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PROFILE

Custom Home Designer and Licensed Realtor® with diverse work experience in design, manufacturing, construction, and real estate consulting, focused on helping people decide between renovating and selling through his unique program, **Fix or Find**.

CAREER EXPERIENCE

Fix or Find & Sutton Group West Coast Realty, Custom Home Designer and Realtor® Abbotsford, BC (September 2018-Present)

- Fix or Find – Provides the knowledge, experience, and information needed in order to help clients make well informed choices about renovating, selling, buying, building, or downsizing.

Archonomics Canada, Inc., Contractor

Abbotsford/Langley, BC (August 2010-Present)

- Design Consulting – Freelance design consultant and detailer for residential and commercial renovations and new construction, specializing in modern stairs, railings, and architectural glass.
- Structural Steel – Shop drawing production and project management for Xtreme EffeX Custom Ironworks and Fabrication. Managed large scale commercial and residential steel fabrication and installation.

TRO Jung | Brannen, Project Designer

Boston, MA (Sept 2007-June 2008)

- International Hospitality – Designed contextual Islamic elevation strategies for residential prototypes; master planned public sequence, retail distribution, and parking for 30,000m² retail district; and guided design development phase of 45,000m² hotel within \$3b+ resort destination developments in UAE, Oman, and Morocco.
- Graphic Design – Developed new graphic standard for concept design reports and presentation boards while maintaining client's product familiarity throughout merger of two firms to secure \$1.7b project.
- Healthcare – Led team of 4 through schematic and design development phases of \$25m, 70,000ft² hospital expansion in Gardner, MA. Balanced client's traditional design sensibilities with firm's reputation for designing progressive facilities.

Burns + Beyerl Architects, Project Manager

Chicago, IL (Sept 2005-July 2007)

- High-End Residential – Led 3 person design team; authored complete construction documents for \$4m, 10,000ft² pool house; designed high-rise condo renovation and coordinated fabrication of custom furniture; quickly and independently produced schematic design pricing sets for single family gut renovations and additions ranging from \$250k to \$2m.
- Sustainable Design – Advocated for practical inclusion of environmentally sensitive building systems, use of passive architectural strategies, and specification of sustainable local building products.
- International Hospitality – Created successful site strategy for \$9.5m luxury cliff side resort development in Negril, Jamaica using 3D modeling tools. Issued construction documents at 3 week intervals as primary member of production team for 20 bedroom hotel, 4 private villas, restaurant, sports bar, spa, exercise building, and wedding pavilion.

Wiss, Janney, Elstner Associates, Inc., Contract Position

Chicago, IL (June 2005-Sept 2005)

- Building Repair – Assembled as-built documentation for an extensive building repair survey of the historic 30th St. Train Station in Philadelphia, PA; clearly illustrated strategy for replacing damaged limestone and corroded metals.

Train & Partners Architects, Intern Architect

Charlottesville, VA (May 2002-April 2005)

- Academic and Institutional – Authored two 70+ page feasibility studies with supplemental graphics resulting in \$4m+ in future contracts. Managed design and construction phase of 3,000ft² office renovation for UVA Hospital, renovation of Virginia Tech's Newman Library, and an 18,000ft² renovation and addition to Christ Episcopal Church.
- Historic Preservation – Conducted research, prepared accurate historic documentation, and proposed site and route strategies for relocating the 150 year-old Varsity Hall 185 feet. The 8 month, \$2.5m building preparation and successful 8 hour move was featured on Discovery Chanel's "Mega Moves" as a major accomplishment in modern engineering.
- High-End Residential and Commercial – Job Captain for \$650k guest house, Restaurant, and Spa for Orient Express Hotels.

ACG Architects, Intern Architect

McLean, VA (May 2001-Aug 2001)

University of Virginia, Teaching Assistant for ARCH 102 Fundamentals of Design

Charlottesville, VA (Jan 2002-May 2002)

EDUCATION

University of Virginia

Charlottesville, VA (Graduated May 2002)

- B.S. Architecture Design (w/ Honors) and minor in Astronomy, Dean's List - GPA 3.74
- DOE (Department of Energy) Sponsored Solar Decathlon National Competition, 1st Place "Design and Livability"
- Airplane design for NASA (AGATE) National Competition, 3rd Place

DIS (Denmark's International Study Program)

Copenhagen, Denmark (Aug 2001-Dec 2001)

- Completed Architecture and Design Program, focused on Danish co-housing, urban environments, and furniture.

Proficient in: AutoCAD-17 years, Photoshop, Illustrator, CAD CAM, Rhino 3D, PowerPoint, Excel, Word; PC and MAC literate.