunswick, NJ

Will Bruder, Architect Phoenix, AZ

Ruth Butler & Carl Kaysen Cambridge, MA

Harold J. Carroll Biddeford Pool, ME & Boston, MA

Mary & Keith Collins Rockport, ME

Jack & Eileen Connors Brookline, MA

Wendy Gamble & Tony Kuehn Sorrento, ME

Graham & Ann Gund Cambridge, MA

Melinda Eaton Cumberland Foreside, ME

Episcopal Diocese of Ohio Cleveland, OH

GO Logic LLC Belfast, ME

Haley House Boston, MA

Horsley Witten Group Sandwich, MA

Phyllis Jalbert North Yarmouth, ME & New York, NY

Kaplan Thompson Architects Portland, ME

Claudia King Falmouth, ME

Long Creek Watershed Mgmt District South Portland, ME

Lisbet Rausing & Joseph Koerner Cambridge, MA

Barbara Lee Brookline, Cambridge & Martha's Vineyard, MA

Thomas H. Lee Brookline, MA

Dora & Paul Levesque Freeport, ME

Louis Berger Group Portland, ME

Daniel Maziero & Daniela Blanco Oak Park, IL

Middlebury College Middlebury, VT

Lennie Pierro Memorial Arts Foundation South Orange, NJ

Alison Pray & Matt James Portland, ME

Tony Smith Estate New York, NY

Spindleworks Art Center Brunswick, ME

Paul Hayes Tucker, Art Historian University of MA, Boston

Unity College Unity, ME

Van Dam Architecture & Design Portland, ME

Village of South Orange South Orange, NJ

Wolfe's Neck Farm Foundation South Freeport, ME

Michael & Roxanne Zak Concord, MA, Edgecomb, ME