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EDUCATION

Bachelor of Arts Degree in Liberal Studies from the University of the State of New York, March 27, 1981 (based on credits earned at Columbia College and Plymouth State College)

PROFESSIONAL EMPLOYMENT

Architectural History

1982-1990, 1995 Lakes Region Planning Commission

Architectural Historian on part time consultant basis.

Selective architectural surveys in Ashland, Bristol, Ossipee, Center Harbor, Tilton, Alton, Northfield, Holderness, Hebron, New Hampton, Danbury, Barnstead, Gilford
Survey of mill buildings with available commercial and residential space.

Architectural survey of public library buildings in entire region.

Wrote book on Lakes Region's public library buildings.

Completed two-thirds of survey of region's churches.

Wrote book on churches of Belknap County.

National Register nominations for 48 individual structures (1 residence, 21 churches, 4 town halls, 3 schools, 10 libraries, 4 covered bridges, 3 railroad stations, 2 hotels) and 11 historic districts (with a total of 285 buildings)

Determinations of Eligibility for Gilford Public Library, and 2 downtown Laconia buildings, St. James Episcopal Church and Sewall House

Wrote guides to National Register properties and historic districts in Lakes Region.

Worked on Route 16 survey

1982-1983 Dublin Conservation Commission

Consultant to volunteers preparing a Multiple Resource National Register nomination for town of Dublin.

1984 U.S. Forest Service

Wrote part of National Register nomination for George House, Albany

1985 Town of Westminster, Vermont

National Register Historic District nomination for village of Westminster, Vermont

1987 Hancock Historical Society

National Register Historic District nomination for village of Hancock

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- 1987 Town of Winchester, Community Development Office
National Register nominations for Winchester Town Hall and Conant Public Library, Winchester
- 1987 N.H. Division of Historical Resources
Architectural survey of Murray Hill section of Hill, (used to prepare a National Register Historic District nomination)
- 1989-1990 Town of Loudon
National Register nomination for Loudon Town Hall
- 1992 Town of Sutton
National Register nomination for Pillsbury Memorial Hall, Sutton
- 1992-1993 Preservation Company, Kensington
Worked on historic buildings survey along Route 106 from Concord to Laconia
- 1995 Northfield/Tilton Economic Development Corp., Tilton
Wrote text for Tilton Northfield Historical Walking Tour brochure
- 1997 John Conkling, New Hampton
National Register nomination for Washington Mooney House, New Hampton
- 1997 Fred Martin, Stark
Historic inventory form for Martin Homestead, Stark
- 1997 Town of New Hampton
National Register nomination for New Hampton Town House
- 1997 Municipal Consulting Group, Windham
Historic inventory form for Way School, Claremont
- 1998 AHEAD, Inc., Littleton
Historic inventory forms for Maplehurst Hotel, Bethlehem and Bilodeau Block, Littleton
- 1999-2002 Deerfield Heritage Commission
National Register Historic District nomination for Deerfield Center
- 2001 U. S. Forest Service
Determinations of Eligibility for Gorham Fire Equipment Depot and Androscoggin District Office, Gorham

- 2001 Town of Stark
Determination of Eligibility for Methodist Parsonage, Stark
- 2001 Tri County Community Action Program, Berlin
Determination of Eligibility for Libbey House, Whitefield
- 2002 Hooksett School District
Historic inventory form for Martin-Welcome House, Hooksett
- 2002 Tri-County Community Action Program, Berlin
Historic inventory form for Burch House, Bethlehem
- 2003 Thompson-Ames Historical Society, Gilford
Wrote part of historic inventory form for Union Meetinghouse, Gilford
- 2003 Tri-County Community Action Program, Berlin
Historic inventory form for Cote Block, Berlin
- 2004 Samyn-D'Elia Architects, Ashland
Prepared part of historic inventory form for Laconia Elks Lodge, Laconia
- 2005 Holderness School, Holderness
National Register nomination for Chapel of the Holy Cross, Holderness School, Holderness
- 2005-2006 Tri-County Community Action Program, Berlin
Historic inventory forms for Blais Building and Stahl Block, Berlin
- 2006 Town of Meredith
Historic inventory form for French-Van Dine camp, Meredith
- 2006 Town of Lempster, Friends of Lempster Library, Lempster Historical Society
National Register nomination for First Universalist Chapel of Lempster, now the Miner Memorial Library
- 2006 Gilford Historic District and Heritage Commission
National Register nomination for Benjamin Rowe House, Gilford

Other Research

- 1983-1984 Prof. Thomas Dublin, University of California at San Diego
Part time research assistant on a study of women's employment in New England between 1830 and 1880

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1983-1984 New Hampshire Historical Society, Concord
Part time research assistant for exhibition "New Hampshire Tools and Toolmakers"

1985-1987 Committee for a New England Bibliography
Review and update of New Hampshire section for Volume 8 of the Bibliography of New England History

1993-97 New Hampshire Save Outdoor Sculpture! Project
Project director
Recruited, trained and supervised volunteers preparing survey forms on public outdoor sculpture in New Hampshire, as part of a national survey
Reviewed forms, did additional research and fieldwork, complete forms as needed
Organized four workshops on care of outdoor sculpture
Wrote booklet on problems of outdoor sculpture and appropriate ways to find help for those problems

NATIONAL REGISTER NOMINATIONS (arranged by building type)

Whipple House, Ashland
Kimball Castle, Gilford
Washington Mooney House, New Hampton
Benjamin Rowe House, Gilford
First Free Will Baptist Church and Vestry, Ashland
Centre Congregational Church, Gilmanton
Northfield Union Church, Northfield
Trinity Church, Holderness
First Free Will Baptist Church in Granite, Ossipee
Bay Meetinghouse, Sanbornton
Episcopal Church of St. John The Baptist, Wakefield
Dana Meeting House, New Hampton
New Hampton Community Church, New Hampton
St. Mark's Episcopal Church, Ashland
Cotton Mountain Community Church, Wolfeboro
United Baptist Church of Lakeport, Laconia
South Danbury Christian Church, Danbury
Hill Center Church, Hill
Evangelical Baptist Church, Laconia
North Sandwich Friends Meeting House, Sandwich
Oak Hill Meetinghouse, Meredith
North Holderness Free Baptist Church, Holderness
First Baptist Church of Gilmanton, Gilmanton
First Congregational Church, Alton
Second Free Baptist Church, Alton
Chapel of the Holy Cross, Holderness

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First Universalist Chapel, Lempster
Ashland Town Hall, Ashland
Brewster Memorial Hall, Wolfeboro
Brookfield Town Hall, Brookfield
Winchester Town Hall, Winchester
Moultonborough Town House, Moultonboro
Loudon Town Hall, Loudon
Pillsbury Memorial Hall, Sutton
New Hampton Town House, New Hampton
Laconia District Court, Laconia
Ashland Junior High School, Ashland
Gilmanton Academy, Gilmanton
Wakefield Public Library, Wakefield
Benjamin M. Smith Memorial Library, Meredith
Holderness Free Library, Holderness
Gale Memorial Library, Laconia
Belmont Public Library, Belmont
Oscar Foss Memorial Library, Barnstead
Ossian Wilbur Goss Reading Room, Laconia
Conant Public Library, Winchester
Minot-Sleeper Library, Bristol
Gordon-Nash Library, New Hampton
Gilmanton Iron Works Public Library, Gilmanton
Durgin Bridge, Sandwich
Whittier Bridge, Ossipee
Keniston Bridge, Andover
Bog Bridge, Andover
Ashland Railroad Station, Ashland
Alton Bay Railroad Station, Alton
Potter Place Railroad Station, Andover
Holderness Inn, Holderness
Union Hotel, Wakefield
Central Square Historic District, Bristol
Tilton Downtown Historic District, Tilton
Centre Harbor Village Historic District, Center Harbor
Monument Square Historic District, Alton
Center Sandwich Historic District, Sandwich
Wakefield Village Historic District, Wakefield
Veterans Square Historic District, Laconia
Hebron Village Historic District, Hebron
Lord's Hill Historic District, Effingham
Lower Corner Historic District, Sandwich
Westminster Village Historic District, Westminster, Vermont
Hancock Village Historic District, Hancock

East Andover Village Center Historic District, Andover
Deerfield Center Historic District, Deerfield

PUBLICATIONS IN ART HISTORY

“The Round Meetinghouses of New Hampshire and Vermont” HISTORICAL NEW HAMPSHIRE, vol. XXXVI, no. 2 and 3, (Summer/Fall, 1981) pp. 171-94

“The Bird’s Eye Views of New Hampshire: 1875-1899” HISTORICAL NEW HAMPSHIRE, vol. XXXVIII, no. 1 (Spring 1983) entire issue. Also published under separate cover as the catalog for the traveling N.H. Historical Society exhibit, “Downtown New Hampshire: A Bird’s Eye View of Growth and Decline”

PUBLIC LIBRARIES IN THE LAKES REGION, AN ARCHITECTURAL SURVEY (Lakes Region Planning Commission, Meredith, N.H.: 1986) 96 pp.

A GUIDE TO NATIONAL REGISTER PROPERTIES IN THE LAKES REGION (Lakes Region Planning Commission, Meredith, N.H.: 1986) 144 pp.

A GUIDE TO NATIONAL REGISTER HISTORIC DISTRICTS IN THE LAKES REGION (Lakes Region Planning Commission, Meredith, N.H.: 1988) 122 pp.

NO STONE UNTURNED: SAVING OUTDOOR SCULPTURE! (New Hampshire SOS!: 1994) 35 pp.

TILTON NORTHFIELD HISTORICAL WALKING TOUR (Northfield/Tilton Economic Development Corp. Tilton, N.H.: 1995) unpagged brochure

THE HISTORIC CHURCHES OF BELKNAP COUNTY (Lakes Region Planning Commission, Meredith, N.H.: 1995) 186 pp.