
Design & Architecture

Kathleen Kurtin Architect

||Toronto, Canada 2017-Present||

Drew permit, tender and construction documents for residential renovations and new-builds. Managed multiple projects in the framework of a small practice. Completed extensive millwork and interior designs and drawings.

Mr. Scorpio

||Toronto, Canada 2009-2017||

Wrote and illustrated Mr. Whiskers, a book for adults and older children. 60 illustrations in pen, ink, and watercolour. Won commission for municipal sculpture, and completed working drawings for log and steel sculpture, with solar powered fiber optics. Also multiple residential renovations and cottage designs.

Coolearth Architecture Inc.

||Toronto, Canada 2015-2016||

Operation in a sustainable practice. Working drawings and engineering co-ordination for retail project. 3-D modeling and Revit animation for 401 Richmond project solar power feasibility study. Completed development plan and budget for non-profit seniors' housing; also developed unit plans and façade design.

RAW Design

||Toronto, Canada 2015||

Completed working drawings and permit sets for a cottage in Wasaga Beach; working drawings and permit sets for three wood-frame condo presentation centers; and completed working drawings for a renovation of the Tannery, an award-winning architectural design in Waterloo. Also did some Photoshop work.

Brad Humphrey Architect, Ltd.

||Hinton, Alberta 2012-2013||

Completed floor plans and facade design for retail/commercial building initial design. Completed working drawings for townhouse condo. Initial design of mountain lodge. Residential reno: design & construction documents. Familiar with Jasper National Park by-laws.

Architecture, Technical Language & Outdoor Skills

Language

Fluent: Italian | Spanish | French | English
Basic: Arabic | Ancient Greek | Russian

Outdoor Skills

Canoe Tripping | Hiking | Mountaineering | Skiing

Architecture

Design/construction documents + project management. Procuring work & functioning as client liaison.

Computer

Revit | AutoCAD | SketchUp | Apple + PC | Photoshop | Illustrator | InDesign | Vectorworks | FormZ | Wordpress | Microsoft Office Suite

Illustration

Pen + Ink | Watercolour | Adobe Photoshop | Illustrator | Architectural Illustrations

Writing

Media | News Columnist | Children\Adult Fiction

Education

Master of Architecture 2014

University of Waterloo School of Architecture
- RAIC Honour Roll

B.A.S. Hons. 2009

University of Waterloo School of Architecture

BA, Literature & Languages, 2002

University of Calgary

Private Language Coursework:

Russian: private classes || Pionersky, Russia 2003

Spanish: Acaupa School || Cusco, Peru 2004

Arabic: private classes || Toronto, Canada 2012

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Competition Work

Scattering Garden Competition

||Niagara-on-the-Lake, Ontario 2015||

- Landscape scattering garden design, in partnership with Mathew Winter.

Blank Space Fairy Tales Competition

||Online, 2014||

- Team leader of architecture drawing & fiction submission, in partnership with Mathew Winter.

Jardin de Métis Competition

||Quebec, 2010||

- Team leader with engineer and graphic designer. Co-designed landscape. Completed drawings, renderings & write-up. Worked bilingually in French.

Sculpture Competition

||Hinton, Alberta 2009||

- First prize winner. \$15,000 public sculpture design built in front of municipality building.

Toronto Sculpture Garden Competition

||Toronto, Ontario 2012||

- Sculpture design entry, for small garden in the city.

Complesso Scolastico Competition

||Palermo, Italy 2008||

- Designed landscape + graphic design for school in Vignola, in conjunction with Bellomo Studio + structural engineer. Worked in Italian.

Publication, Exhibition & Writing

The Adventures of Goat

||2013-2015||

- Novel with illustrations. Work in Progress.

“No Training Wheels Needed Here” Toronto Star

||Toronto, Canada 2011||

- Published: Bikes on Wheels Queen West, designed by Bellomo & Shea is in the news.

“Storegazing: A Kensington cycling institution opens a second location” TheStar.com

||Toronto, Canada 2011||

- Published: Bikes on Wheels

“Best Place to Buy a New Bike” Monocle Magazine

||Travel Issue June 2011||

- Published: Bikes on Wheels

“Thoughts on Houses,” The Hinton Voice

||Hinton, Alberta 2012||

- Wrote humorous monthly design column.

Interview 25

||Toronto & New York 2011-12||

- Conducted interviews with 25 young designers, illustrators, musicians + filmmakers.

Rome Show

||Cambridge, Ontario 2009||

- Exhibited architecture sketchbook, viewable [here](#).

Teaching Experience & International Research

“Fearless Thesis,” Talk

University of Waterloo School of Architecture 2016

“On Empathy,” Talk

University of Waterloo School of Architecture 2015

Teaching Assistant & Guest Critic

University of Waterloo School of Architecture 2014

Graduate Fieldwork, Imaginary Space

Italy + Greece + Turkey Jan-Apr 2014

Guest Critic & Interpreter

Polytechnic University José Antonio Echeverría, Facultad de Arquitectura. Havana, Cuba. 2006

Interviewer

Interviewed architects from Ministry of Interior. Havana, Cuba. Spoke Spanish. 2006

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