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1 EDUCATION

University of Illinois at Chicago
School of Architecture, 2003

MASTER OF ARCHITECTURE
Fulbright Scholar for Environmental Studies (2001-2003), Rome Study Abroad (2002)

Universidad del Zulia, Venezuela
School of Architecture, 1999

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN ARCHITECTURE
Degree with Honors. Dissertation Title: Transit Oriented Development Design Proposal for the City of Maracaibo. Teaching Assistant "Bioclimatic Architecture" (1995-1996).

2 ACADEMIC EXPERIENCE

University of Hawai'i at Mānoa
School of Architecture
2016 - Present

ASSISTANT PROFESSOR
- Basic Design Studio (Arch 101) F16, F17
- Special Topics: Draw Story (Arch 690) F17
- Doctorate Project I (Arch 784) F17
- Architecture Studio I (Arch 740) S17
- Special Topics: Peace Memorial (Arch 490) S17. Partner Institutions: Nagaoka Institute of Design. Collaborating Professors: Yoko Shiratori, Yuji Ueno, Seisuke Watanabe. Cities Visited: Tokyo, Nagaoka.
- Special Topics: Domestic Territories (Arch 690) F16

Illinois Institute of Technology
College of Architecture
2013 - 2016

STUDIO ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR
- Studio I, Re-Thinking Metropolis: Elements (Arch 541), Studio Curator, F15
- Design Communications I "Units + Order" (Arch 107), F13, F14, F15
- Studio II, Re-Thinking Metropolis: House (Arch 542), Studio Curator, S14, S15.
Invited Guest Critics: Herman Hertzberger, Sydney Robinson, Alejandro Aravena, Martin Videgard, Pete Landon (Landon Bone Baker Architects), Brad Lynch (Brininstool + Lynch Architecture & Design), Dan Wheeler (Wheeler Kearns Architects), Sofia Von Ellrichshausen & Mauricio Pezo (Pezo Von Ellrichshausen).
- Studio III, Re-Thinking Metropolis: Neighborhood, Detroit, MI (Arch 543), F14
- Studio III, Re-Thinking Metropolis: Neighborhood, Miller Beach, IN (Arch 543), F13

2010 - 2013

ADJUNCT ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR
- Advanced Studio (Capstone): Barge Flotilla 2.0 (Arch 497), Su13
- Advanced Studio (Capstone): Chicago Center for Architecture (Arch 418,420), S13
- Advanced Studio (Capstone): Center for River Culture (Arch 417,419), F12
- Study Abroad: Small Urban Interventions, Mexico (Arch 497), Su12. Partner Institutions: Instituto Tecnológico de Monterrey (ITESM). Collaborating Professor: Gilberto . Cities Visited: Zacatecas, Mexico City, Guadalajara and Chicago.
- Traveling Studio (Capstone): Tucson Environmental Center (Arch 418,420), S12
Partner Institution: University of Arizona, College of Architecture + Landscape Architecture. Collaborating Professors: Wil Peterson and Teresa Rosano. Cities Visited: Tucson, Phoenix, AZ. Invited Guest Critics: Will Bruder, Dan Wheeler. Student Project "Tumamoc Habitat Center" featured in Suckerpunch and Evolo.
- Traveling Studio (Capstone): ORD-QRO Hostel and World Heritage Site (Arch 417,419), F11. Partner Institution: Instituto Tecnológico de Monterrey, Campus Queretaro (ITESM) Collaborating Professor: Federico Vidargas. Cities Visited: Queretaro, Bernal, San Miguel de Allende, Teotihuacan.
- Advanced Studio (Capstone): Survival Retreat (Arch 418,420), S11
- Advanced Studio (Capstone): Barge Flotilla 1.0 (Arch 417,419), F10. Student Project "River Pure" nominated for the Schiff Foundation Fellowship Award.
- Advanced Studio (Capstone): Finding Wild (Arch 418,420), S10. Student Project

received Honorable Mention Award in the ACSA/AISC Steel Student Design Competition (2010). Student Project presented at FRAGILES International Student Conference at Sint-Lucas Architecture School, Gent, Belgium.

Universidad Rafael Urdaneta, Vzla
School of Architecture
2007 - 2009

ADJUNCT ASSISTANT PROFESSOR
- Third year Undergraduate Studio: Mid-Rise Tropical Housing, F07, S08, F08, S09
- Introduction to Architecture Seminar, F07, S08, F08

University of Illinois at Chicago
School of Architecture
2006-2007

ADJUNCT ASSISTANT PROFESSOR
- Urban Studio: Transit Oriented Development (Arch 366) S07
- Advanced Studio (Capstone): Beach Pavilion (Arch 465), F06. Student Projects received Third Prize and Honorable Mention Awards in the Metal Construction Association Student Design Competition (2006) and Best In Show Award at the UIC Year End Show (2007).

Universidad del Zulia, Venezuela
Architecture Research Institute (IFA)
1999-2000

RESEARCH ASSISTANT
Project: "Bioclimatic Dwellings for Low Income Users". Lead Researchers: Prof. Francisco Mustieles, PhD; Prof. Maria V. Machado. Best Poster Award in the Energy Conservation Conference COTEDI 2000.

1998

RESEARCH INTERN
Project: "Public and Informal Transportation Routes in Maracaibo, Venezuela". Lead Researcher: Prof. Helen Barroso, PhD

Centro Venezolano-Americano del Zulia (CEVAZ), Venezuela
Language School, 1997 - 2000

INSTRUCTOR
English as a second language for adults. Levels beginners through advanced.

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PROFESSIONAL PRACTICE

Strawn+Sierralta
2003 - Current

LEAD DESIGNER AND CO-FOUNDER
An award winning, strategy-led design studio that focuses on human-centered spaces, experiences, and services. <http://www.strawnsierralta.com/>

Norsman Architects Ltd.
Chicago, IL
2003 - 2007

INTERN ARCHITECT
Management of architectural projects from schematic design to construction phase. Focus on single and multi-family residential and small commercial buildings.

Halstead Architects Ltd.
Indianapolis, IN
2000

ARCHITECTURAL INTERN
Assisted with various architectural projects including residential and assembly structures.

Tsoi Lee Architects
Maracaibo, Venezuela
1999

ARCHITECTURAL INTERN
Participated in the process of the design of the Aula Magna Auditorium of the University of Zulia.

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REGISTRATIONS & ASSOCIATIONS

Licensed Architect Venezuela

No. 117747. Member of Venezuelan Institute of Engineers and Architects since 1999.

US Licensure

In progress. Expected 2018.

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AWARDS & HONORS

Design Awards

- AIA Honolulu Design Award, 2017
- Competition Finalist. The Shining Maze Competition, 2015
- Modern Mountain Home Award for the Ski-On Home, Tahoe Quarterly, 2011
- Emerging Visions Award, Chicago Architectural Club, 2007
- IBM Engineering Innovation Award. The History Channel's City of the Future Competition, 2006

- Gold Star Award. Global Green Sustainable Design Competition, 2006
 - Competition Finalist. McCormick Tribune Foundation, 2005
 - Emerging Visions Finalist, Chicago Architectural Club, 2005
 - Competition Finalist. Ford Calumet Environmental Center Design Competition, 2004
 - First Prize Award. Green Tent Design Competition, 2004
 - Notable Entry Award. Paris 2012 Olympic Landmark Competition, 2004
 - Competition Finalist. World Trade Center Site Memorial Competition, 2003
 - Honorable Mention. ACSA/AISC Student Design Competition, 2003
 - Best Poster Award COTEDI 2000 Conference, 2000
- Awards for Academic Excellence
- Nominee, SOM Foundation Traveling Fellowship in Architectural Design, 2003
 - Nominee, Schiff Foundation Fellowship Award of the Art Institute of Chicago, 2003
 - American Institute of Architects 2nd Henry Adams Award of Merit, 2003
 - Estate of Francis Hill Pillsbury Award, 2003
 - Top Portfolio Award, UIC School of Architecture, 2003
- Fellowships and Scholarships
- Fulbright Scholarship for Environmental Studies in the US, 2001-2003
 - Architecture Teaching Fellowship, Universidad del Zulia, Venezuela, 2000-2001.
Pedagogy Training at College of Humanities & Education and College of Architecture.

6 LECTURES, PRESENTATIONS & EVENTS

- Invited Speaker
- 18th Annual Pacific Building Trade Expo, Honolulu, HI. Presentation: Hawai'i Futures: Design Competitions. October 24, 2017
 - Nagaoka Institute of Design, Japan. Lecture: Planet, Cities, People". Feb. 13, 2017.
 - Holabird & Root Lunchtime Lecture Series, Lecture: "Architecture Competitions", April 12, 2013
 - Chicago Bauhaus & Beyond Annual Meeting, Chicago Architecture Foundation, Presentation: "Future Prentice", February 03, 2013
 - University of Wisconsin Milwaukee, School of Architecture & Urban Planning, Lecture: "Eventually Everything Connects", April 13, 2012
 - MAS Context: Analog, Conversations on More Speculation, Lecture: "10 Speculative Projects", Chicago, IL, October 15, 2011
 - Perkins Eastman, Re-Think Practice Lecture Series, New York, NY, Lecture: "Recent Work", August 3, 2011
 - Instituto Cervantes, Spring Lecture Series, Young Architects of Chicago, Lecture: "Recent Work", April 19, 2011
 - Universidad Rafael Urdaneta, School of Architecture, Maracaibo, Venezuela, Lecture: "Recent Work", October 26, 2007
 - University of Illinois at Chicago, SoA, Spring Lecture Series, Chicago, IL, Lecture: "Strawn+Sierralta FCEC proposal", Feb.19, 2007
 - City of Chicago Department of Cultural Affairs: Great Chicago Places and Spaces, Tour and Talk "Living in Marina City", May 19, 21, 2006
 - City of Chicago Department of Cultural Affairs: Great Chicago Places and Spaces, Tour and Talk, "Next Door Modernism" May 21, 2005
 - The Art Institute of Chicago, Art on the Move, Studio Talk, Dynamic Duos Tour, Chicago, IL, Dec. 04, 2004
 - California Polytechnic State University, Department of Architecture Lecture Series, Pomona, CA, Lecture: "Recent Work", Oct. 22, 2004
 - Chicago Architecture Foundation, Lunchtime Lecture Series, Chicago, IL. Lecture: "9/11 Memorial Proposal", May, 26, 2004
 - UIC Architecture Alumni Association (A3) 17th Annual Benefit Dinner, Keynote Speaker, Chicago, IL, May 20, 2004
 - The Graham Foundation, World Trade Center Site Memorial Exhibit, Chicago, IL, Keynote Speaker, February 24, 2004
- Invited Panelist
- AIA Honolulu, YAF (Young Architects Forum) Workshop: Career Alternatives Panel Discussion, Center for Architecture, Honolulu, HI, March 9, 2017
 - AIA Chicago, "Next Stop" Designing Chicago's BRT Stations, Panel Discussion, April 17, 2013

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Black Spectacles, Build-On: Inspiration for Making Entrepreneurial Ideas Happen Panel Discussion, Chicago, IL, 2012 - MAS Context: University Works Panel Discussion, UIC School of Architecture, Chicago, IL, 2010
Invited Moderator	- University of Chicago, Arts + Public Life Arts Incubator, “Intentions and Provocations in Design Panel”, Chicago Architecture Biennial Partner Program. October 3, 2015
Invited Design Critic	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Taubman College of Architecture and Urban Planning. Raoul Wallenberg Design Studio reviews, April 24-25, 2014. - Various graduate and undergraduate architecture studio reviews during the 2003-2016 period include: Illinois Institute of Technology (IIT), University of Illinois at Chicago (UIC), School of the Art Institute (SAIC), Columbia College, University of Arizona (UofA), Cal Poly (California State Polytechnic University) Pomona, Instituto Tecnológico de Monterrey, Universidad del Zulia, Universidad Rafael Urdaneta.
Radio / TV Interviews	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Hawai'i Public Radio: “Building Voices: Community Design Toolkit”, Interviewed by Noe Tanigawa, April 18, 2017 - Khon2. ‘Building Voices’ Generating Ideas, Solutions for Hawaii’s Biggest Issues. April 18, 2017. - ThinkTech Hawai'i: Voice Yourself, Hosted by Carol Mon Lee. April 18, 2017 - National Public Radio – 848, Interview: History Channel “Lake Effect” Proposal, Chicago, IL, 9:00 p.m. Nov. 24, 2006 - Interview featured on the History Channel Online, Nov. 2006 - Planeta FM, Radio Interview: “Strawn+Sierralta 9/11 Memorial Proposal”, Caracas, Venezuela, 6:20 p.m. January 13, 2004 - Circuito Union Radio, Radio Interview with Eli Bravo: “9/11 Memorial Proposal”, Caracas, Venezuela, 2:20 p.m. January, 12, 2004
Event Curation & Organization	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Round Table Discussion: 2014 Emerging Visions Competition Winners, Organizer and Moderator, Graham Foundation, March 13, 2014 - Round Table Discussion: “Next Stop” Winners, Co-Organizer and Moderator, Chicago Architecture Foundation, June 6, 2013 - Round Table Discussion: 2012 Chicago Prize Competition “Future Prentice” Winners, Co-Organizer and Moderator, CAF, November 6, 2012 - Informal Lecture Series for the Chicago Architectural Club, Co-Founder and Organizer, 2012 - 2014 - Lecture: 5 Young Australian Architects, Co-Organizer and Moderator, Chicago Architecture Foundation, May 13, 2014 - Lecture: Brinda Somaya, Co-Organizer and Moderator, Gensler, April 03, 2013 - Lecture: Timo Schmidt of Werner Sobek Structures, Co-Organizer and Moderator, Gensler, November 16, 2012 - Lecture: Dan Wheeler, Co-Organizer and Moderator, Herman Miller Showroom, September 27, 2012 - Lecture: Will Bruder, Co-Organizer and Moderator, Herman Miller Showroom, April 11, 2012

7 EXHIBITIONS

Creative Work Featured in Exhibitions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Hawai'i State Capitol, Building Voices 2017, Honolulu, HI, April 22, 2017. Project: Design Islands. - Chicago Architecture Foundation, 50 Designers, 50 Ideas, 50 Wards, May 2016 - January 2017. Project: Inside / Out. - Centro de Bellas Artes, SUB40 Arquitectura Emergente en Venezuela, Maracaibo, Venezuela, February 24 & 25, 2011. Project: Ski-On Home. - Museum of Science and Industry, City of the Future Exhibition, Chicago, June 7 - October 10, 2007. Project: Lake Effect. - Acme Artworks Gallery, Chicago Architectural Club’s Envisioning the Bloomingdale Line, Chicago, IL, May 18 - June 3, 2007. Project: Art Line, An Elevated Park. - Chicago Architecture Foundation, The History Channel’s City of the Future Event, ,
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- Chicago, IL, November 17, 2006. Project: Lake Effect
- Chicago Architecture Foundation, Public Process for Public Architecture, Chicago, IL, January 2005 - May 2006. Projects: Dual Memory and Freedom by Numbers.
- Chicago Cultural Center, Water Tanks: The Chicago Prize Competition, Chicago, IL, November - January 29, 2006. Project: City Hive
- Chicago Tribune, McCormick Tribune Competition Finalists, Chicago, IL, Summer 2005. Project: Freedom By Numbers
- Art Museum of Western Virginia, Cradle to Cradle Green Homes Exhibit, Charlottesville, VA, January - March 2005. Project: Pamunkey House
- Pavillion de L'Arsenal, 454 projects for Paris 2012, Paris, France, December 7 - February 13, 2005. Project: Field of Play
- High Desert Test Sites 4, Green Tents Exhibit at Ecoshack, Joshua Tree, CA, October 23-24, 2004. Project: Endemic Syhthetic
- The Art Center College of Design, Green Tents Exhibit at garden LAb, Pasadena, CA, September 7 - October 16, 2004. Project: Endemic Syhthetic
- Chicago Architecture Foundation, Big & Green Chicago Exhibit, Chicago, IL, June 1 - September 12, 2004. Project: Ecology of Foreign Objects
- Graham Foundation, WTC Memorial Competition Chicago Entries Exhibit. Chicago, IL, February 24, 2004. Project: Dual Memory
- World Financial Center, WTC Site Memorial Competition Finalists, New York, NY, November 20 - December 6, 2003. Project: Dual Memory
- Traveling Exhibit, Chicago, Alabama and Mexico, 60 m2 Affordable Housing in Education, Fall 2003. Project: Progressive Variations

Exhibition Curation & Organization

- Curator and Designer. "The Peace Memorial Project Exhibit" for Peace Day 2017 at the SGI Cultural Center in Honolulu. September 16, 2017.
- Curator and Designer. "Wishing Wall Exhibit for the Hokulea Homecoming and Polynesian Voyaging Society Benefit" at the Hawai'i Convention Center, June 2017.
- Curator, Designer and Organizer. "Building Voices Design Competition Exhibit" at the Hawai'i State Capitol, April 22, 2017.
- Curator, Designer and Organizer. "Currencies of Architecture" exhibit at the Chicago Architecture Foundation for the 2015 Chicago Architecture Biennial. September 30 - December 04, 2015.
- Curator, Designer and Organizer. "2014 Emerging Visions" exhibit at the AIA National Convention, AIA Expo 2014, June 26-28, 2014
- Curator, Designer and Organizer. "Next Stop", exhibit at the Chicago Architecture Foundation. June 6 - 28, 2013
- Curator, Organizer. "Re-considering and Icon" exhibit at the Chicago Architecture Foundation November 6, 20 - March 28, 2013
- Designer. "Year End Show celebrating the 75th Anniversary of IIT's Institute of Design", IIT Institute of Design, May 2012

8 COMPETITIONS

Participation in Architecture & Design Competitions (*) denotes award, (**) denotes work featured in exhibit (***) denotes work featured in press.

- The Shining Maze Competition, 2015*
- Ragdale Ring Design Competition, 2015
- Dwell Playhaus Design Competition, 2011
- Homeless World Cup Legacy Center Competition, 2010
- 10th Edition of Les Jardins de Metis International Garden Festival, 2009
- Re:Vision Dallas Competition; Dallas, TX, 2009
- Rio City Tower Competition; Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, 2009
- Golf's Tower Competition; Lima, Peru, 2008
- 9th Edition of Les Jardins de Metis International Garden Festival, 2008
- International Ideas Competition for Cheogna City Tower Design, 2008 ***
- Youth Sports Facilities for Africa for Architecture for Humanity, 2008
- Portland Housing Competition, 2007
- The City of the Future: A Design and Engineering Challenge, 2006*, **, ***
- New Orleans Sustainable Housing Design Competition, 2006 *
- Calgary Arcity Peepshow Competition: Truth and Lies, 2006
- Tsunami Memorial Design Competition, 2005

- McCormick Tribune Freedom Museum Sculpture Competition, 2005 *, **, ***
- Water Tanks: The Chicago Prize Competition, 2005 **
- Flight 93 National Memorial Design Competition, 2005
- C2C Home International Design Competition, 2004 **
- Siyathemba Youth Sports Facility and HIV/AIDS Outreach Center International Design Competition, 2004
- Olympic Landmark for Paris 2012 Design Competition, 2004 *, **, ***
- Green Tent Competition, 2004 *, **, ***
- Ford Calumet Environmental Center Design Competition, 2004 *, **, ***
- The World Trade Center Site Memorial Competition, 2003 *, **, ***
- Lyceum Traveling Fellowship in Architecture Competition, 2003
- ACSA/AISC Student Design Competition, 2003 *, **
- ACSA-OTIS Elevator Student Design Competition, 1997
- Bucuresti 2000 Urban Design Competition, 1996

Competition Curation & Organization

- Curator, Designer and Organizer. 2017 Building Voices Design Competition. Presented by School of Architecture at the University of Hawai'i at Mānoa, and the University of Hawai'i Community Design Center in partnership with AIA Honolulu, ASLA Hawai'i, APA Hawai'i, AIAS Hawai'i, US Green Building Council of Hawai'i, and the University of Hawai'i Office of Sustainability.
- Curator, Designer and Organizer. 2014 Emerging Visions Competition. Presented by the Chicago Architectural Club with the Graham Foundation and AIA Chicago.
- Curator, Designer and Organizer. 2013 Burnham Prize Competition "Next Stop". Presented by the Chicago Architectural Club with Chicago AIA, Chicago Architecture Foundation, Chicago Department of Transportation, The Chicago Transit Authority and the Chicago Bus Rapid Transit Steering Committee.
- Curator, Designer and Organizer. 2012 Chicago Prize Competition "Future Prentice", Presented by the Chicago Architectural Club with AIA Chicago and Chicago Architecture Foundation.

Competition Jury Member

- Make the Ala Wai Awesome Design Challenge, Stage II Awards, 2017
- Chicago Architectural Club Emerging Visions, 2014
- The Un-Competition Project, Black Spectacles, Chicago, IL, 2012
- Green Re-scheme Design Showcase and Competition, UIUC, Champaign, IL, 2010
- AIA Houston Design Awards, Chicago IL, 2007

9 ACADEMIC RESEARCH

Summer 2017

- Principal Investigator. Ideating a Design Framework for a Vertical School in Hawai'i. For the University of Hawai'i Community Design Center in partnership with Hawai'i State Department of Education. Research Assistants: Sho Tetsunani, Chris Songilvay, Jason Hashimoto.

10 PRESS

Creative Work Featured in Books

- A Place of Remembrance, Official Book of the National September 11 Memorial Allison Blais, Lynn Rasic, Michael R. Bloomberg (Foreword), 2015
- Chalets - Trendsetting Mountain Treasures. Braun Publishing, 2014
- Utopia Forever: Visions of Architecture and Urbanism. Gestalten, Berlin 2011
- Celebrating Freedom 12151791, McCormick Tribune Freedom Museum, University of Chicago Press, 2006
- 454 Projects for Paris 2012, Published by Pavillion de L'Arsenal, 2004

Creative Work Featured in Periodicals (magazines, scholarly journals, newspapers, and newsletters)

- Chicago Magazine. "Where to go - Now!", Glusac, E., Kokotas H., Nina, January 2012
- Dwell Magazine. "Houses We Love", April 2011
- Tahoe Quarterly Magazine. "Go Big, Then Go Home", Wightman, Vangela, 8th Annual Mountain Home Awards, Spring 2011
- Revista ConstrulInfo (Venezuela) "Entrevista con Strawn+Sierralta", Carillo, Ana M., Septiembre, Octubre, Noviembre 2008
- Diario La Verdad (Venezuela). "Distopia trata de Comprender la Ciudad", Huerta,

- Hennel, 4 de Julio, 2008
- De M en M (Venezuela) "Gente de Aqui", Marval, Carlos, January 2008
 - Architect Magazine. "City of the Future" 2007, Keegan, Edward, February 2007
 - Chicago Sun Times. "Building the Future", Nance, Kevin, December 31, 2006
 - Entre Rayas No. 59 (Venezuela). "Monumento para las Olimpiadas en Paris 2012", Enero - Febrero 2006
 - Entre Rayas No. 58. (Venezuela). "Memorial WTC, Centro Ecologico y Morada para el Desierto", Nov. - Dec. 2005
 - Diario La Verdad (Venezuela). "Interview with Strawn+Sierralta", Parra, Nailibeth, Estampas Zuliana, June 26, 2005
 - Chicago Tribune. "Finalists Named for Sculpture at Tribune Tower Museum", Storch, Charles, April 01, 2005
 - Estilo Maracaibo Magazine No.4 (Venezuela). "Talento Marabino", Rincon, Angel, Febrero 2005
 - Architectural Record. Imagining Ground Zero, Official and Unofficial Proposals for the WTC Site, Rizzoli Publications, 2004
 - Competitions Magazine. "A Green Sanctuary in the Industrial Heartland", Collyer, Stanley, Fall 2004
 - Chicago Tribune. "Camping Shelter Made of Old Pipes Wins Competition", Kamin, Blair, Sep. 14, 2004
 - Architectural Record. "Chicago Comes Back", Kamin, Blair, May 2004
 - Architectural Record. "Young Firms Bring a Breath of Fresh Air to the Windy City", Czarnecki, John, May 2004
 - Architectural Record. "Chicago Moves On", Pearson, Clifford, May 2004
 - Chicago Tribune. "Ones to Watch", Kamin, Blair, March 28, 2004
 - Chicago Tribune. "Environmental Center Site Finalists Named", Kamin, Blair, Feb. 24, 2004
 - Chicago Magazine. "Eight Notes for January", Tanak, Jennifer, January 2004
 - Architectural Record. "World Trade Center Memorial Finalist Designs", Lubell, Sam, Dec. 2003
 - Newsweek, "World Trade Center Memorial: How Should We Remember ?", McGuigan, Cathleen, Dec. 2003
 - Architecture Magazine, "WTC Memorial Competition Finalists Selected", Bussel, Abby, Dec. 2003
 - Architectural Lighting. "Editor's Note", Sommerhoff, Emilie; "Eight Finalists Selected", Donoff, Elizabeth, Nov.- Dec. 2003
 - El Nuevo Dia (San Juan, PR). "Propuestas para Honrar a los Caidos", Carretero, Manuel, Dec. 1, 2003
 - Diario La Verdad (Venezuela). "Agua y Luz inspiran los memoriales del 11-S", Martinez, Jesus, 1 de Nov., 2003
 - Diario El Nacional (Venezuela) "Proyectos para el memorial del World Trade Center", Linares, Violeta, 20 de Nov., 2003
 - The New York Times. "Eight Designs Confront Mini Agendas at Ground Zero", Collins, Glen, 2003, Nov. 20, 2003
 - The New York Times. "Designs Are Shimmering Elegies in Light, Water and Glass", Dunlap, David, Nov. 20, 2003
 - The New York Times. "Presenting Several Versions of the Shape of Grief and Recollection", Dunlap, David, Nov. 20, 2003
 - The New York Times. "...A Voice of Simplicity Cries to be Heard", Muschamp, Herbert, Nov. 20, 2003
 - The New York Times. "From Around the World, Artists and Architects who Rose to a Challenge", Sisario, Ben, Nov. 20, 2003
 - Chicago Tribune. "9/11 Memorial Finalists", Scharnberg, Kirsten, Nov. 20, 2003
 - USA Today. "Eight World Trade Center Designs Make Final Cut", Moore, Martha, Nov. 20, 2003
 - Chicago Sun Times. "8 Design Finalists Chosen For Memorial at WTC Site", Westfeld, Amy, Nov. 20, 2003
 - The Wall Street Journal. "Watch this space: 8 Proposals for Memorial for WTC Site Unveiled", Frangos, Alex, Nov. 19, 2003

Creative Work Featured Online

- Fast Company (digital). "12 of the Coolest Modern Houses You Can Rent on Airbnb", Dan Nosowitz, May, 2014
- Dwell (digital). "Airbnb Picks", Britt, Aaron, July 28, 2011
- Conscious Choice (digital). "Designers Envision Chicago 2107", Rollens, Patrick, February 2007
- World Changing (digital). "City of the Future", Rollens, Patrick, December 02, 2006
- Architecture Chicago Plus (digital). "Chicago Designers Compete in Friday Marathon at the CAF", Becker, Lynn, Nov. 15, 2006

11 CONFERENCES

Paper Author & Presenter
(Peer Reviewed Abstracts)

Design Principles and Practices Twelfth International Conference. Barcelona, Spain. Paper: "Design Accelerator: The Basic Design Studio Experience". March 2018. Abstract Accepted.

World Design Summit Congress. Montreal, Canada. Paper: "Design Framework for the Built Environment: Hawai'i" (with Brian Strawn). October 2017. Abstract Accepted.

Association of Collegiate Schools of Architecture (ACSA) Fall Conference, Between the Proximate the Remote, Marfa, TX. Paper: "Global Vernacular"(with Brian Strawn). October 2017. Abstract Accepted.

Paper Author
(Peer Reviewed Abstracts)

PLEA 2001 Conference. Florianopolis, Brazil. Paper Title "The Enramada: A Window as Roof" (with Machado, Maria V., Mustieles, F.). November 7-9, 2001.

PLEA 2001 Conference. Florianopolis, Brazil. Paper Title "Palaminium: A Bioclimatic Proposal for Water Locations"(with Machado, Maria V., Mustieles, F., Mestre J., Indriago, J.) November 7-9, 2001.

COTEDI 2000 Conferencia Internacional sobre Confort y Comportamiento Termico de las Edificaciones. Maracaibo, Venezuela. Paper Title: "Reinterpreting the Enramada: Bioclimatic Dwellings for Low Income Users" (with Machado, Maria V., Mustieles, F., Indriago, J). June 21-23, 2000.

Invited Speaker

University of Hawai'i Building Voices Inaugural Symposium. Honolulu, HI. Presentation Title: Building Voices Design Competition. April, 2017.

IX Agora Taller Workshop. Universidad Catolica de Manizales School of Architecture. Manizales, Colombia. Lecture Title: "Materiales Conceptuales / Conceptual Materials", November 8-11, 2016.

Society of Architectural Historians, 68th Annual Conference, Invited Tour Leader: Tour Title "Pilsen: The Heart of Chicago", April 18, 2015.

Dystopia Architecture Conference, Universidad del Zulia, Maracaibo, Venezuela, Lecture: "Recent Work", June 06, 2008

ENEA XXIII (National Architecture Students Annual Conference), Universidad Central de Venezuela, Caracas, Venezuela, Lecture: "Recent Work", May 26, 2008

Acontecimientos Arquitectonicos Inaugural Conference, Museum of Contemporary Art, Maracaibo, Venezuela, Lecture: "Recent Work", Oct. 04, 2007

Session Moderator

30th National Conference on the Beginning Design Student (NCBDS). IIT College of Architecture, April 3-5, 2014

12 OTHER PUBLICATIONS

- Sierralta, K., Strawn, B. (2013) "Imagining a Future Prentice", Clog: Brutalism.
- Sierralta, K., Strawn, B. (2009) "Survivor Maracaibo", Urban Realities in 21st

- Century Socialism. Mas Context quarterly publication, Issue number 4 - Living.
- Sierralta, K. (2000). "Rural Studio", Semana, Official bulletin of the School of Architecture of the University of Zulia. Maracaibo, Venezuela. Year 6.
- Sierralta, K. (1999). "From Farm to Mirage", (In Spanish: "Del Hato al Espejismo. Hato el Nilo .Santa Lucia") La Verdad Newspaper. Zulia, Arquitectura Section / BISAGRA (D3). Year 2, No. 573. Maracaibo, November 20, 1999.
- Sierralta, K., Chavez F., Arevalo V., Caldera A., (1999) "A Programmed Reaction: Urban proposal for Maracaibo" (In Spanish: "La reaccion programada. Propuesta urbana para Maracaibo. Nodo Delicias-Los Haticos /Av. Libertador – Sabaneta"). Semana, Official bulletin of the School of Architecture of the University of Zulia. Maracaibo, Venezuela. April / May, Year 6, No. 3, pg.11.
- Machado, Maria V., Britto, C., Neila, J., Sierralta K. (1999). "Thermal comfort simulation of ecological roof models". INDOOR AIR 1999, August 8-13, Edinburg, Scotland.
- Machado, Maria V., Britto, C., Neila, J., Sierralta K. (1999). "The ecological roof in the thermal design of buildings". Renewable Energy, October 1999.

13 ACADEMIC & PUBLIC SERVICE

University of Hawai'i at Mānoa
School of Architecture
2016 - Present

- Co-Chair, Scholarship Committee
- Member, Admissions and Portfolio Committee
- Member, NAAB Committee
- Member, Architecture Faculty Senate

Illinois Institute of Technology
College of Architecture
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- Member, Graduate Admissions Committee
- Member, Curriculum Committee
- Member, Fulbright Committee
- Undergraduate Academic Advisor
- Faculty Co-Chair, Design-Build Student Installation for SOFA exhibit (Sculpture Objects, Functional Art and Design), Navy Pier, Chicago, IL. Oct. 31-Nov. 3, 2013 and November 6-9, 2014. Students from the second year graduate studios designed and built a full scale "Design Environment" incorporating seating, lighting and objects for the CONNECT student competition with six international art and design university departments.
- Student Competition Advisor, Powerful Design, ComEd Student Design Challenge. Students Daniel Caven and Andrea Zuniga, First Place Award, Spring 2012
- Student Competition Advisor, RTKL 8 hr charrette between three local architecture schools. Student Ryan Dobbs, First Prize, Spring 2011

Chicago Architectural Club
2009-2016

- Board Member, Served as Co-President 2012-2014. The CAC is a volunteer-based not-for-profit organization founded in 1885 that focuses on current architectural issues within the city and serves as a platform for new generations of architects. <http://www.chicagoarchitecturalclub.org/>

14 CULTURE & LANGUAGE STUDIES

University of Hawai'i at Mānoa
Fall 2016

'O ke Aloha ke Kuleana, Values and Principles Towards a Hawaiian Place of Learning. Faculty/Staff/Admin Seminar Series.

Centro Cultural Venezolano-Italiano
Maracaibo, Venezuela, 1998-1999

Italian Language Course. All levels completed.

Alliance Française
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French Language Course. Diplome de Langue Française 1996.

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