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Bio

Rob is a British National and a Naturalized American Citizen. Rob's background is in the AEC (Architecture, Engineering and Construction) industry, primarily working as an interior architect. Rob has a Bachelor of Arts degree in Interior Design from Kingston University near London, England, 25+ years experience designing and implementing high end commercial projects in the retail; hospitality; corporate; and residential market sectors. He is a full member of The Chartered Society of Designers, London which is the national governing body for qualified designers and the authority on professional design practice and code of conduct in the UK.

Rob has extensive knowledge of contemporary architectural interior design, building technology, computer aided design and construction techniques. Rob is well versed in the operation of 3D BIM software such as Archicad and Autocad Revit and also Adobe Creative Suite.

In addition to Rob's design background, he has also studied the science of Land Surveying becoming a Certified Land Survey Technician in the State of Washington, USA. This has provided Rob with a very useful set of skills relating to real estate including subdivision design and planning; to read and write legal descriptions; lot line adjustments; conduct a vertical and horizontal survey using optical and digital instruments and land title research.

Professional Highlights

- 25 years of professional design/architecture/construction industry work experience in private practice.
- Worked for many internationally reputable consultancies and developers.
- Extensive knowledge and practical skills in contemporary architectural interior design and building technology in a range of commercial disciplines.
- Advanced competency in computer aided design (CAD), technical ability and creative presentation.
- A strong interest in furniture and industrial design.
- A self-starter with integrity and a desire to do the job right.
- A productive team player with strong project management.
- A good all round Designer and Architectural Technician who knows how to draw and create professional looking documentation.
- International experience in UK, S.E. Asia, Canada and USA.
- Experience working with clients, external consultants and contractors.
- A qualified land survey technician.

Skills

Commercial interior design and job running • Building technology and CAD drafting • Architectural detailing and construction drawing packages • Site layouts • Design development • Space planning • Construction documentation, Administration • Program management • FF&E specification • Job running • Mentor junior staff • PC and Mac Literate • Archicad (BIM) • Autocad Civil 3D • Autocad Revit Architecture (BIM) • Tenant

improvements • Roll out • Furniture design • Land surveying measurements and calculations • Standards and procedures manuals for project management and CAD.

Work Experience

Interior Architect | BIM Designer | Consultant

Page & Beard Architects, Kirkland WA, USA

1/16 – Present

- Finalize construction on our long term home renovation project and prepare the building for sale on the open market. Preparation for relocation back to UK. Study Autodesk Revit 2017 software.

Interior Architect | BIM Designer | Consultant

Page & Beard Architects, Kirkland WA, USA

6/15 – 1/16

- Freelance position. Design and model 3D interiors and exteriors using BIM technology with Archicad for Mac. Produce Permit review and Construction contract documents for various projects including: Commercial Dance Studio, Wine Bar/Cafe/Restaurant and a Water Pumping Station for the City of Kent, Washington. Create rendered 3D images and interactive fly-through models (BIMx).

Interior Architect | BIM Designer | Consultant

Alicia Interiors, Port Angeles, WA, USA

1/15 – 1/15

- Freelance project. Residential kitchen design. Create a digital 3D model in Archicad 18 with custom cabinetry for a new kitchen, butlers pantry, wine cellar and laundry/utility rooms. Create interactive 'fly-through' BIM-X models for client presentation.

Interior Architect | BIM Designer | Consultant

BIOS LLC Design + Planning, Bainbridge Is., WAUSA

2/14 – 8/14

- Contract position. Design development and modeling of a new 30,000 sq ft marine science building in Port Angeles, WA. Accommodation includes conference center, exhibition space, leasable offices, restaurant/bar and brewery. Contract to design create BIM Model in Archicad 17 and all architectural construction documents for Permit submittal. Value: \$10m.

Interior Architect | BIM Designer

Harrison Architects, Seattle, WA, USA

10/13 – 12/13

- 3D Modeling (BIM) and construction drawings in Archicad for a private multi generation single family *Passivhaus* dwelling.

BIM Designer

4D Architects, Kirkland, WA, USA

07/13 to 10/13

- Model new construction custom homes in 3D using Archicad 16&17 BIM software. Multiple residential projects in WA. Also, model a virtual contemporary style building envelope for a new build nursery school in Japan. Generate plans/elevations, sections and BimX 3D models for client presentations and local code submissions.

Licensed Real Estate Broker
thebritishagent.com, WA, USA
07/12 to 5/13

Residential real estate sales in WA State: Buyer Representation | Seller Representation. Areas Served: Bellevue; Kirkland, Seattle; Issaquah; Redmond.

- RSVP Real Estate, Bellevue, WA. 09/14 – 06/16.
- The Cascade Team, Bellevue, WA. 05/13 – 4/14.
- Coldwell Banker Bain, Bellevue, WA. 7/12 – 5/13. The #1 top producing RE office in WA State by sales volume. Also the #1 Coldwell Banker Affiliate office in USA for the past 15 years.

Interior Architect
Rob Horton MCSD, WA, USA
2007 to 2012

- Relocate from UK to Seattle, USA. Design and major refurbishment full time study in Surveying.

Managing Director
Horton Design Associates Ltd (1994-2012), UK
2002 to 2007

- Owned and operated my own Interior Design and Architectural design company in UK. Clients: Lovell Partnerships • Hickton Madeley Architects • Seymour Harris Architects • Hing and Jones Architects • Parr Architects • BSE Architects • Church Lucas Architects • Atkins Global • PCPT Architects • BLB Architects • Singelton Architects • Taylor & CO Architects • Design Development Partnership • Creative Union • Nathan UK • DLG Architects • Pyramid Design • ADS Design & Architecture.
- The work included pre planning and post planning proposals, detailed construction sets for local code submissions, feasibility studies, interior/furniture design and shop drawings, measured surveys, client liaison and project management. The projects ranged in size from £500K - £65M and included residential, hospitality, retail/mixed use, leisure industrial, educational and military/defense market sectors.

Project Designer
Callison Architecture, WA, USA
2000 to 2001

- Collaborated on the revamp of Harrods of London, White Room and International Designer Room III. Program Management for Washington Mutual, Wells Fargo, Key Bank

Managing Director
Spaceframe Interior Architecture Ltd, Canada
1999 to 2000

- Set up new company and implement roll out commitments for French Connection Ltd, Canada. Design and production package for new 2500 sq ft retail at Oakridge Centre, Vancouver, and various Holt Renfrew concessions in Toronto.

Managing Director
Horton Design Associates Ltd (1994-2012), UK
1997 to 1999

- Production design and project management services through own company. Roll out 12 No French Connection Ltd (FCUK) stores across UK. Acting as clients project manager to oversee entire construction process and programming. All working drawings produced using Archicad.

Project Designer

Retail Management Asia (RMA) /Sixth Sense Ltd, Hong Kong

1996 to 1997

- Planet Europa Night Club, Ho Chi Minh City, Vietnam. \$930K US cost. Coordinate team project including concept development and project management for new build 8000 sq ft venue in multiplex entertainment centre, international standard interiors with intelligent lighting and sound. Computer generated animation. Lived and worked in Hong Kong. Coordinated all aspects of design development and implementation of project including client liaison, outside consultants and site supervision from concept to completion.

Managing Director

Horton Design Associates Ltd (1994-2012), UK

1995 to 1996

- Contract Designer at Din Associates, London. Roll out fashion retail projects for FCUK Ltd and Nicole Farhi. Design development and construction drawing packages.

Freelance Designer

Rob Horton MCSD - UK

1990 to 1996

- These contract positions were all involved with commercial interior design and project management. I carried out most recognized day-to-day activities as a qualified designer in these roles for clients in the hospitality, retail and corporate sectors.

Typical projects included Beach Plaza Hotel, Monte Carlo • First Chicago Bank, Covent Garden • Norwich Union HW, Watford • Fashion Clinic, Lisbon.

- Companies worked for: Din Associates Ltd, London: 1995-96
- John Hunt Associates Ltd, Birmingham: 1995
- RSCG Conran Design Ltd, London: 1995
- Din Associates Ltd, London: 1995
- Carte Blanche Ltd, London: 1995
- RS Fitch plc, London: 1995
- John Hunt Associates, Birmingham: 1995
- Richard Daniels Design plc, London: 1994
- Simmons Design, London: 1993 - 1994
- Sovereign Design House Ltd: 1990-93
- BDC Construction Ltd Fitch RS Plc, London: 1990.

Team Leade

John Hunt Associates Ltd, UK

1988 to 1990

- Forte Crest Hotels, Swansea and Birmingham, England, four-star hotel refurbishments with 137 rooms, 100 cover a la carte restaurant, cocktail bar, lounge, function suites and reception lobby. Responsible for neo classical/post modern concept throughout public areas and drawing package. West Midlands Police, Birmingham, England, Corporate identity for public inquiry counter concept and pilot installation. Responsible for design of high tech armor plated reception counter and design manual for roll out. Wragge & Co, Solicitors, Birmingham, England, High quality corporate reception area with real drawn bronze, granite floors and ash wall paneling. Responsible for concept design and drawings.

Education

2YR Certificate in Land Surveying

Renton Technical College
2009 to 2011

BTEC National Diploma in General Art & Design

Bournville School of Art & Design
1982 to 1994

BA (Hons) in Interior Design

Kingston University
1984 to 1987

Testimonials

Bignell Shacklady Ewing Ltd, UK

Karen Bignell – Director

“As well as being a very experienced creative designer Rob is also an excellent technician which means he is able to take full ownership of a project and a brief and deliver the best results for his client. Rob produces high quality work and I thoroughly enjoyed working with Rob when he joined my team at Bignell Shacklady Ewing.”
November 9, 2011

[1st Karen Bignell](#), was Robert's client.

York Laurent, UK

Marcel Woodhouse – Director

“Robert is a highly dedicated professional and his work is exemplary, I have known him all of my working life and would have no hesitation recommending him and his design services to any of my clients or their contacts.”
November 9, 2011

[1st Marcel Woodhouse](#), *Partner, York Laurent*, was with another company when working with Robert.

RMA/Sixth Sense, Hong Kong

John Bunyan – Creative Director

“Robert is a man of detail, nothing gets past his keen eye. He applies himself to projects in a serious and dedicated manner. I have met very few individuals, if any, that strive towards perfection in the manner that Robert does. He takes pride in being a professional, which was a great reassurance in knowing him as a colleague and I have no doubt, that his quality of service, was also a great comfort to the clients whose projects he managed on behalf of.” *November 9, 2011*

[1st John Bunyan](#), *Studio Manager, RMA Limited*, worked directly with Robert.

DIN Associates, London

Angela Drinkall – Director

“I worked with Rob on two occasions when he contracted for us as an Interior Designer at Din Associates. I worked there at Director level, spanning 20 years in creative, supervisory and business development roles. Din Associates had an International reputation for unique and highly imaginative retail design concepts and high class interiors. Rob made a valuable contribution to the projects he worked on including stores for French Connection UK Ltd, Nicole Farhi (London) , Joop (Germany), and Fashion Clinic (Portugal) by bringing a strong technical and creative skillset and a fine level of all round professionalism and integrity. I enjoyed working with Rob, who as well as being skilled, I found to be friendly, hardworking, and reliable and I would gladly recommend him as a valuable team player in any mainstream Architecture/Design business.”

References

- To be provided upon request.