ARCHITECT & CREATIVE DIRECTOR



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EDUCATION

University of Arkansas E. Fay Jones School of Architecture and Design B.Arch, Architecture (1999 - 2006)

University of Arkansas Rome Center for Design Rome, Italy international study abroad, (2003)

Columbia University visiting student, Art History (Summer - 2002)

ASMSA

State Residential College Preparatory School, High School Degree, Honors Study (1997 - 1999)

OVERVIEW

Eric J. Dempsey (NCARB, AIA, LEED AP, CDT) has lived and worked in China since the Shanghai World Expo of 2010, and has completed numerous projects in the region over the past 12 years.

He is the owner and founder of a locally registered business entity, DEMPSEY DESIGN INC. whose work includes interior and architectural design via a range of project types. The common thread to his work is in creating poetic and thoughtful designs, rooted in strong and well-developed creative concepts.

Eric has practiced and studied **architecture & design** continuously for the **past 22 years**. He expands upon this experience daily and is currently learning to speak Mandarin Chinese. He is a licensed Architect, holding internationally recognized certificates.

His work layers and blends ideas, concepts, and conditions to create colorful, vibrant, and richly saturated buildings and spaces. His goal is to create texture and depth with **visual impact**. He has expanded upon fundamental architectural theories with the world of fine art and interior design. He is motivated and inspired by a close network of supportive friends and family. He draws further inspiration from the immense beauty of the world and his international travels across numerous countries.

Eric has worked diligently with many multi-national companies designing projects in the APAC region. He finds great joy in collaborating with his clients, and has developed a familiarity and deep understanding of project delivery standards and challenges within China. He has built and maintained a wide network of local contractors, factory owners, material suppliers, and vendors to help realize projects in more effective ways.

OBJECTIVE

I'm planning to relocate back to the United States. I intend to connect with an experienced and well-connected Architectural firm in the South-East region. Metropolitan areas with international reach and a strong appreciation for design are a prime consideration. I'm seeking a position that would further develop and maximize my potential over the long term.

Most importantly, I'm seeking to connect with like-minded fun people to continue **creating great works together!**

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CERTIFICATES

- ► Licensed Architect
- National Council of Architectural Registration Boards Certification (NCARB)
- ► LEED AP
- Construction Documents Technologist (CDT)

EN LANGUAGES

- ► Mandarin Chinese (Intermediate)
- ► English (Native Speaker)

SKILLS

Professional:

- Creative Direction
- Schematic Design
- ► Client Coordination
- ► Business Development
- ► Expert Revit / BIM
- ▶ 3D Rendering & Visualization
- ► Design Management
- Construction Administration

Interpersonal:

- Communication
- ► Listening
- Solutions & Problem Solving
- Leadership
- ► Research / Thought Leadership
- ► Sales & Negotiation

© EXPERIENCE

Dempsey Design Inc. Owner & Founder November 2019 - Present Shanghai. China

We are a full-service planning, architecture, and interior design consultancy. Our focus includes concept design, constructability, and project delivery with extensive local experience. Our clients bridge the Pacific including global multi-nationals, local governments, and private small businesses. We unlock the potential of places to create cultural, social, and economic value. Our company structure was formally incorporated in 2019 as a WFOE in Shanghai, China.

JLL - Jones Lang LaSalle

Senior Creative Director March 2019 - October 2019 Shanghai, China

Senior Creative Director, and head of Shanghai design team. Mentored, motivated, and monitored team for daily operations and quality control. Oversaw restructuring and change management according to regional plans. Rolled out time management & project monitoring processes according to global standards. Interfaced with other departments to assist business activities.

Beijing Greenspace Construction & Design Ltd. Design Director

January 2017 - January 2018 Shanghai, China

Nationwide design director for large scale grade-A design & construction company. Work scope included design management and skillfully developing client requirements into concepts for successful construction. Leveraged experience and industry contacts to offer clients dependable reliable service. Bridged key decision makers with global counterparts. Market reach covered all of mainland China with offices in Shanghai, Beijing, Chengdu, Shenzhen, & Guangzhou with frequent sales presentation meetings throughout.

ADM Design & Build

Associate Design Director

June 2014 - August 2016

Shanghai, China

Senior management role with a focus on creative direction for an in-house design team to help improve and monitor quality and output. Inspiring and motivating employees to consistently deliver their best work in a fast-paced accelerated design-build environment. Lead role in sales presentations, meetings, and communications with clients. Managing team workload: organizing and planning work to ensure project goals, contract requirements, and schedules were met.

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OVOLUNTEER

- AIA Shanghai | Beijing Executive Committee
- AIA International Mentor Program
- ► Neighborhood Pet Rescue
- ► Language Exchange

☆INTERESTS

- ► Travel & Geography
- ► World History & Culture
- Scuba Diving (PADI Open Water Advanced certification)
- ► Health & Fitness
- Swimming
- ► Texas Hold'em Poker & Chess
- Videography and Animation
- Philosophy & Design Theory

EXPERIENCE

Shanghai Winner Decoration Co,. Ltd

Senior Project Manager

August 2013 - February 2014 Shanghai, China

Managed the delivery of several retail projects for a turn-key solutions provider of luxury boutiques, high traffic stores, window and in shop displays across mainland China and APAC. I managed a dedicated project management team providing detailed design, scheduling, government approval documents, furniture production & installation, and construction fitout of retail shops across mainland China. In house management responsibilities included: project tracking, scheduling, resource allocation, standard procedures, mentoring & development of staff, and establishment of KPIs.

iHabitat Design

Senior Architect / Project Manager

July 2012 - July 2013 Shanghai, China

Research, planning, programing, and design of buildings for corporate, institutional, and retail projects. Leading teams, organizing work, training of methods, analysis, design, and client presentations. Implemented Revit BIM workflows and weekly internal training program to create a highly proficient Revit based design team.

MMoser Associates

Project Coordinator

September 2010 - July 2012 Shanghai, China

Pioneered the early adoption of BIM methods, standards, and project workflows. Together with my team we developed large scale base buildings from the inside-out. Key founding member of the base-building architecture team for workplace interiors in Shanghai. This was in addition to project management of various interiors projects rapidly developed in China.

Seoul Academy

Freelance Architectural Designer

June 2009 - September 2010 Seoul, Korea

JBHM

Project Designer

September 2008 - May 2009 Biloxi, MS - Gulf Coast Area

Worked collaboratively with senior partners on the schematic design and production of key projects for the Gulf Coast region of the United States. Projects had specific merit and significance due to the destruction in the wake of hurricane Katrina. Led design team efforts for design development documents to meet project goals, milestones, and schedules.

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OHIGHLIGHTS

- ► 22 years of experience
- ► Licensed Architect
- ► Highly proficient in Revit
- Company setup, currently in China, willing to travel
- Multi-cultural international background
- Critical thinker with business acumen
- ► Inventive & Original

EXPERIENCE

The Crump Firm

Project Manager

January 2008 - August 2008 Memphis, TN

Directed the production of preliminary schematic, design development, and construction documents. Project management duties, dealing directly with local developers, managing consultants, and work on collaborative team projects.

UrbanArch Associates

Architectural Designer

May 2006 - January 2008 Memphis, TN

While at UrbanArch I performed a wide array of architectural tasks due to the small nature of the company. This ranged from 3d visualization and schematic design of projects to handling design review committee drawings. I also produced detailed construction documents, coordinated consultants, and performed minor construction administration duties. I led the development and implementation of their online website www.uarch.com Also, I designed and delivered a marketing package of their project portfolio.

LRK Architects

Architectural Designer

September 2005 - April 2006 Memphis, TN

Provided architectural leadership on projects ranging from corporate office, commercial retail, corporate interiors, and civic projects. Commercial architectural design, construction documents, presentation drawings, & 3D architectural visualization.

RM Kliment & Frances Halsband Architects

Cad Technician

July 2002 - July 2002 New York, NY

A summer internship with acclaimed firm R.M. Kliment & Frances Halsband Architects in downtown Manhattan. I prepared a booklet of drawings cataloging building properties for their Brown University master planning project.

Eisenman Architects

Internship

June 2002 - June 2002 New York, NY

A summer internship with world-renowned star Architect, Peter Eisenman. I worked with an international model-making team on a large multi-piece study model for the City of Culture of Galicia project recently completed in Santiago, Spain.