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Education:

PhD: Department of Art History, **University of Chicago**. Dissertation entitled, "Sites of Lost Dwelling: The Figure of the Archaic City in the Discourses of Urban Design, 1938-1970."

M.Arch. Department of Architecture, **University of California, Los Angeles**, concentration in History, Analysis and Criticism of Architecture; master's thesis on the architecture of Grand Central Terminal.

B.A. received from **Brown University**, double concentration in Anthropology and Semiotics

Areas of Specialization:

- Modern and Contemporary Architecture
- History and Theory of 20th-Century Urban Design
- Visual Culture of Urban Space
- Urbanism and Public Space

Fellowships and Awards:

CSU and RSCA Research Grants (various short-term research grants), **California State University**, 2009-2017

Mellon Postdoctoral Fellowship, Penn Humanities Forum, **University of Pennsylvania**, 2007-2008

Annual Dissertation Prize, Department of Art History, **University of Chicago**, June 2006

Franke Institute for the Humanities Dissertation Year Fellowship: July 2004-June 2005.

Mellon / Council on Library and Information Resources Dissertation Research Fellowship: June-December 2003.

Getty Library Research Grant: February 2003.

Teaching Experience:

Professor: Department of Art and Art History, **San José State University** (beginning August 2015), **Department Chair** (2016-21;2026); specialization in the history of modern and contemporary architecture. Courses include: Modern Architecture; Contemporary Architecture; Design in Society; Professional Writing in Contemporary Art, and the History of 20th Century Urban Design. Developed thesis guidelines and taught graduate writing course for the MFA program, beginning fall 2009; Responsibilities for graduate advising, beginning fall 2010.

Associate Professor: Department of Art and Art History, **San José State University** (2015-2025; tenured and promoted May 2025).

Assistant Professor: Department of Art and Art History, **San José State University** (2008-2015; tenured and promoted May 2015).

Mellon Postdoctoral Fellow: Department of Art History, **University of Pennsylvania**, responsible for freshman seminar.

Dean's Appointment: Department of Art History, **Temple University**, 2005-07; full-time teaching appointment, with undergraduate and graduate course responsibilities.

Preceptor for the Master of Arts in the Humanities Program, **University of Chicago**, Fall 1999- May 2002; Advised master's theses in a variety of disciplines, including Art History, English, Philosophy and Music.

Adjunct Assistant Professor in Architecture, **University of Illinois at Chicago**, Fall 2001.

Adjunct Professor in Art History at **De Paul University**, 1998-2001.

Lecturer in Art History at the **University of Chicago**, Fall, 1998- Fall 1999.

Publications:

"Inventing 'Ecotopia: Experimental Urban Design in 1970s California," In Sarah Earnshaw ed., ***Cultural Practices of Place: A Sense of Placing*** (Palgrave MacMillan, 2025)

Book Review: "The City in the City: Architecture and Change in London's Financial District," ***Journal of the Society of Architectural Historians*** 83, no. 4 (December 2024): 542-543.

"The Limits of Counterculture Urbanism: Utopian Planning and Practical Politics in Berkeley, 1969-73." ***Journal of Planning History*** 23, issue 1 (Winter 2024): 49-70

"Revolution or Co-Evolution: Radical Ecology and Social Design," ***Empower, Proceedings of the 110th Meeting of the Association of Collegiate Schools of Architecture*** (Washington, DC: ACSA Press, 2023) 347-353.
<https://doi.org/10.35483/ACSA.AM.110.48>

"Ecology as Architekturwissenschaft: Sim Van Der Ryn and the Soft Science of Radical Design," *Forum Architekturwissenschaft*," in Juan Almarza Anwandter et al eds.,

Architekturwissenschaft vom Suffix zur Agenda, Forum Architekturwissenschaft, volume 5 (Berlin: Universitätsverlag der TU Berlin, summer 2021).

"Educating a 'Creative Class': Anti-Disciplinary School Architecture in the Early 1970s," **Childhood in the Past**, 13:2, (2020), 138-152
<https://doi.org/10.1080/17585716.2020.1791498>

Book Review: "Traditionalism and Neo-Traditionalism in Urban Design" **Architectural Histories** 6 (1) (fall 2018): 22, 1-3.

"Educating a 'Creative Class': Anti-Disciplinary School Architecture in the Early 1970s," in Andres Kurg and Karin Vicente, **Proceedings of the Fifth International Conference of the European Architectural History Network** (Tallinn: Estonian Academy of Arts, 2018).

Book Review: "Alternative Visions of Post-War Reconstruction: Creating the Modern Townscape," **The Journal of Architecture** 21, no. 1, 2016, 148-152.

"Provoking the 'Thingness' of History: The Anti-Teleological Hermeneutics of Steen Eiler Rasmussen," in Robert Corser and Sharon Haar eds., **Shaping New Knowledges, 104th ACSA Annual Meeting** (Washington DC: ACSA Press, 2016) 543-552

Book Review: "City Choreographer: Lawrence Halprin in Urban Renewal America," **Journal of the Society of Architectural Historians** 74, no. 4 (December 2015): 505-506.

"From Statecraft to Stagecraft: The Visual Politics of Britishness at the South Bank Exhibition, in Ortenberg, Paperny and Devos eds., **Architecture of Great Expositions 1937-1958: Reckoning with Global War** (Farnham: Ashgate, 2015) 115-132.

"From Spatial Feeling to Functionalist Design: Contrasting Representations of the Baroque in Steen Eiler Rasmussen's *Experiencing Architecture*," in **The Baroque in Architectural Culture, 1880-1980**, ed. Andrew Leach, John MacArthur, and Maarten Delbeke (Farnham: Ashgate, 2015) 173-184.

"Urban contrast and Neo-Toryism: On the Social and Political Symbolism of *The Architectural Review's* Townscape Campaign," **Planning Perspectives** 30, no. 1 (Winter 2015) 95-128.

"'Egalitarianism Has No Meaning Here': Hubert de Cronin Hastings and the Aesthetic Politics of Townscape," **Proceedings of the 16th International Planning History Society**, Christopher Silver and Dan Zhu eds. (St. Augustine: University of Florida, July 2014) 886-898.

"Simulating Spatial Experience in the People's Berkeley: The Urban Design Experiments of Donald Appleyard and Kenneth Craik," **Design and Culture** 6, no. 1 (March 2014) 46-64.

"Ending the Hegemony of 'Space': Steen Eiler Rasmussen and the Relativization of Baroque Aesthetics," in Hilde Heynen and Janina Gosseye, eds., ***Proceedings of the 2nd International Conference of the European Architectural History Network***, Koninklijke Vlaamse Academie van België voor Wetenschappen en Kunsten (Brussels: Contactforum, 2012) 419-423.

"Spectacle of the Hyper-Real: Environmental Simulation, Cybernetic Subjects, and Urban Design," ***Digital Aptitudes + Other Openings, Proceedings of the 100th Meeting of the Association of Collegiate Schools of Architecture*** (Washington, DC: ACSA Press, April 2012) 654-660.

"Constructing the Edge: Architecture in a Turbulent Age," (book review), ***Boom, A Journal of California*** 2, no. 1 (Spring 2012) 75-77

"Civic Art in an Age of Cultural Relativism: The Aesthetic Origins of Kevin Lynch's Image of the City," ***Journal of Urban Design*** 16, no. 1 (February 2011) 103-125.

"From Urban Village to Metropolitan Picturesque: Precincts, Townscape, and the 'Cellular' Planning of World War II London," in Correia, Jorge ed., ***1st International Meeting Eahn: European Architectural History Network : CD of Papers*** (Lisbon: CHAM Centro de Historia de Alem-Mar, 2010) 25-31.

Book review: "Thomas H. Keels. Forgotten Philadelphia: Lost Architecture of the Quaker City." ***Pennsylvania History*** 76, no. 2, (Spring 2009) 211-213.

Book review: "Driving Spaces by Peter Merriman." ***Journal of British Studies*** v. 47 no. 4 (October 2008) 995-997.

"Reimagining Civic Art in the Postwar Boom: Christopher Tunnard, Kevin Lynch and the Aesthetic Genesis of 'Imageability,'" ***Public versus Private Planning: Themes Trends and Tensions, Proceedings of the International Planning History Association, 13th Biennial Conference*** (Chicago: UIC and University of Florida) July 10-13 2008, 407-420.

Editorial Introduction: "Embodying Urban Design," ***Embodied Utopias***, Bingaman, Sanders and Zorach eds. (New York: Routledge, 2002) 168-172.

Book review: "Architecture and Modernity. Hilde Heynen." ***Modernism/Modernity*** 7, no. 3 (September 2000) 522-24.

"Mirrors within the Wall: Enlightenment Authority and the Dialectics of Visual Desire in Ledoux's Project for the *Saline de Chaux*," ***Chicago Art Journal***, 8, no. 1 (Spring 1998) 19-31.

"Swarm of the Metropolis: Passenger Circulation at Grand Central Terminal and the Ideology of the Crowd Aesthetic," **Journal of Architectural Education (JAE)** 50, no. 1 (September 1996) 2-14.

"Decloaking the Camera Obscura: Toward a Free-Space Cinema," **Critical Planning 2** (Spring 1995) 85-89.

Forthcoming:

"Commune Archipelago:: Anti-Capitalist Housing in 1970s Berkeley," in **Journal of Architectural Culture (JOELHO)** 17 (2026)

"Ecological Politics, Public Space and the Designer-as-Ethnologist: People's Park Revisited," in Greg Castillo and Lee Stickells eds., **Design Radicals: Spaces of Bay Area Counterculture** (Minneapolis: University of Minnesota Press, 2027, estimated).

"Designing the Radical Classroom: Anti-Disciplinary School Architecture and the Creative Child," in Greg Castillo and Lee Stickells eds., **Design Radicals: Spaces of Bay Area Counterculture** (Minneapolis: University of Minnesota Press, 2027, estimated).

Works in Progress:

Book Manuscript: "*Cities for an 'Open Society': Pluralism, Memory and Public Space in Anglo-American Urban Design, 1945-1979*"

This book is a political and cultural history of American urban design as a matrix for the formation of citizenship.

"Waste Lands: Kevin Lynch and the Aesthetic Politics of the Margin," [journal article], draft

"Reviving the City Beautiful in Urban Renewal America: Christopher Tunnard's Campaign for 'Grand Design,'" [journal article], draft

Conferences and Colloquia:

Conference paper: "'The Living Nuclei of Utopia': Murray Bookchin and the Architecture of Counterculture Communes," College Art Association (CAA) Annual Conference, Chicago, February 2026

Conference paper: "Planning for Ecotopia: "Sim Van Der Ryn's Urban (Re)Designs of Bay Area Suburbs, 1978-82," Urban History Association Conference, Los Angeles, October 2025

Conference paper: "In the Freeway's Shadow: The Failed Experiment of Justin Herman Plaza," Society of Architectural Historians Annual Conference, Atlanta, April 2025

Conference paper: "'Open Space' and 'Open Society': Modeling American Urban Citizenship in the Mid-1960s," 20th Conference on Planning History (SACRPH), San Diego, October 2024

Conference paper: "From Youth Conservation Corps to Urban Street Theatre: Karl Linn and the Design of Teenage Public Space," European Architectural History Network (EAHN) Conference, Athens, Greece, June 2024

Conference paper: "The Bio-Therapeutic Design Experiments of Karl Linn," PCA/ACA Conference (Popular Culture), Chicago, March 2024

Conference paper: "Shaping a Liberated Berkeley in the 1970s: Micro-Territorial Urbanism and the Rhetoric of 'Community Control,'" Urban History Association Conference, Pittsburgh, October 2023

Conference paper: "Commune Archipelago: Anti-Capitalist Housing in 1970s Berkeley," Society of Architectural Historians Annual Conference, Montreal, QC, April 2023

Conference paper: "Inventing Ecotopia: Experimental Urban Design in 1970s California," Mid-Term Conference, Katholische Universität Eichstätt-Ingolstadt, Germany, November 2022

Conference paper: "Revolution or Co-Evolution? Radical Ecology and Social Design in Berkeley, Circa 1970," ACSA Annual Conference (online), May 20, 2022

Conference paper: "Design as Self-Liberation: Karl Linn, Reichian Analysis, and Social Labor," Society of Architectural Historians Annual Conference (online), April 14, 2021

Conference paper: "Zoning against the Grain: People's Architecture and the Renegotiation of the Urban Commons," College Art Association (CAA) Annual Conference, Chicago, February 2020

Conference paper: "Performative Urbanism and Counterculture Aesthetics: Karl Linn and the Embodied Politics of the 'Neighborhood Commons,'" 17th Conference on Planning History (SACRPH), Arlington, VA, October/November 2019

Conference paper: "Waste Lands: Kevin Lynch and the Aesthetic Politics of the Margins," Society of Architectural Historians Annual Conference, Providence, RI, April 2019

Conference paper: "Ecology as Architekturwissenschaft: Sim Van Der Ryn and the Soft Science of Radical Design," Forum Architekturwissenschaft, Brandenburg Technical University, Cottbus, Germany, November 2018

Conference paper: "Designing a Liberated Berkeley: Radical Ecology and the Genesis of the 'Integral Neighborhood,'" Utopian Studies Conference, Berkeley, November 2018

Conference paper: "Educating a 'Creative Class': Anti-Disciplinary School Architecture in the Early 1970s," European Architectural History Network (EAHN) Conference, Tallinn, Estonia, June 2018

Conference paper: "From Consumer Choice to Self-Liberation: Environmental Design Research in 1960's Berkeley," 16th Conference on Planning History (SACRPH), Cleveland, October 2017

Conference paper: "These Charming Accidents of War: Photography, Ruin and Urban Aesthetics in Post-Blitz London," PCA/ACA Conference (Popular Culture), San Diego, April 2017

Conference paper: "A Counterculture Urbanism: Spatial Practices in Berkeley's Liberated Zone," Urban History Association Conference, Chicago, October 2016

Conference paper: "Territories of the Liberated Self: Counterculture City Planning in Berkeley and Cambridge, 1966-72," Aquarius Redux Symposium, Sydney, July 2016

Conference paper: "Provoking the 'Thingness' of History: The Anti-Teleological Hermeneutics of Steen Eiler Rasmussen," Association of Collegiate Schools of Architecture, Annual Conference, Seattle, March 2016

Conference paper: "Matrix of Endless Difference: Kevin Lynch's 'Poly-Centered Net' as Utopian Urban Form," 16th Conference on Planning History (SACRPH), Los Angeles, November 2015

Conference paper: "'Egalitarianism Has No Meaning Here': Hubert de Cronin Hastings and the Aesthetic Politics of Townscape," International Planning History Society (IPHS) Biennial Conference, St. Augustine, July 2014

Conference paper: "Ecological Politics, Public Space and the Designer-as-Ethnologist: People's Park Revisited," College Art Association (CAA) Annual Conference, Chicago, February 2014

Conference paper: "Inventing the 'Pluralist City': Kevin Lynch, Donald Appleyard and the Semiotics of Cultural Difference," 15th Conference on Planning History (SACRPH), Toronto, October 2013

Conference paper: "Staging Englishness: Visual Politics and the South Bank Exhibition," Society of Architectural Historians Annual Conference, Buffalo, NY, April 2013

Conference paper: "Baroque Spaces / Modern Subjects: A. E. Brinckmann and the 'Organic' City of 1920s Germany," Savannah Symposium: Modernities across Space and Time, Savannah, GA, February 2013

Conference paper: "Ending the Hegemony of 'Space': Steen Eiler Rasmussen and the Relativization of Baroque Aesthetics," European Architectural History Network (EAHN) Conference, Brussels, Belgium, May 2012

Conference paper: "Spectacle of the Hyper-Real: Environmental Simulation, Cybernetic Subjects, and Urban Design," Association of Collegiate Schools of Architecture, Annual Conference, Boston, MA, March 2012

Conference paper: "Simulating Spatial Experience in the People's Berkeley: The Urban Design Experiments of Donald Appleyard and Kenneth Craik," College Art Association (CAA) Annual Conference, Los Angeles, February 2012

Conference paper: "Mental Maps and Social Divides: Cybernetics, Sociology and Urban Design at MIT and Berkeley, 1951-72," Society of Architectural Historians Annual Conference, New Orleans, LA, April 2011

Conference paper: "From Urban Village to Metropolitan Picturesque": Precincts, Townscape, and the 'Cellular' Planning of World War II London," European Architectural History Network (EAHN) Conference, Guimarães, Portugal, June 2010

Conference paper: "Invented Dialects: José Luis Sert and the Latinization of 'International Style' Architecture," College Art Association (CAA) Annual Conference, Chicago, February 2010

Panel Chair: "Ecoart: The Ethics and Aesthetics of Sustainable Design," Special Session of the Northern California Art Historians, College Art Association (CAA) Conference, Chicago, February 2010

Conference paper: "Popularizing Architectural Aesthetics: The Idea of 'Experience' in the Work of Steen Eiler Rasmussen," PCA/ACA Conference (Popular Culture), New Orleans, April 2009

Conference paper: "Reimagining Civic Art in the Postwar Boom: Christopher Tunnard, Kevin Lynch and the Aesthetic Genesis of 'Imageability,'" International Planning History Association Conference, Chicago, July 2008.

Conference paper: "Inventing the Modern Agora: Urban Design, Social Transparency and Representation of 'Public Space' in the Post-World War II City," College Art Association Conference, Boston, February 2006.

Conference paper: "Dreaming the Renaissance City in the Era of Urban Renewal: Kevin Lynch's Florence and the Invention of Imageability," Urban History Association Conference, Milwaukee, Wisconsin: October 2004.

Colloquium paper: "Inventing Architectural Subjects: Functionalism, Imageability and the Rhetoric of Experience in American Urbanism of the 1960's," Buell Dissertation Colloquium, Columbia University, New York: May 2001.

Conference paper: "Physiognomy of a German Capital: Domenico Quaglio's *Münchner Ansichten* and the Aesthetic Resistance to Neo-Classical Urbanism," Mid-West Germanic Studies Conference: May 1996.

Colloquium paper: "Architectural Dream Time: Excavations in the Writings of Emil Kaufmann," Graduate Student Colloquium, Department of Art History, University of Chicago: April 1996.

Community and Professional Activities:

January 2026-present: **Board Member, Preservation Action Council of San Jose (PAC*SJ)**; PAC*SJ is the primary organization charged with lobbying on behalf of San Jose's historic architecture and landmarks.

July 2015-July 2023: **Commissioner, City of San Jose Historic Landmarks Commission**; Responsible for reviewing and commenting on proposals affecting historic buildings and resources.

Summer 2017: **Juror** for Bauer Prize of the **American Society of City and Regional Planning History (SACRPH)**.

2009-2012, **Editor** for **Lift Off Catalog**, annual catalog of the Lift Off Exhibition of graduating MFA students at San Jose State University; edited curatorial essays and artists' statements.

2002-2004, **Historical Consultant** for the **Landmarks Preservation Council of Illinois**: Researched and wrote "National Register of Historic Places Nomination Form for the Farnsworth House," 2003.

Assisted in organizing **Embodied Utopias** conference at the University of Chicago: 1998-99.

Editor on the staff of the **Chicago Art Journal**: 1996-97

Memberships and Affiliations:

- College Art Association
- Society of Architectural Historians
- European Architectural History Network
- Society of American City and Regional Planning History
- Urban History Association
- International Planning History Society

Foreign Languages:

German, fluent in reading, writing and speaking
Danish, fluent in reading, writing and speaking
French, fluent in reading, competent in writing and speaking