
BIO

Eric is a native Daytonian with over 30 years of experience as an award winning professional registered and CLARB Certified Landscape Architect and Project Management Professional. Eric's professional experience includes all aspects of firm and project management as a principal in two firms he established. This experience required him to become proficient in many facets of business management beyond the professional practice of landscape architecture. His experience includes policy development, staff hiring, development and management, establishing and managing budgets, IT needs including networking, communications, web presence and technology needs. He has successfully worked as a design team leader as well as a sub consultant on a variety of teams and project types, further developing his understanding of the built environment well beyond that of typical landscape architecture. He is well versed in marketing and sales in order to generate required firm work. Eric has assisted clients in submitting grants for project funding and is comfortable leading community and public meetings required for information gathering and input.

Eric's primary focus of practice currently includes the development of Five Rivers MetroParks park master plans and major capital projects. His career has always focused on and continues to include the integration of Low Impact Development, stormwater management and green technologies such as permeable pavements, rainwater harvesting, green roofs, rain gardens and bioswales. This experience has allowed Eric to focus on broad big picture scheme that has helped to improve the overall environmental and economic health of the local region. Eric was the first to design and oversee the installation of permeable pavements and rain gardens in the Miami Valley which are still functioning well today. His expertise in landscape contracting, interior plantscaping, interior and exterior horticultural maintenance, and as a certified landscape irrigation auditor (CLIA), have allowed him to develop projects that are highly sustainable and at the same time are sensitive to the needs of his clients. He understands the needs of the contractors he works with in order to effectively develop construction and bid documents as well as effectively communicating with them through implementation to reduce and eliminate the need for costly change orders. Eric has always valued and continues to pursue technology as a tool to produce better finished projects. He utilizes Cad and GIS technology to help understand his project sites more effectively. He also utilizes a range of graphic software that also helps to portray concepts to his clients. He has practiced in a wide range of project areas including regional, community and redevelopment planning, master planning, parks and recreation, institutional, commercial, residential development and residential projects.

Eric has been active in various leadership positions in American Society of Landscape Architects (ASLA) his entire professional career. These positions have helped him to stay ahead of developing trends happening in other parts of the country and around the world. His political involvement on the national level has also helped to ensure program funding for valuable projects such as alternative transportation and green infrastructure that have benefited a wide range of clients and organizations at the local level. He recently completed serving his second term as the Ohio Chapter Trustee and serving on the National Professional Practice Committee. Eric has served as the chair of the Open Committee on Design Build (Now PPN- two terms), Chapter Section Secretary and Treasurer, Chapter Section Chair (three terms) Vice President of Legislative Affairs (two terms), National Nominating Committee, National Audit Committee, National Legislative Affairs Committee and two terms as the Ohio Chapter President. He has been honored for his service to the profession with the Ohio Chapter Medal, the Ohio Chapter of ASLA's highest honor as well as receiving the Chapter Service Award twice. Eric also led the Ohio Chapter through its seven-year successful effort to upgrade its title law to a full practice act.

Eric is an active community leader and serves his community in numerous capacities including an eight-year term on the Turtlecreek Township Zoning Board. Eric also served the township at the county level with volunteer efforts with the Warren County Regional Planning Commission. Eric is a member of the steering committee for the Partners for the Environment. Eric is active in land preservation having served on the boards of trustees for both BW Greenway as president and for the Three Valley Conservation Trust which combined oversee over 20,000 acres of conservation easements and owned properties. These organizations have helped him understand the methods required to put sensitive properties under easements which will protect them indefinitely. Eric has also served on the board of the Wildlife Conservation Foundation for Ohio, which provides facilities and opportunities for disabled children and veterans to experience the natural environment. He currently serves as a lay minister and has served as the chairman of the Board of Trustees for his

church which included the direct oversight of a million-dollar renovation of the church facility. Eric also has served as a committee member and chair of the Board for Cub Scout Pack 193, and currently serves as a Boy Scout merit badge counselor for several awards including the Landscape Architecture Merit Badge.

Eric is a nationally awarded orchid grower and speaker. He is a published writer with chapters in two books and a recent article in The Orchid Digest. He currently serves as the President of the Miami Valley Orchid Society and served as Congress Chair for the 18 state Mid American Orchid Congress which was held in Dayton in October of 2013 and February of 2020. His other interests include gardening, photography, traveling, cycling, scuba diving as a certified rescue diver, and spending time with his wife and two children.

REGISTRATIONS AND CERTIFICATIONS

Landscape Architect, State of Ohio Registration Number 867
Landscape Architect, State of Indiana Registration Number 29300007
Council of Landscape Architecture Registration Boards File #1741
LEED Accredited Professional
Project Management Professional (PMP) 2017

EDUCATION

Bachelor of Landscape Architecture, Ball State University – June 1991

WORK EXPERIENCE

Five Rivers MetroParks, Dayton, Ohio- March 2014 to Present
Park Planning Manager

CYP Studios, Centerville, Ohio – June 2010 to June 2014
Founding Principal

Envision-Works, Inc, Kettering, Ohio – October 2000 to June 2010
Vice President and Founding Principal

Thornton Landscape, Maineville, Ohio – April 1994 to October 2000
Landscape Sales, Design & Horticultural Maintenance

Delhi Landscape Services, Cincinnati, Ohio – May 1992 to April 1994
Designer and Draftsman

Something Different Interior Plantscaping, Cincinnati, Ohio – June 1991 to April 1992
Sales and Design

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS, ACHIEVMENTS AND VOLUNTEER SERVICE

Professional Organizations

Member, American Society of Landscape Architects- 1991-2015
Professional Affiliate Member, AIA Dayton, 2011-2012
Member, Great Miami Riverway, 2010-Present
Member, Great Miami River Watershed Network- 2009-Present
Member- Home Builders Association, Dayton- 1996-2002
Member- Associated Landscape Contractors of America- 1996-2000

Publications

Maxillaria, Orchid Digest, January 2021
The Genus Phragmipedium, Culture, 2018
The Genus Paphiopedilum, Culture, 2014
Centerville Reports Today, Green Improvements, 2013
Alaska Airlines, Rules to Design By, July 2012
Centerville Reports Today, Home Landscaping, 2012
Centerville Reports Today- Low Impact Development- 2010
Landscape Architecture and Specifier News- From Concept to Completion- 1999
Landscape Architect and Specifier News- A Place to Come Home To- 1996
Landscape Architect and Specifier News- Design Build Approach to Landscape Architecture-1995
This Old House Magazine
The Slipper Orchid Alliance Newsletter
InSite- Design Build Options- 1995

Professional Speaking and Leadership

President, Board of Trustees, BW Greenway, 2013-2016
Board of Trustees, Three Valley Conservation Trust, 2013-2016
Steering Committee, Partners for the Environment- 2012- Present Current Co-Chair
Board of Directors, Wildlife Conservation Foundation for Ohio- 2011- 2014
Ohio Chapter Trustee- American Society of Landscape Architects – 2007-2013
ASLA Professional Practice Committee- 2011- 2013
ASLA Audit Committee- 2009-2011
Ohio Chapter President-Ohio Chapter Executive Committee- 1998-2000
Ohio Chapter Licensure Upgrade Committee- 1998-2005
Vice President of Legislative Affairs- Ohio Chapter Executive Committee- 2000-2002 & 2006-2007
Awards Juror- Ohio Chapter, American Society of Landscape Architect- 2008
Government Affairs Advisory Committee- American Society of Landscape Architects- 2003
Miami Section Chair- Ohio Chapter Executive Committee- 1994-1997 and 2003-2005
Nomination Committee- American Society of Landscape Architects- 1999-2000
Open Committee Chair-Design Build- American Society of Landscape Architects- 1991-1994
HBA- Associates Advisory Council- Dayton, Ohio 1997-1999
HBA- Designers Round Table- 1998
HBA Site Selection Committee- 1997-1998

Speaker- Miami Valley Zoning Workshop- 2012, 2013, 2014, 2015, 2016, 2017, 2018
Speaker- City of Centerville Resident Lecture, 2013, 2014, 2015
Speaker- Miami Valley Gardening Conference- 2013, 2015
Speaker- Home and Garden Show- 2012, 2013
Speaker- City of Centerville Resident Lecture, 2012, 2013
Speaker- Ohio State University Short Course- Columbus, Ohio-2012
Speaker- Ohio Gardening Sustainability on Horticulture, Five Rivers MetroParks- 2011
Speaker- Miami Valley Organic Master Gardeners- 2011
Speaker- Stander Symposium, University of Dayton- 2011
Speaker- Home and Garden Show- 2011
Speaker- University of Dayton Rivers Leadership Institute- 2011
Speaker- Miami Valley Gardening Conference- 2011
Speaker- Centerville City Council Training Session- 2010
Speaker- Centerville Rotary- 2010
Speaker- Home and Garden Show- 2010
Speaker- Stormwater Seminar 2009- 2010
Speaker- Miami Valley Planning and Zoning Workshop- 2010
Speaker- NAHB National Green Building Program- 2009
Speaker- University of Dayton Civil Engineering Department- 2009

Speaker- AIA Dayton- 2009
Speaker- Stormwater Seminar 8- 2009
Speaker- Ohio Chapter ASLA Annual Meeting- 2009
Speaker- There's Gold in Green Homebuilders and Developer's Workshop- 2008
Speaker- University of Dayton Civil Engineering Department- 2008
Speaker- Tree City USA Conference- Oakwood, Ohio - 2008
Speaker- Vandalia Rotary- 2008
Speaker- Ohio Valley Chapter Community Associations Institute- 2007
Speaker- Construction Specifications Institute- Dayton Miami Valley Chapter- 2007
Speaker- Environmental Education Council of Ohio- 2007
Speaker- Ohio Nursery Short Course- 2007
Speaker- Mothers of Preschoolers- 2007
Speaker- AIA Dayton- 2006
Speaker- Ohio Association of Cemetery Superintendents and Officials Annual Meeting- 2006
Speaker- Miami Valley Gardening Conference- 2006
Speaker- Ohio Nursery Short Course- 2002
Speaker- Professional Landscape and Nursery Trade Show- 2001
Speaker- Ohio Planning and Zoning Workshop- 1999
Speaker- Native Plant Symposium- 1998
Speaker- Ohio Planning and Zoning Workshop- 1997

Professional Awards

Merit Award- Ohio Chapter ASLA- Design: Constructed, Milton Union K-12, 2013
Ohio Chapter Service Award- Ohio, American Society of Landscape Architects- 2013
Newcomer Award, Miami Valley Council, Boy Scouts of America, 2013
HNA Hardscape Project Design Award- Miami Conservancy District- 2010
Dayton Splash Pads- Meritorious Award, OPRA- 2004
Ohio Chapter Medal- Ohio Chapter, American Society of Landscape Architects- 2001
Ohio Chapter Service Award- Ohio, American Society of Landscape Architects- 2002
American Orchid Society Affiliated Society Award for Service
American Orchid Society, Cultural and Quality Awards- 78 Awards to Date
Beechmont & Salem Plaza-1998 Civic Beautification Award
Phillips Residence-1997 & 1998 Civic Beautification Award
Vignolo Residence-1997 Civic Beautification Award

Community Service & Non-Professional Organization Membership, Speaking and Leadership

Member, Dayton Art Institute, 2013-Present
Campus Ministry Team, Emmanuel Lutheran Church, 2014- Present
Call Committee, Emmanuel Lutheran Church, 2016-2020 (Chair 2020)
Congress Chair, Mid America Orchid Congress, Fall 2013, Spring 2020
Dayton Christian Senior Gift Outdoor Classroom- 2013
Springfield Site Planning Roundtable, 2012-2013
Elder, Emmanuel Lutheran Church, 2012-Present
Dayton Christian Schools Master Plan, 2012-2016
Member, Turtlecreek Township Zoning Board, 2004-2012
Ball State University Orchid and Research Greenhouse Renovation Committee- 2010-2014
Corporate Sponsor, Bruckner Nature Center- 2010-2014
Landscape Architecture Counselor, Merit Badge College, 2008-Present
Pack Committee Member, Cub Scout Pack 193, 2011-2016
Pack Treasurer, Cub Scout Pack 193, 2013-Present
Bruckner Nature Center Volunteer, 2010-2016
Committee Member, Zoning Code Rewrite, City of Dayton, 2004-2005
Butterfly Playground Design and Construction, Washington Township, 2009-2015

Edison School Prairie and Outdoor Education Center, 2010-2013
Call Committee, Emmanuel Lutheran Church, 2009-2011
Chair, Board of Trustees, Emmanuel Lutheran Church, 2004-2007
Outdoor Youth Gathering Plaza, Emmanuel Lutheran Church, 2006
Landscape and Entry Plaza Improvements, Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, 2000-2004
Member, Miami Valley Orchid Society-1989-Present
President, Miami Valley Orchid Society- 1995-1999 and 2005-2008, 2014-Present
Vice President, Miami Valley Orchid Society, 1989-1995, 2008-2014
Show Chairman, Miami Valley Orchid Society, 2003-2006
Sales Chairman, Miami Valley Orchid Society, 1995-1998 and 2009-Present
Member, American Orchid Society, 1989-Present

Speaker, Orchid Society of the Royal Botanic Gardens, Toronto, Canada, 2020
Speaker, West Shore Orchid Society, 2020
Speaker, Michigan Orchid Society, Multiple Dates
Speaker, Utah Orchid Society, Multiple Dates
Speaker, Denver Orchid Society, Multiple Dates
Speaker, Omaha Orchid Society, Multiple Dates
Speaker, Essex County Orchid Society, Windsor, Ontario, Canada, 2014
Speaker, Charlottesville Orchid Society, Charlottesville, VA, 2013
Speaker, Virginia Orchid Society, Richmond, VA, 2012
Speaker, Paphiopedilum Forum, Washington D.C., 2012
Speaker, Garden Academy, Dayton Home and Garden Show, 2012
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Speaker, Miami Valley Orchid Society, Multiple Dates
Speaker, Orchid Society of Western Pennsylvania, Multiple Dates
Speaker, Greater Cincinnati Orchid Society, Multiple Dates
Speaker, Ann Arbor Orchid Society, Multiple Dates
Speaker, Kentucky Orchid Society, Multiple Dates
Speaker, Blue Grass Orchid Society, Multiple Dates
Speaker, Central Indiana Orchid Society, Multiple Dates
Speaker, Central Ohio Orchid Society, Multiple Dates
Speaker, Greater Cleveland Orchid Society, Multiple Dates
Speaker, Michiana Orchid Society, Multiple Dates
Speaker, Orchid Growers Guild of Madison, 2004
Speaker, Kingwood Orchid Society, 2003
Speaker, Tulsa Orchid Society, Multiple Dates
Speaker, Oklahoma Orchid Society, Multiple Dates
Speaker, South West Regional Orchid Grower's Association Show, 1998
Speaker, Hilltop Orchids Annual Open House, 2004, 2011, 2013

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