

Andrea Ayers-Esplen

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Aspirations:

I chose architecture for its creativity and spectrum of opportunity. The act and art of design brings out a passion for life and people. I want to help provoke in society and the individual what architecture has done for me. With a strong background in communications and a dedication to the job at hand, what I can contribute to a firm and to the world should be equal or greater to what I have and will receive.

Education:

1995 - 2001 - Ottawa, Ontario, Canada
Carleton University; School of Architecture

5 year Bachelor of Architecture degree from Carleton University. This is a professional degree program. Focus on Studio based projects covering such objectives as "The City as Theatre" and "Thresholds in Neighbourhoods", as well as a series of individually provoked projects including a historical perspective on spatial habitation. Key to our program is also one term away from the school on the Directed Studies Abroad Program, which I attended in London England. Emphasis placed on craftsmanship and attention to detail. Experience in model making, rendering, research and computers, including some office work. Self initiated knowledge of most drawing programs such as Photoshop, PageMaker, Corel Xara, Corel Draw, Illustrator, Microsoft Office and AutoCAD. As well as my thesis, professional courses in design economics and professional practise were also taken

2001- Introduction to AutoCAD completed at Algonquin College

1998 - Completed Beginner French at Algonquin College with focus on Oral Workforce French

1993 -1995 - Two years of Political Science completed at the University of Manitoba, Winnipeg, Manitoba

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Experience:

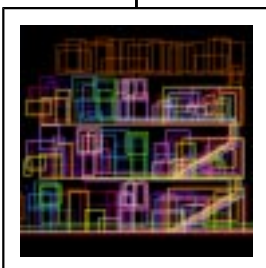
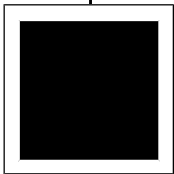
July 2003 – Present – Christchurch, England
QP Architecture
Architectural Assistant

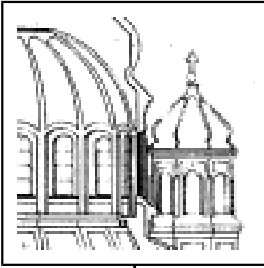
- Computer aided design of moderate scale housing and a range of healthcare projects from hospital refurbishment, GP surgeries (Including LIFT) up to new Diagnostic and Treatment Centres.
- Feasibility Studies of mid-size residential sites and mid-range healthcare facilities
- Responsible for preparing planning and building control applications of residential and health care buildings.
- Responsible for interior material selection on large public buildings
- Other duties include producing presentation material in AutoCAD and Illustrator, some model making and producing tender and construction packages, including room data sheets, risk assessments, and a range of schedules.

May 2002 – June 2003 – London, England
Robert Dye Associates
Architectural Assistant

- Computer aided design of small residential and mixed-use projects
- Job running experience including, specification, detail and tender experience
- Client and local authority liaison as well as all administrative work for a project including contract, correspondence, minutes and invoicing.
- Participation in the coordination of Software and IT priorities for the company
- Responsible for the creating and maintaining of the company's portfolio.

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Experience - Cont'd:

January 2002 - April 2002 - London, England
Boyarsky Murphy Architects
Temporary Contract Work

- Created a presentation panel on Urbanism for an International conference.
- Created and designed a portfolio for the firm including doing research and PR to look at the market and where the firm could increase its opportunities
- Worked on a Competition for a library and cultural centre in Sittingbourne, Kent.

May, 2001 - October, 2001 - Ottawa, Ontario, Canada
Student's Design Clinic
Designer
Independent from, but located at Carleton University School of Architecture
Contract work with residential clients including:

- Contract negotiation
- Cosmetic and structural design work from closets to complete new homes
- Research and knowledge of local and provincial building codes and zoning
- Worked in teams for design sessions with clients
- Acquired skills in measuring up existing building

September, 1998 - October, 2001 - Ottawa, Ontario, Canada
Technical Data Room - Carleton University School of Architecture
Coordinator/Manager

Responsible for all activity within the resource centre, including:

- Managing staff, work schedules, meetings with university officials, mediation between staff and university.
- Organization of current stock, Inventory, promotion of resource centre and of donations.

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April 27, 1998 - August 26, 2000 - Ottawa, Ontario, Canada
Artistic Landscape Designs
Cashier

Responsible for all aspects of cash, including deliveries, taking orders, and assisted in helping landscapers. A focus on customer service as well as taking care of plants, receptionist for the landscapers, taking phone orders, cleaning, writing up invoices, general customer assistance as well as training of new employees, displays and stock inventory.

June, 1995 - August, 1995 - Winnipeg, Manitoba, Canada
Royal Canadian Mounted Police
Data Entry and Transcriber

Worked with project "Destroy" which included an enhanced knowledge of specialized computer systems, handling of top secret information as well as good communication skills.

Interests:

- Volunteering, political, healthcare and for service organizations
- Travelling, I have been across Canada, Northern United States, United Kingdom, France, Belgium, Holland, Sweden, Finland and Russia.
- Competitive Swimming, both participating and watching
- Jewellery making, Various Needlework disciplines, Interior Design, Trend Prediction, Painting & Sculpture
- Learning and manipulating Design, World Wide Web and Internet technologies, including creating and maintaining my own websites using straight HTML.

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