



October 8, 2009

Dear Young Architect Award Committee:

David Burt is an extraordinary young man; talented, imaginative, inquisitive, industrious and energetic. As a 'Young Architect,' David has a most impressive portfolio of work on a wide variety of project types and scope, and at the same time, has led AIA Charleston as President and AIA SC as Director and Committee Chair.

David Burt is a leader in the firm of LS3P ASSOCIATES LTD, and is deeply involved in all phases of architecture, marketing, design, production and construction administration. He has illustrated a clear understanding of each of these phases with significant results in each.

I am truly proud to recommend to the College of Fellows Executive Committee, David Burt, as an outstanding Young Architect. He is the poster model for the award; well-rounded, successful and fully committed to excellence and the architectural profession.

Sincerely,

Frank Lucas, FAIA
Chairman

LS3P ASSOCIATES LTD.
2007 Chancellor, AIA College of Fellows

BIOGRAPHY

David Burt, AIA, LEED® AP, CDT

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David Burt is the true embodiment of the characteristics required for receiving the Young Architects Award. Throughout his young career, this multi-faceted individual has shown unprecedented leadership and has made many noteworthy contributions to the profession and to his community. David brings an infectious energy and positive attitude to every organization he joins, committee he leads, and project he works on. He is a standout among his peers and an innovator in his craft, thus making him the ideal candidate for this prestigious award.

Before even graduating from college, David had already shown his commitment to the profession. Still an architecture student at Mississippi State University, David served in a variety of different capacities in the AIA including Vice President at MSU in 1992. David was honored when asked by his Associate Dean, Chris Saccopoulos, to travel to Greece with him to work on the design and construction of his AIA award winning summer home (<http://ksaccopoulos.googlepages.com>) on the island of Kythnos. It was during this experience that he was first bitten by the travel bug. The following summer, he took advantage of the school's travel-study program and traveled to 10 different countries, keeping sketch books and journals documenting his travels. He landed at the architecture school in Barcelona for a semester before returning to Mississippi State where he graduated in 1995 with a BArch degree.

Following graduation from Mississippi State University, David worked for Foil-Wyatt Architects in Jackson, MS (www.foilwyatt.com), focusing primarily on higher-education work. His twin brother, also a 1995 graduate of MSU, moved to Greenville, SC after landing an aerospace engineering job. Not long after settling in the Carolinas, his brother became involved with an organization in Asheville, NC, called Friends of Santa Claus (www.friendsofsantaclaus.org) that provides emotional and financial support to children with cancer and their families. David traveled to the Carolinas often and volunteered with Friends of Santa Claus as a counselor in 1997. He continued to work with the organization until his first child was born in 2003. David recently rekindled his involvement with the organization as a volunteer and continues to support this vital program. After years of service, David's brother is now the treasurer of Friends of Santa Claus.

In 1998, while sketching some buildings in downtown Charleston (during a visit there for his brother's wedding), David had an encounter with Thom Penney (President, American Institute of Architects 2002-2003). Thom came upon David as he sketched on the sidewalk, and after admiring his work for a while, Thom suggested the two have lunch. Realizing his talent and discovering he was an intern well on his way to licensure, Thom offered David a position at LS3P (www.ls3p.com).

David left Mississippi to go to work for LS3P in October of 1998. He joined the AIA upon his employment with LS3P, and spent the next three years learning the design principles and project management strategies of LS3P. Although LS3P is organized into project-type studios (i.e. K-12, Healthcare, Federal, Commercial, etc.), David became the Jack-of-All-Trades and worked across studios to fill the needs of various project types. In an effort to expedite paying off his college debt he waited tables at night at a local restaurant, the Boathouse at Breach Inlet (www.boathouserestaurants.com). He came to know the Charleston way of life and used that knowledge to advance his career. Expressing his diverse and energetic design abilities, in the summer of 2000 David entered the Annual Piccolo Spoleto Sand Sculpting Competition and won Best of Show (www.piccolospoleto.com). He has either won or at least placed in every competition since.

David's concern for urban sprawl and interest in controlling the use of land prompted him to join the Urban Land Institute (www.uli.org) in 2001. He has remained a ULI member and was a founding member of the ULI Young Leaders Group in the Lowcountry, serving as their membership coordinator in 2005.

In 2001, David was accepted into and graduated from Leadership Charleston, the Charleston Chamber of Commerce's nine month leadership program. He was named by his classmates, "Most Likely to One Day be President of the Chamber of Commerce." That same year, he volunteered with the Chamber of Commerce (www.charlestonchamber.net) to assist them with their fundraising efforts. He was so successful in his first year that he was asked to be a team leader with the fundraising campaign the following year, and continued in that capacity through 2005. In 2002, David was asked to participate on the steering committee for the same Leadership Charleston program that he graduated from and stayed on that committee until he was the chairperson in 2004.

In 2002, David attended the AIA National Convention in Charlotte, his first convention. His deep interest in serving the profession grew out of that experience, and he has since attended 5 of the last 7 national conventions. It continued to be a successful year for David after when was honored by the Charleston AIA in a Design Competition for his design of a Habitat for Humanity House. That same year a newly built project he designed with some of his colleagues at LS3P, the French Quarter Inn (www.fqicharleston.com), received a Carolopolis Award for Historic Preservation by the Preservation Society of Charleston (www.preservationsociety.org).

David was married and had his first child in 2003. Also in 2003, he was put in charge of the design and construction of the largest mixed-use resort project LS3P had ever designed, The Wild Dunes Resort Village and Conference Center (www.wilddunesvillage.com). Busy as he was, David studied for his last few exams and was finally licensed in May of 2004. He was also named by the Charleston Regional Business Journal (www.charlestonbusiness.com) as one of the Forty Under 40 Business Leaders in the community that year. He advanced quickly at LS3P, being named an associate in March of 2004 and an associate principal in April of 2006. His versatility and leadership skills led to his involvement with very complex and mixed-use type projects, which eventually paved the way to his being named a studio leader in charge of Mixed-Use and Hospitality projects in December of 2006.

In 2005, David was asked by another architect in town to take his place in the Charleston Rotary Club (www.charleston-rotary.org). He continues to serve his community as a rotarian today. In April, David welcomed his second child. David was elected to the vice president position of the Charleston AIA in 2005 and served as their president in 2006. Bringing his vivacity and positive mindset to his new role, AIA Charleston's monthly meeting attendance doubled. Planning for the future and the 2007 AIA150 festivities, David led his 2006 board retreat with a challenge to balance the AIA Charleston budget and even add \$10,000 to their account by the year's end to be used by the next president. He and his board came through and even exceeded those challenges. David was elected in 2006 to a 3-year term with the AIA SC Board of Directors as their communications chairperson. His responsibilities included overseeing the magazine, website, and all other communication with the membership. Although the magazine was a successful publication prior to his arrival, David looked to make improvements. Beginning with the "AIA150 Anniversary Issue" in 2007, David took the magazine in a new aesthetic direction and added to its content. To offset the cost of the improvements, he added a Consultant's Directory and a Contractor's Directory. His changes increased readership and even resulted in additional funding for AIA SC.

David became a LEED Accredited Professional in March of 2009, even though he had been working on LEED projects since 2006 (River Lights in Wilmington, NC). He continues to work on LEED and sustainable projects.

David was selected as the YAF Regional Liaison for the South Atlantic Region in 2008 to serve as the RL for 2009-2010, a position which he currently serves even as he is completing his last year as an AIASC Board Member. In a recent speech he gave at the South Atlantic Regional Convention, David shared his thoughts about the future of the profession and the significant role YAFs will play in its progress. He also shared his ideas about the strategies necessary for making the future a success.

David reached the pinnacle of his career in September of 2008 when he was named LS3P's youngest principal. He continues to enjoy the many successes that have resulted from his dedication to his profession and his determination to succeed. On his firm resume it states, "His strength is in his versatility and ability to manage complex mixed-use projects." It is evident to anyone who knows or works with David Burt, that he carries this statement and uses it as a guide in all endeavors of life. Receiving the Young Architect Award will only encourage him to continue down the path as a leader among us... the path he has been taking all along.

CONTRIBUTIONS

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Friends of Santa Claus - As a Big Brother in the Friends of Santa Claus Organization David has provided special moments of joy and laughter for numerous children with cancer and their siblings.

Urban Land Institute and the ULI Young Leaders Group – David has been a member of ULI since 2001. The South Carolina District of the Urban Land Institute was formed in 2005. David was a founding member of the Young Leaders Group in ULI SC and kicked it off in the Lowcountry. He accepted the position of Membership Committee Chair for the YLGs at that time. ULI SC's membership grew so significantly in 2005 that ULI SC was awarded a National Award in 2006 for growing by over 50%. In December 2007, David was a facilitator for ULI South Carolina's first Reality Check. Reality Check is a one-day, participatory, regional visioning exercise that engages leaders in a regional dialogue on growth issues. The first one of these took place in the Charleston tri-county area. It worked to bring together a number of political figures on land development concepts that would have otherwise been hard-pressed to agree on or even discuss such topics rationally prior to the event. David also brought South Carolina's main AIA150 project idea to ULI SC. The year after AIA150, ULI adopted the AIA program idea as their Leadership Class Project, and have been working in a similar way in small towns in South Carolina every year since then.

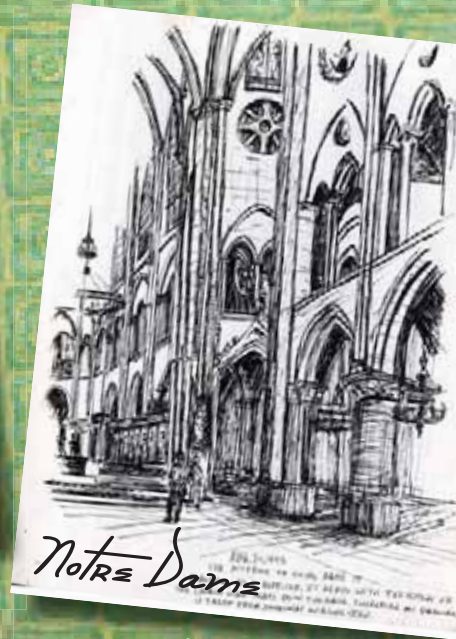
Rotary – David has participated in numerous Rotary functions and has been serving the community in a number of capacities as a Rotarian since joining the Historic Charleston Rotary in 2005.

AIA Charleston – At the Component level, David was influential in improving attendance at AIA Charleston functions. When he was AIA Charleston president, David added \$10,000 to his budget to help pay for Charleston's AIA150 projects. He was able to raise that money primarily through sponsors. During his tenure as the AIA Charleston president he worked with other component leaders throughout the state as well as members of the Mayor's Institute, to raise money and even secure some grant funding for the five AIA150 projects that AIA South Carolina completed. AIA Charleston's project focused on reviving Johnsonville, SC. The project included small town best planning practices such as improving sidewalks, signage, and landscaping as well as a review of its zoning ordinances. It even included a short-term and long-term retail market analyses and demographics forecast, as well as a rewriting of the town's mission statement. The Johnsonville Project was the best attended AIA150 project in the state, and was a huge success.

AIA SC – As the communications director for AIA SC for the past three years, David has grown the distribution list and enhanced the quality of the State AIA Magazine. He has also led the revision of the AIASC website to enhance communication among the six components and the state.

Condo-Risk Management Roundtable – David has been representing LS3P at the Condo-Risk Management Roundtable since June of 2007 and has contributed much to the ongoing discussion of protecting architects' interests on multi-family projects. He hosted their national meeting in Charleston in January of 2008.

National Kidney Foundation – David is currently serving on the fundraising committee in Charleston, SC for the National Kidney Foundation. This is his second year on that committee.



Travel Journals

David took advantage of his school's travel study program and traveled to 10 different countries keeping sketch books and journals of his travels. He landed at the architecture school in Barcelona, Spain, for a semester before graduating from Mississippi State in 1995.



Picasso Museum, Barcelona



Westminster Abbey, London



Pantheon, Rome



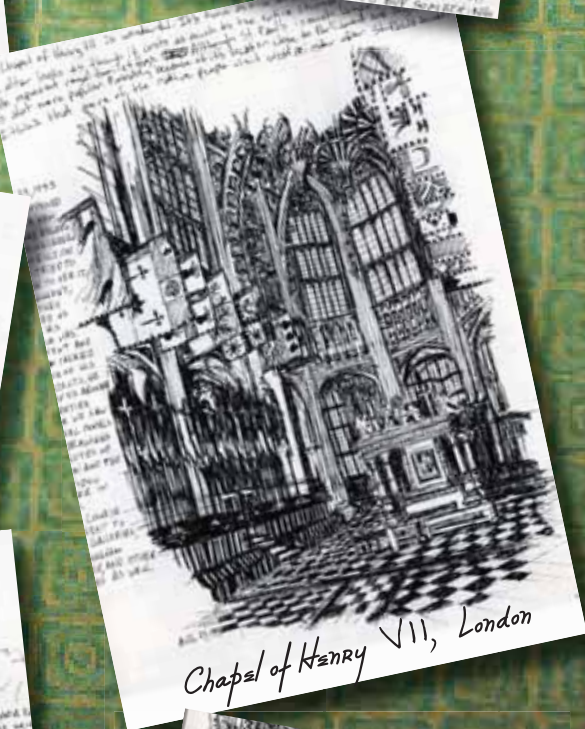
San Maggiora, Venice



St. Severin, Paris



Sagrada Familia, Barcelona



Chapel of Henry VII, London



St. Peter's, Rome

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French Quarter Inn

In 2002, a newly built project The French Quarter Inn which David designed with his colleagues at LS3P, received a Carolopolis Award for Historic Preservation by the Preservation Society of Charleston. The award was specifically for fitting a new building into the context of the historic French Quarter in Charleston.



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LS3P Charleston Office

LS3P ASSOCIATES LTD. is nestled off King Street downtown. Placed in the rear half of the Victoria Center, the office is accessible by a new alley finished with white stone and landscaped to follow the form on which the building has been designed. The entire building is organized around a red, three-story diagonal wall that intervenes the multi-colored glass curtain wall at the North and South. The wall acts as the main organizational function in the office and bears the main staircase that acts as the primary transportation tool between floors.



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Piccolo Spoleto Sand Sculpting

Expressing his diverse and energetic design abilities, in the Summer of 2000, David entered the Annual Piccolo Spoleto Sand Sculpting Competition and won best of show. With a team of four or fewer, given just three hours to complete the sculpture, he has either won or at least placed in every competition since.



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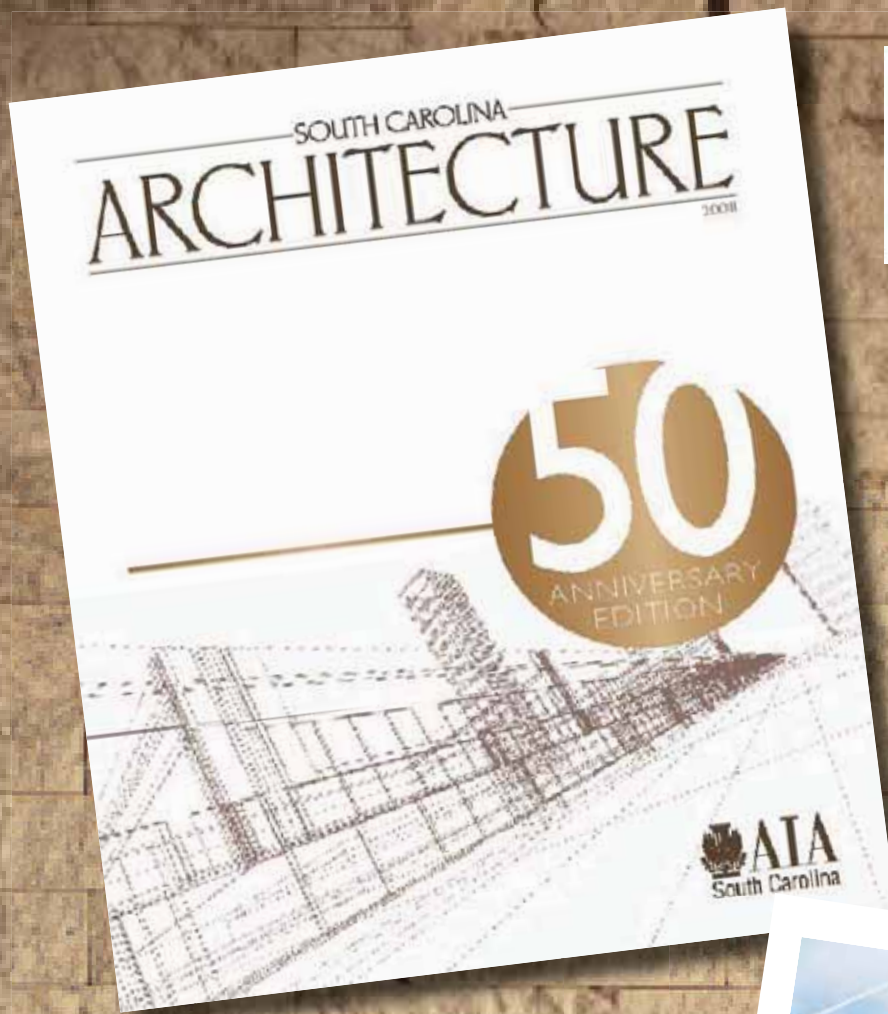
Wild Dunes

In 2003, David was put in charge of the design and construction of the largest mixed-use resort project LS3P had ever designed, the Wild Dunes Resort Village and Conference Center. Challenged with bringing Charleston to the beach, the colors, materials, and overall feel of the resort has that pedestrian oriented Charleston charm.



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**AIA 150 & 50TH ANNIVERSARY
AIASC MAGAZINE**



**AIA CHARLESTON
AIA 150 PROJECT**

**TOUR OF LARGEST
CABLE STAY BRIDGE
IN AMERICA DURING
CONSTRUCTION**



AIA South Atlantic Region

David is an ambassador for the profession. He has led the way for Charleston's AIA 150 Challenge as president of their MA component in 2006. After David was elected to a three-year term as AIA SC Board of Directors Communications Chairperson, he took the AIA SC magazine in a new aesthetic direction and added to its content. To offset the cost of improvements, he added a consultant's and contractor's directory. These changes increased readership and resulted in additional funding for AIA SC. David is now serving as South Atlantic Region Young Architects Forum Regional Liaison.

PROMOTING AND PROTECTING THE PROFESSION

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Tremendous impact

The South Carolina Professional Architect Commission would like to extend an appreciation to The State House. The courage of the architects who stood up for the profession in the face of the legislature's efforts to restrict the profession's right to practice is a testament to the profession's commitment to the public good.

As the state's architects have demonstrated, the profession's commitment to the public good is a testament to the profession's commitment to the public good.

MARKY REIMER
Chief Architect, The State

New schools safe!

In response to the Jan. 18 article regarding schools and earthquake protection, we would like to offer some information and correct some misinformation.

Since 1988, the South Carolina Department of Education has been working to ensure that all public buildings (including schools) are designed and constructed to meet the highest standards of safety. The department has been working to ensure that all public buildings (including schools) are designed and constructed to meet the highest standards of safety.

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Berkley shrinkdown

I was a little bit puzzled by the article in the Jan. 18 issue of the magazine regarding the shrinkdown of the Berkeley County school system. I am a local architect and I am a little bit puzzled by the article in the Jan. 18 issue of the magazine regarding the shrinkdown of the Berkeley County school system.

GERALD LITTE
1011 Bayfield Road
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Tax forum Jan. 18

What's a citizen to think about the new tax proposals?

The State House has reported on the new tax proposals. The State House has reported on the new tax proposals. The State House has reported on the new tax proposals.

MARKY REIMER
Chief Architect, The State



IMPROVING THE AISC MAGAZINE QUALITY

ADDING \$\$\$ TO THE BUDGET & INCREASING READERSHIP



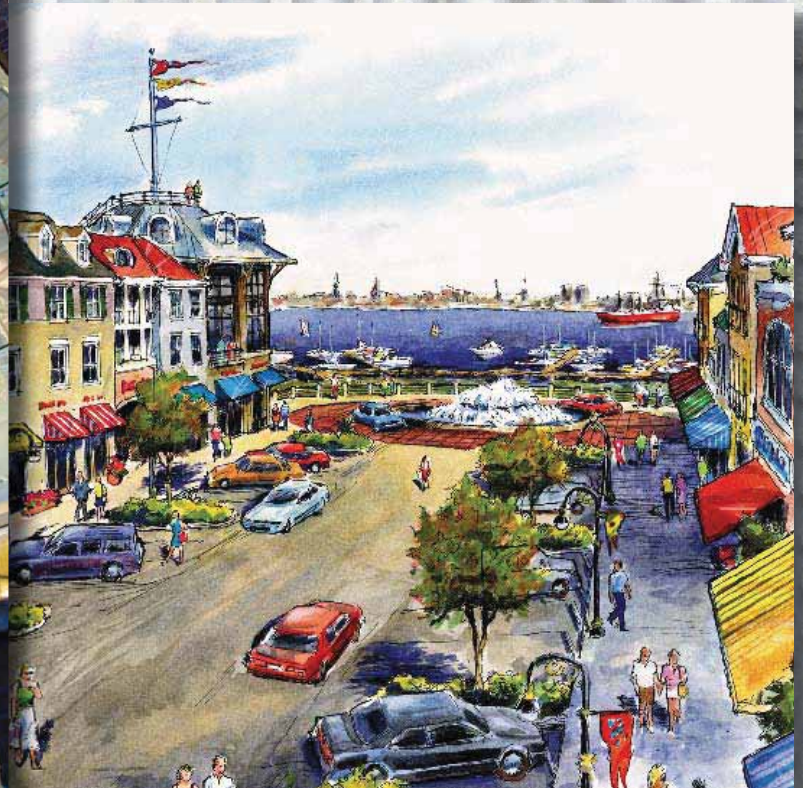
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ISLE OF PALMS RECREATION CENTER



COLLEGE OF CHARLESTON BUSINESS SCHOOL



CHARLESTON HARBOR RESORT & MARINA

Selected Experience

David has amassed an extensive and diverse portfolio in his relatively short career. He began his design career with mainly higher education work as seen in the School of Business at the College of Charleston (pictured above) of which he was a design team member. He has since worked on residential, civic, and other commercial type projects eventually working on very complex mixed-use and sustainable (LEED) projects. Other selected examples of his design work are pictured above.



RIVERLIGHTS



KING STREET LOFTS



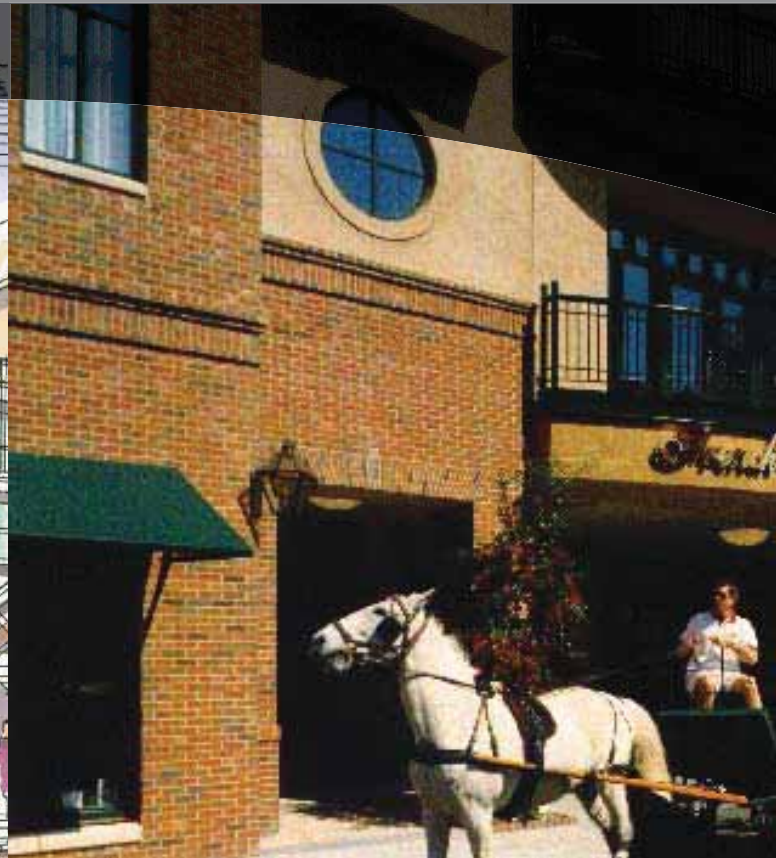
MARITIME AT KIAWAH ISLAND

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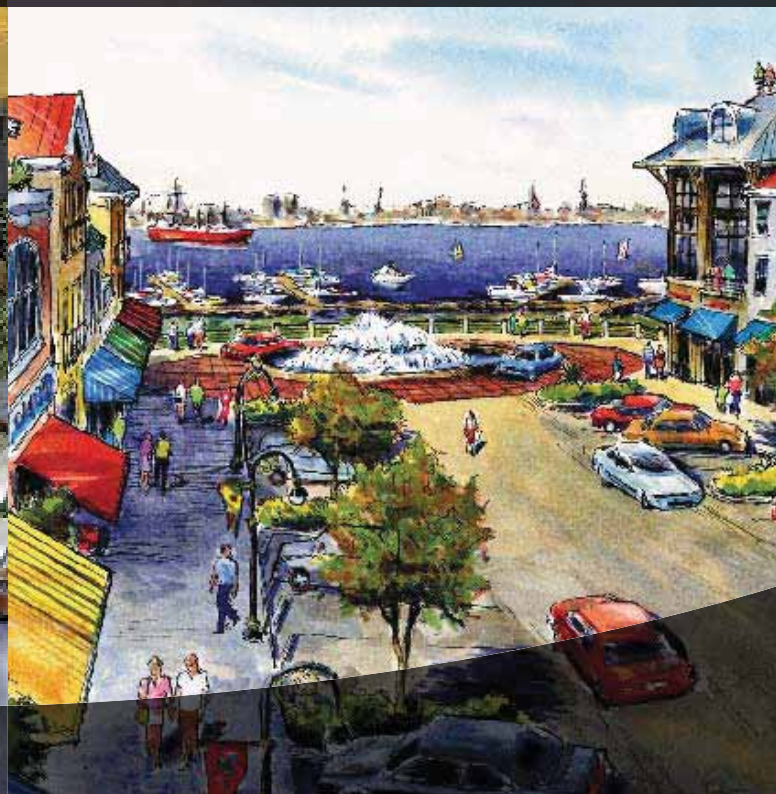
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David Burt, AIA, LEED[®] AP, CDT



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AIA South Carolina

06 October 2009

To: Young Architect Award Selection Committee

RE: Mr. David Burt, AIA

Dear Selection Committee:

This letter is in support of Mr. David Burt's nomination for the AIA's Young Architect Award. As an architect in Charleston for over 16 years I have seen David rise to the level of President of the local AIA chapter. As President of the South Carolina Chapter of the AIA I have seen David's leadership and passion at work on a state level. More recently I have witnessed David's passion for issues affecting young architects in our South Atlantic Region. David has exhibited his expertise as a young architect advancing the profession in several key roles.

For the past 3 years David has served as the chairperson of the Communications Committee for AIA/SC. In this capacity he has been responsible for overseeing the design and content of our annual magazine, which is a key aspect of our Chapter's advocacy and community directives. During David's tenure the magazine has been distributed to over 18,000 recipients representing legislators, allied associations and potential client's and has had a significant impact on sending the message about South Carolina architect's role in creating the built environment.

On a regional level David has represented young architects as the AIA's South Atlantic Region Young Architect Liaison. In the short time that David has been participating in this group he has exhibited leadership by voicing the importance of establishing a more clearly defined YAF in our region. While the 3 state region of SC, NC and GA has a strong presence historically the YAF has been under-represented. David is working to change this and I expect he will continue to advance the YAF's influence.

David will make an excellent choice as a recipient for the Young Architect's Award and in representing the profession.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Steven H. Coe." The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Steven" and last name "Coe" being more prominent than the middle initial "H.".

Steven H. Coe, AIA, LEED AP
2009 President, AIA South Carolina



Urban Land
Institute

South Carolina

September 25, 2009

Dear Young Architect Award Committee,

I am writing to support the nomination of David Burt for the Young Architect Award. David is a model candidate for this award and exemplifies the essence of the Young Architect Award: an individual who has shown exceptional leadership and made significant contributions to the profession in an early stage of his architectural career.

Over the past three years, I have had the pleasure of working with David through the Urban Land Institute in South Carolina. David has become a very active ULI South Carolina member in the Charleston Region and has demonstrated a strong commitment to ULI's mission to provide leadership in the responsible use of land and in creating and sustaining thriving communities. Through his various roles with ULI SC, including YLG Membership Chair, Reality Check Facilitator and Program Committee Member, David has brought leaders together from across the fields of real estate and land use industry to share best practices and serve community needs. David continues to demonstrate strong leadership skills in the real estate and land use industry. Being named the youngest principal at LS3P, his continued involvement with AIA Charleston and AIA South Carolina, and his recent appointment as the South Atlantic YAF Regional Liaison, clearly demonstrate David's exceptional leadership skills and commitment to his profession. David is a respected architect and leader in the Charleston region, not only for his professional work but for his positive spirit, dedication, and willingness to collaborate with others to improve our built environment.

David clearly embodies the requirements for the Young Architect Award. I hope you will award him with the recognition he deserves.

Sincerely,

Paige King
Executive Director
ULI South Carolina



JOSEPH P. RILEY, JR.
MAYOR

YVONNE FORTENBERRY
DIRECTOR

City of Charleston

South Carolina

Department of Planning, Preservation, and Sustainability

September 25, 2009

To Whom It May Concern:

This letter is written in strong support of David Burt, AIA, for consideration of the Young Architect Award.

As the City of Charleston's Preservation Officer/City Architect, one of my responsibilities involves the administration of the city's Board of Architectural Review (BAR). This role requires that I meet with architects on a daily basis to discuss issues such as a project's design direction, urban planning components, or historic renovation issues.

I have met with David on many instances where he has served as Project Architect or as a project team member on buildings under the BAR's purview. On these important projects for our city, David consistently exhibited excellent design skills and a strong understanding of the project—not just in the specifics of the design goals and building program, but also in the buildings' potential impacts on our urban realm.

In addition, David possesses a clear enthusiasm for architecture and its role within our profession, as evidenced by his tenure as the 2006 AIA Charleston President and in serving on AIA South Carolina's Board of Directors.

Again, I enthusiastically recommend David Burt, AIA, for this award. Please contact me at (843) 724-3783 if you require additional information or would like to discuss further.

Sincerely,

Eddie Bello, AIA, LEED AP
Director, Urban Design and Preservation Division



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September 30, 2009

To Whom it May Concern

Re: AIA Young Architect Award Nomination for David Burt of LS3P

It is my pleasure to write a letter of recommendation in behalf of David Burt who is a principal in the largest architectural firm in Charleston, South Carolina, known as LS3P ASSOCIATES LTD.

I have had the pleasant opportunity of knowing David for more than seven years here in my role as president and CEO of the Charleston Metro Chamber of Commerce. I first got to know David through our annual membership recruitment campaign which is more commonly known here as the Total Resource Campaign (TRC). David was a very, very active participant in the annual campaign that generates 50% of the Chamber's budget resources for the year. After his first year of supporting the campaign, he was asked to be a team captain and continued to be active in the campaign for the next several years. The TRC campaign has grown significantly from the time David helped plant the seed for the campaign's rapid growth. It has now reached almost \$2.3 million in annual campaign financing for the Chamber's programs, projects and services.

In 2001, David was accepted into the Leadership Charleston program, a nine month intensive effort to acquaint emerging business leaders in the community to the many problems, issues and challenges that face our three county region. The program equips the emerging leaders to be able to be more knowledgeable about what makes the community tick, and it positions them to step in and become involved in any one of a number of areas of activity that better position the community for successful growth and improvement in quality of life factors.

Following David's year in Leadership Charleston, he once again displayed leadership qualities and joined the volunteer Steering Committee that manages and guides this program forward each year to ensure that the new class has the richest experience possible. David served on that Steering Committee for the next several years, and in 2005, he was tapped to be its chairman which is quite an honor in this community to be recognized not only as a Leadership Charleston graduate, but also as the official representative for the program by serving in this capacity as Leadership Charleston chairman.

I also have had the opportunity to know David through the Rotary Club of Charleston. This is the oldest and very first Rotary Club that was established in Charleston, and has the largest membership of any Rotary Club in the Charleston region. Again, David demonstrated his leadership qualities by being a very active participant and faithful attendee of its meetings.

David is highly recognized in this community as a professional through his career in architecture and is also extremely active in other organizations. He would be an excellent candidate for this very, very special AIA Young Architect Award recognition, and I submit his name to you with great enthusiasm.

Sincerely,

Charles H. Van Rysselberge, CCE
President and CEO

cc: David C. Burt



Friends
of
Santa
Claus

October 2, 2009

Young Architects Forum

Reference; DAVID BURT, AIA NOMINEE - YOUNG ARCHITECT AWARD

To the Young Architect Award Selection Committee:

This letter is in support of Mr. David Burt's nomination for the Young Architect Award. My recommendation speaks to David's character and integrity on a personal level. I have known David for twelve years. He has been involved in an organization called Friends of Santa Claus, of which I am the founder and Executive Director. It is a program that provides emotional and financial support for children with cancer and their families. For many years David has been coming to Camp MerryTimes providing a loving and mentoring relationship for a child with cancer who has had two failed bone marrow transplants and is cognitively impaired. Through David's encouragement, commitment, and patience this young boy, who is 10 years old, has participated in activities and has felt a sense of accomplishment and self-confidence through the support and trust David was able to impart to him.

After my husband died of cancer, I asked David to design a Chapel to be built on the campsite of Camp MerryTimes. He understood that our mission was to honor the children that had died of cancer in our program. Hence, came the name "The Chapel of the Little Angels in the Woods." David brought his spirituality, his creativity and his expertise to this project that was built and dedicated in 2004 in Hendersonville, North Carolina. It is a beautiful and peaceful place for the parents to come and honor the memory of their children. Because of the architectural design, it will remain a memorial for many years to come. He did this project pro-bono, of which we truly appreciated.

It takes more than just ability to be a great architect. I think you need passion, understanding of the project and commitment to excellence in your work. I feel David embraces all these qualities. I believe David is an exceptional choice for the Young Architect Award.

Sincerely,



Barbara Van Thullenar

Founder and Executive Director of Friends of Santa Claus