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curriculum vitae

The Department of Landscape Architecture
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education

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| 2008 | Ph.D. in
Community and
Environmental
Design (Ph.D.
Design) | North Carolina State University.

Dissertation title: <i>Neighborhood Design: Associations between Suburban Neighborhood Morphology and Children's Outdoor, Out-of-school, Physical Activities.</i>

Ph.D. committee: <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Robin Moore, Dipl. Arch., MCP, professor of Landscape Architecture, NCSU, chair- Dr. Rune Simeonsson, professor of Developmental Psychology, UNC-Chapel Hill, co-chair- Arthur Rice, professor of Landscape Architecture, NCSU.- Dr. Wayne Place, professor of Architecture, NCSU.- Dr. Penny Gordon-Larsen, professor of Public Health, UNC-Chapel Hill. |
| 1999 | Master in
Landscape
Architecture (MLA) | North Carolina State University.

Thesis title: <i>Conservation Areas: New Criteria for a Historic District in the Town of Stykkishólmur, Iceland.</i>

MLA committee: <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Robert E. Stipe, professor emeritus of Landscape Architecture, NCSU, chair- Robin Moore, Dipl. Arch., MCP, professor of Landscape Architecture, NCSU.- Arthur Rice, professor, professor of Landscape Architecture, NCSU.- Dr. Paul Tesar, professor of Architecture, NCSU. |
| 1996 | B.A. in Fine Arts | Auburn University at Montgomery, AL. |

1984-1990	University courses in Geography, Geology, Law, and Philosophy	University of Iceland, Reykjavik.
1986	Technical drawing certification	Technical College in Reykjavik, Iceland

Other related certificates

2003	Playground inspection	Institute of Leisure and Amenity Management and The Environment Agency of Iceland, Reykjavik.
2002	Starting-up and running a business	A semester long course at The Center of Excellence for Entrepreneurs (IMPRA), Innovation Center, Reykjavik, Iceland.
2002	Registered landscape architect,	The Ministry of Industry, Energy and Tourism, Iceland.
1998	ESRI- Introduction to GIS ArcView and Arc/Info,	The University of Alabama, Birmingham, AL.
1987	Diploma in German as a second Language,	University of Paderborn, Germany.

work experience

2014-	Assistant professor	Department of Landscape Architecture, College of Agricultural and Life Sciences and the Department of Design Studies, School of Human Ecology, University of Wisconsin-Madison.
2005-2014	Self-employed researcher and landscape architect	Vist & Vera Ltd., Reykjavik.
2005-2014	Lecturer	The Iceland Academy of the Arts, Department of Design and Architecture, Reykjavik.
2012 fall	Visiting scholar and lecturer	Istanbul Technical University, Department of Landscape Architecture (fall semester 2012).

2010-2013	Project manager and editor	The Association of Icelandic Architects (50%) The aim of the project, <i>Dawn of Sustainability in Architecture and Planning</i> (DOS), which was sponsored by the European Commission's Leonardo da Vinci Lifelong Learning Programme, was to develop educational material focusing on sustainability in the built environment in Iceland for trade schools and BA/BS programs in architecture and related fields. Due to rather unique geographic conditions in Iceland three target areas were selected: a) general introduction to sustainability in the built environment, b) weather, climate and the built environment, c) natural daylight and sustainable lighting, and d) sustainable building materials. The vocational packages were drafted in English and will be formally published in Icelandic in December 2013. The project was led by the Association of Icelandic Architects and the Iceland Academy of the Arts in collaboration with two continuing-education institutions in Iceland (Ídan and the Technical College), the Danish Association of Architects, the Danish Building Research Institute and a Britain-based firm specializing in environmental assessment and rating systems.
2005-2008	Researcher and landscape architect	Hornsteinar architects ltd., Reykjavik.
2003-2005	Assistant professor	Department of Environmental Planning, Agricultural University, Iceland.
2000-2002	Research Assistant	R.a. of Pr. Robin Moore, College of Design, NC State University. The work included research on children's environments, organization of participatory workshops for daycare centers, writing a manuscript on programming in community planning and landscape architecture, teaching assistant in urban behavior settings, and grant applications.
1999-2000	Teaching assistant	T.a. of Shishir Raval Ph.D., College of Design, NCSU. The work included organization of a course in ecological design at Masters and Ph.D. level.
1996-1998	Teaching assistant	T.a. in the Materials Laboratory at the College of Design, NCSU.
1997-1998	Internship	Internship in Landscape Architecture at O'Brien Atkins Associates, Inc. RTP, NC, USA.
1997 summer	Garden design consultant,	Fossvogsstöðin nursery, Reykjavik.
1995 summer	Museum guide	Árbæjarsafn outdoor historic museum, Reykjavík.
1989 summer	Surveyor	Icelandic State Department of Transportation.
1987-1988	Salesperson of business and group travel packages	Samvinnuferðir-Landsýn travel agency, Reykjavík.

1987 summer	Representative and tour guide in Bulgaria and Turkey	Icetravel travel agency, Reykjavík.
1983-1986 summer	Supervisor	Supervisor of maintenance of citywide playgrounds and daycare centers, the City of Reykjavik.

primary areas of interest

urban design and planning in general, environment & behavior studies, children's environments, health provoking environments, environmental psychology, urban revitalization, urban morphology, public open space culturally sensitive public settings, historic preservation and landscape conservation, ecological/sustainable design, landscape analysis, sustainable community planning, community participation, art and architectural history.

research grants and scholarships

2012	visiting scientist fellowship	The Science and Technological Research Council in Turkey (TUBITAK), (USD 6.000).
2012	Writing a book about the visual aspects of public open space in Iceland	Hagthenkir, Icelandic association of academic textbooks writers (USD 2.500)
2012	Publication of EU-DOS sustainability handbooks in Icelandic.	The National Bank of Iceland and the Ministry of the Environment (USD 4.000)
2012-14	Research: Analysis of visual/ morphological characteristics of approaching small towns in Iceland. The research report will be published in 2015.	Iceland Tourist Board, The Palmi Jonsson Nature Fund, The Icelandic Planning Agency, the Iceland State DOT, Avis car rental, Air Iceland (USD 35.000):
2010	Participation in the Sustainable Sites Initiative pilot program	Ministry for the Environment and the Icelandic Construction Contracting Agency (USD 16.000)
2006	Research: Nature-based recreation: perception and use of natural areas in Gardabaer, Iceland in collaboration with Hornsteinar architects.	The Town of Gardabaer Iceland research grant (USD 28.000):
2006	Research grant: Design of sound barriers: visual perception	The Iceland State DOT (USD 12.000).
2006	Development of a need-based analytical model for schoolgrounds design	Public Health Institute and Childrens' Umbodsmann grant (USD 1.600).

2002	International Research Fellow, doctoral research	The American Association of University Women (AAUW) (USD 20.000)
1999-2002	Ph.D level r.a. and t.a. scholarship	North Carolina State University
1999	research grant for MLA research project	The Town of Stykkishólmur, Iceland (USD 1.600)
1996-1999	graduate level t.a. scholarship	North Carolina State University
1998	Research prize: MLA master's project	Thor Thors Fund, The American Scandinavian Foundation (ASF) (USD 5.000).

Publications and editorial work

- 2015- Peer review for the Norwegian Journal of Geography, Environment, Design, Research Association's (EDRA) annual conference in Raleigh NC 2016,
- 2013 Editor of three handbooks on sustainability in the built environment in Iceland (draft manuscripts in English submitted to the EU-Leonardo da Vinci Lifelong Learning Programme in November 2013, free e-publications in Icelandic will available in December 2013 at www.ai.is):
- Gudbrandsson, B., Snorrason, A., and Gudmundsson, E. (2014). Selecting Green Building Materials. In K. Thorleifsdottir (Series Ed.): Vol.2. Sustainable Built Environment in Iceland (1 ed.). Reykjavik: Vistmennt and the Association of Icelandic Architects
- Jonsson, M. & Hardarsson, S. (2014) Weather, Climate and the Built Environment. In K. Thorleifsdottir (Series Ed.): Vol.3. Sustainable Built Environment in Iceland (1 ed.). Reykjavik: Vistmennt and the Association of Icelandic Architects.
- Johannsdottir, A. S. (2014). Daylight as an Environmentally Friendly Source of Light. In K. Thorleifsdottir (Series Ed.): Vol.4. Sustainable Built Environment in Iceland (1 ed.). Reykjavik: Vistmennt and the Association of Icelandic Architects.
- Editor and main author of e-publication (expected in 2015): Thorleifsdottir, K. et al. (2015). Introduction to sustainability in the built environment in Iceland. In K. Thorleifsdottir (Series Ed.): Vol.1. Sustainable Built Environment in Iceland (1 ed.). Reykjavik: Vistmennt and the Association of Icelandic Architects.
- 2013 Refshauge, A. D., Lamm, B., Stigsdotter, U. K., and Thorleifsdottir, K., Landscape Research (2013): *Evidence-based Playground Design: Lessons Learned from Theory to Practice*; Landscape Research, DOI: 10.1080/01426397.2013.824073 (<http://dx.doi.org/10.1080/01426397.2013.824073>).
- 2012 Journal article (in Icelandic). *Visiting public market places* (Icel.: Á flakki um markaði). Arkitektúr, 1.2012. Journal of the Association of Icelandic Architects and the Federation of Icelandic Landscape Architects, Reykjavik.
- 2010 Journal article (in Icelandic). *Paradigms for Planning Sustainable Communities* (Icel.: Viðmið fyrir skipulag sjálfbærra samfélaga). Arkitektúr, 1.2010 p.22-25. Journal of the Association of Icelandic Architects and the Federation of Icelandic Landscape Architects, Reykjavik.
- 2010 Edited book chapter (in Icelandic). 2010. *Designing physical activity stimulating school environments*, in *Guidelines for Physical Activity Encouraging Schools* (Icel.: Leiðbeiningar fyrir hreyfihvetjandi skólaumhverfi), Icelandic Public Health Institute. Available at: http://www.landlaeknir.is/servlet/file/store93/item12220/version4/Handbok-um-hreyfingu_net_allt.pdf.

- 2009 Journal article (in Icelandic). *An ecological approach to the site planning of recreational homes* (Icel.: Vistvænt skipulag frístundalóða). The annual publication of the Horticultural Society of Iceland. 2009. Available at: http://gardurinn.is/default.asp?sid_id=44406&tld=1
- 2008-14 Board of editors, *Arkitektúr*, a professional architecture magazine published by the Federation of Landscape Architects in Iceland and the Association of Icelandic Architects. Editor in chief from 2012-2014.
- 2008 On-line journal article (in Icelandic). Thoughts about Children's' Needs for Nature Connection (Icel.: Hugleiðing um þarfir barna fyrir náttúrutengingu). Available at: <http://hugsandi.is/articles/hugleiðing-um-tharfir-barna-fyrir-natturutengingu/>
- 2008 Doctoral dissertation. *Neighborhood Design: Associations between Suburban Neighborhood Morphology and Children's Outdoor, Out-of-school, Physical Activities*. Available at: <http://repository.lib.ncsu.edu/ir/handle/1840.16/3220>
- 2008 Research report (in Icelandic). *Outdoor Recreation in Natural Settings in the Vicinity of the Town of Gardabaer, Iceland* (Icel.: Náttúrutengd útivistarsvæði í Garðabæ). Available at (<http://gardabaer.is/lisalib/getfile.aspx?itemid=11347>)
- 2007- Research report. *Design of Sound Barriers: a Study of Visual Perception* (Icel.: Hönnun hljóðvarna í þéttbýli: viðhorf til sjónrænnar upplifunar). Funded by the Icelandic State Department of Transportation (draft research report).
- 2005 Article (in Icelandic). *The Importance of Nature in Urban Environments* (Icel.: Mikilvægi náttúrusvæða í þéttbýli). Skógartíðindi, official newsletter of the Reykjavik Forestry Society.
- 2005- Research report. *Quality Assessment of Preschool Yards* (Icel.: Ástand leikskólalóða). Co-author with Einari E. Sæmundsson landscape architect. Funded in partial by the City of Reykjavik Office of Preschools.
- 1999 Master's thesis, *Conservation Areas: New Criteria for a Historic District in the Town of Stykkishólmur, Iceland*. Available at: http://www.vistogvera.is/files/kristin_thorleifsdottir_mla.pdf

selected presentations

- 2012 *Sustainable Sites Initiative - Pilot Project in Iceland*. Lecture at Istanbul Technical University, College of Architecture 01.11.2012.
- 2012 *The Use of Local Building Materials - Development of Educational Material*. (Icel. Miðlun þekkingar og reynslu í notkun vistvænna byggingarefna á Íslandi). Iceland GBC annual conference - Efnið skapar andann. Hótel Natura 24.05.2012.
- 2012 *The Experiential Value of Icelandic Forests* (Icel. *Upplifun skóga og áhrif á heilsu og vellíðan*). Town of Kopavogur Forestry Association, Menntaskólinn í Kópavogi 08.05.2012.
- 2011 *Small Towns and Tourism: Identifying their Image and Experiential Value*. Annual Conference of the Icelandic Tourist Board, Isafjordur 05.10.2011.
- 2011 *Paradigms for Sustainable Tourist Destinations*. The Icelandic Tourist Board and The Association of Icelandic Architects conference on the planning of tourist destinations. Reykjavik 14.04.2011.
- 2011 *Sustainable sites and Nature-based Activities*. Practicing Nature-Based Tourism, International Conference, Reykjavik 05.02.2011.
- 2011 *Neighborhood design and children's outdoor activities*. A presentation for the Reykjavik play policy committee.
- 2010 *Hversvegna sjálfbærni?* The Association of Icelandic Architects and the Reykjavik Building Department conference.

- 2010 *Reykjavik's Self-image - Thoughts*. A presentation at the Left-Green party conference on city planning, Reykjavik 15.05.2010.
- 2010 *Sustainable communities. The experiential value in place making*, West Virginia University, Morgantown, 20.01.2010.
- 2009 *Sustainable design performance benchmarks*. A presentation for the Reykjavik City Planning Authorities at a public session on the city's master plan, December 2009.
- 2009 *A new national hospital in context*. A presentation at a conference on the development of a new university/national hospital campus, Reykjavik, December 2009.
- 2008 *Introduction E&B research*. A presentation for the City of Reykjavik's Planning Council, October 2008.
- 2008 *Genius Loci in Reykjavik's Public Urban Settings*. A presentation for the Icelandic Horticultural Society, October 2008.
- 2008 *Neighborhood Design and Children's physical activities*. A presentation for the Association of Icelandic Landscape Architects, October 2008.
- 2008 *Design of Sound Barriers: Visual Perception*. A presentation at the City of Reykjavik's Building Office, May 2008.
- 2007 *Outdoor Recreation in Gardabaer: A Study of Use and Perceptions*. Náttúran og nærumhverfið conference, Gardabaer, November 2008.
2006. *Natural Environments and Wellbeing*. A presentation at the annual forestry conference in Hafnarfjordur, Iceland, September 2006.
2006. *City Planning and Children's Wellbeing*. Environment and Health conference in Reykjavik, April 2006.
- 2006 *Environment and wellbeing*, Blessuð Sértu Borgin Mín conference, coalition of neighborhood associations in Reykjavik, April 2006.
- 2006 *City Planning and Children's Wellbeing*, Icelandic Directorate of Health, May 2006.
- 2005 Landskapsanalyseundervisningen i Island, Landskapsanalysemetoder i landskapsarkitekt-undervisningen, Nordisk Workshop, As, Norway, May 2005.
- 2005 *The Effects of the Physical Environment on Children's Outdoor Physical Activities*, Housing in Europe: New Challenges and Innovations in Tomorrow's Cities, The European Network on Housing Research (ENHR), International Housing Conference, Reykjavik, June 2005.
- 2005 *A New Ideology in the Planning of School Grounds*. Námsstefna skóla á grænni grein, Landvernd, Selásskóli, Reykjavik, March 2005.
- 2004 *An Ecological Approach to the Design of School Grounds*, keynote, Livstil og helse, Nordic PTAs meeting, NoKo, Borgå, Finland.
- 2003 *Using Participatory Approaches in City Planning*, Betri Lundur, Kópavogur, Iceland.
- 2003 *School Grounds Design: Ideology and Participation*, Selásskóli elementary, Reykjavik.
- 2002 *Introduction of masters and PhD research*, Icelandic Association of Landscape Architects (FÍLA), Reykjavik.
- 2002 *Designing Children's Environments*, Hönnun og ræktun, conference in the honor of Jón H. Björnsson and Óli Valur Hansson, Reykjavik.
- 2002 *Understanding Children's Environments: The Development of a Theoretically Based Research Approach*, Research, Outreach, and Extension (ROE) Symposium, College of Design Research Symposium, NCSU, Raleigh, USA.
- 2002 *The Effects of the Physical Environment on Children's Outdoor Physical Activities in Three Suburban Neighborhoods*, Community: Evolution or Revolution, Environment Design Research Association (EDRA) Conference, Philadelphia, USA.

- 2001 *Back-alleys and Their Role in Community Building*, Old World - New Ideas: Environmental and Cultural Change and Tradition in a Shrinking World, Environment Design Research Association (EDRA), Edinburgh, Scotland.
- 1999 *Conservation Areas: New Criteria for a Historic District in the Town of Stykkishólmur, Iceland*, public meeting in Stykkishólmur, Iceland.

teaching experience

ph.d. level

- *Ecological design*, teaching assistant of Shishir Raval PhD, College of Design, NCSU. 1999-2000.

master's level

- *LA 699 Designing Healthy Communities* (3 cr hrs), Dept. of Landscape Architecture, UW-Madison (spring 2016)
- *Environment and Behavior in Public Urban Space* (2 ects), lecturer, College of Design and Architecture, The Iceland College of the Arts, 2013.
- *Environment and Behavior - public open space* (4 ects), lecturer, University of Iceland. 2009.
- *Urban behavior settings*, teaching assistant of pr. Robin Moore, College of Design, NC State University. 2001-2002

bachelor's level

- *LA 375 Health Promoting Environments Design Studio* (3 cr hrs), Dept. of Landscape Architecture, UW-Madison (spring 2016)
- *DS 221 Person-Environment Interaction* (3 cr hrs), Dept. of Design Studies, UW-Madison (spring 2015, fall 2015)
- *Sustainable Architecture* (2/12 ects studio), *landscape/site analysis*, lecturer, Dept. of Architecture, The Iceland College of the Arts, 2012.
- *Urban Visual Analysis* (7.5 ects), visiting lecturer, Dept. of Landscape Architecture, Istanbul Technical University, 2012.
- *Public Open Space - Streetscape* (5/12 ects studio), *exploring the visual/behavioral environment*, lecturer, Dept. of Architecture, The Iceland College of the Arts, 2012.
- *Environment and Behavior in Public Urban Space* (2 ects), lecturer, the College of Design and Architecture, The Iceland College of the Arts, 2012, 2013.
- *Architecture and nature* (3/6 ECTS studio) *landscape analysis*, lecturer, Dept. of Architecture, The Iceland College of the Arts, 2011, 2012.
- *Environment and Behavior in Public Urban Space* (4 ECTS), lecturer, Dept. of Geography, The University of Iceland, 2009.
- *The Urban Environment and Wellbeing* (1/2 of 6 ECTS), lecturer, Dept. of Public Health, The University of Iceland, 2009.
- *Environmental Stimulants in Urban Settings* (1/2 of 6 ECTS), lecturer, Dept. of Geography, The University of Iceland, 2007.
- *Environmental planning II - Environment and Behavior Studio* (3/6 ECTS), The Agricultural University of Iceland. 2005.
- *Landscape Analysis* (1/2 of 6 ECTS), lecturer, Dept. of Architecture, The College of Arts, Iceland. 2005.

- *History of Environmental Design* (landscape architecture) (4 ECTS), The Agricultural University of Iceland. 2004-2005.
- *Environmental Planning II - Children's Play Areas Studio* (3/6 ECTS), The Agricultural University of Iceland. 2004-2005.
- *Environmental Planning II -Landscape Analysis* (3/6 ECTS), The Agricultural University of Iceland in collaboration with The College of Arts. 2004.
- *Environmental Planning III - Landscape Analysis Studio* (4/6 ECTS), The Agricultural University of Iceland. 2003-2004.
- *Landscape ecology* (4 ECTS), The Agricultural University of Iceland. 2003.
- *Planning I - Urban Development and Morphology* (4 ECTS), The Agricultural University of Iceland. 2003.

student supervision - master's level

- *Overseeing all MA final research projects at the Dept. of Design and Architecture*, The Iceland College of the Arts, Dept. of Art Education 2013-2014.
- *Classification systems for Public Outdoor space in Urban Environments*. Co-chair. The University of Iceland, Dept. of Geography 2012.
- *Sustainable School Design and Art Education*. The Iceland College of the Arts, Dept. of Art Education 2011.
- *Children's Outdoor Activities and the Design of Preschool-grounds*. Co-chair. The University of Iceland, Dept. of Education 2007.

student supervision - bachelor's level

Supervisor in Architecture final projects at The Iceland College of the Arts:

- E&B Theories in Product Design (2013), Walkable streets (2013), Designing Sustainable Neighborhoods (2012), The meaning of organic vs. geometrical forms in Architecture (2012)

Supervisor in Physical Education final projects at the University of Iceland:

- School Grounds Design, Physical Activity and Public Administration (2007), Children's Physical Activity in the School: the Relationship between the Quality of School Grounds and Children's Physical Activity (2007).

Supervisor in Environmental Planning final projects at the Agricultural University in Iceland:

- Operational Measures for a Sustainable Neighborhood (2007). An Ecological Approach to School Grounds Design (2005), Morphological Attributes in the Planning of the Town of Akranes, Iceland (2004).

student research

Supervisor of student research projects funded by the Icelandic Student Innovation Fund:

- *The Life in the Back Alleys in the Vesturbær Neighborhood in Reykjavik*. 2005.
- *Planning Prerequisites, Condition and Use of Open Space in the Seljahverfi Neighborhood in Reykjavik*. 2005.

design experience

regional planning:

- 2006 Project manager, comprehensive plan for the county of Thingeyjarsveit 2008-2020, Hornsteinar architects for the county of Thingeyjarsveit, Iceland.

site design:

- 2012 Sund Highschool (Menntaskolinn vid Sund) schoolgrounds. In collaboration with Skipark architects, Reykjavik (First place, international architectural competition).
- 2012- Hamar Country Hotel, Borgarnes Iceland
- 2010- Coordinator for a Sustainable Sites Initiative (SITES) pilot project; Health Village at Fludir, South Iceland (see. www.sustainablesites.org).
- 2010 Children's Waterpark at the Laugardalur Family Park, The City of Reykjavik.
- 2010- Draft plan for an amusement Park in Gufunes, Reykjavik
- 2009 School grounds for a new day care center and elementary school in Reykjavik. Hjallastefna private schools.
- 2008- Redesign (eco-design) of school grounds at the Laufásborg preschool in Reykjavik.
- 2007 Project manager, masterplan for Vestursvæði nature/historic/recreational park at Seltjarnarnes, Iceland, Hornsteinar architects for the town of Seltjarnarnes, Iceland.
- 2007 Urban landscape analysis for the Borgartún business district in Reykjavik, Hornsteinar architects for the City of Reykjavik.
- 2007 Design of a new elementary school and school grounds in Reykjavik. Hornsteinar architects for the City of Reykjavik.
- 2005 Development of a planning strategy for a new eco-neighborhood in Kjalarnes, Reykjavik. Co-author with Vilhjálm Hjálmarsson architect in collaboration with Reykjavik's Planning Office and Reykjavik's Office of the Environment.

residential design:

Braedratunga (2006), Heidarhjalli (2005), and Birkigrund (2005) in the town of Kópavogur, Iceland, Falkastigur (2003) in Áltanes, Iceland, Hogshead residence, Raleigh, NC., USA (1999), Meðalfellsvatn (2010), Grímsnes (2004).

design workshops:

- 2010 Waterpark design with staff at the Laugardalur Family Park in Reykjavik.
- 2009 School grounds design at Álftanesskóli elementary and middle school 2009, Áltanes, Iceland.
- 2008 School grounds design at Laufásborg preschool in Reykjavik.
- 2006 School grounds design at Álftamýrarskóli elementary and middle school in Reykjavik.
- 2005 School grounds design at Andakílsskóli elementary school in Borgarfjörður, Iceland.
- 2004 Training grounds design at Landnemar, center for scouts in Reykjavik.
- 2004 Redesign of a thoroughfare road through a residential neighborhood, the City of Reykjavik.
- 2001 Design of a public educational park in a low income flooded area in Raleigh, NC, USA.
- 2003 Consultant on a user based design of school grounds, Reykjavik Department of Education.
- 2003 Consultant on community planning workshops, the town of Akranes, Iceland.

competition juries:

- 2012 *Ingólfstorg*. 2-step international competition for a hotel and urban plaza in downtown Reykjavik.
- 2008 *Signage for culturally important sites in Reykjavik*.

conferences:

- 2013 Organization and conference facilitator of a Nordic conference, *Designing Tourist Destinations*, Nordic landscape architecture associations, Reykjavik.
- 2011 Organization and conference facilitator, *Sustainability and the Built Environment*, international conference, on behalf of the Association of Icelandic Architects and The Iceland GBC, Reykjavik.
- 2011 Organization and facilitator of a seminar on sustainable built environment, *Vistmennt í Arkitektúr og Skipulagi*, on behalf of the association of Icelandic Architects and the Iceland GBC, Reykjavik.
- 2009 Conference facilitator, *Sustainability and Design*, international conference and Topos magazine annual award ceremony, on behalf of the Federation of Icelandic Landscape Architects, Reykjavik.

exhibitions:

- 2012 Coordinator (on behalf of Istanbul Technical University) for the exhibition of 300 most prominent architectural projects in 2011 and the award ceremony for the International Architecture Award, The European Centre for Architecture Art Design and Urban Studies og The Chicago Athenaeum: Museum of Architecture and Design.
- 2011 Project manager and designer, Visit Iceland (Íslandsperlur), marketing weekend exhibition for the tourism industry, Perlan Reykjavik.
- 2010 Project manager and designer, Visit Iceland (Íslandsperlur), marketing weekend exhibition for the tourism industry, Perlan Reykjavik.
- 2010 Project manager, Visit Iceland (Íslandstjaldið), outdoor marketing exhibition and events, Reykjavik cultural festival.

recent art projects:

- 2010 *Ísafold*, interactive painting including 7artists-7m-7hrs. The Island Tourist Board, Reykjavik Culture Night (Menningarnótt)
- 2009 *Guttormur*, outdoor community sculpture in Reykjavik with 25 teenagers and sculptors Ólöf Nordal and Aðalheiður S. Eysteinsdóttir.

honors and awards

- 2012 First place, international architectural competition, addition to a high school in Reykjavik. Landscape architect and sustainability consultant. In collaboration with Skipark architects, Reykjavik.
- 2012 Second place, competition for a new health center/retirement home in East Iceland. Landscape architect and sustainability consultant. In collaboration with T.Ark Architects, Reykjavik.
- 2007 First place in a competition for a new preschool and elementary school and school grounds in Reykjavik. Member of the Hornsteinar architects winning team.
- 1999 Magna Cum Laude upon MLA graduation at NCSU.
- 1998 Member of the International Landscape Architecture Honor Society Sigma Lambda Alpha (Alpha Sigma chapter).
- 1996 Magna Cum Laude upon BA-Fine Arts graduation at Auburn University at Montgomery, Alabama.
- 1996 First prize at the Auburn University at Montgomery juried student art exhibition.
- 1996 Second prize at the “Clay Along The 33 Parallel” at the University of San Angelo, Texas. Juried student art exhibition of sixteen universities in the U.S.

- 1995 Third prize at the Auburn University at Montgomery juried student art exhibition.
1995-96 Academic scholarship award at Auburn University at Montgomery.

memberships

- 2009- Appointed member of the Board of Laugardalur District in Reykjavik.
2009-10 Working group developing a strategic sustainability plan for the University of Iceland (external advisory member).
2008 Working group on the status of art education in elementary and middle schools in Reykjavik, Reykjavik's Educational Board.
2008 Member of the City of Reykjavik Board of Culture and Travel.
2005 - Laugardalur Reykjavik Neighborhood Association, chair 2007-2010.
2002 - The Federation of Icelandic Landscape Architects (FILA).
- Member of the FILA's Board of Education, chair 2004-2008.
- Member of the editorial board of professional magazine *Arkitektúr* issued by associations of Icelandic architects and landscape architects since 2008. Co-editor since 2013.
2000 - Environmental Design Research Association (EDRA).

languages

Icelandic (native), English (very good), German and Nordic languages (good understanding), French (basic understanding).

computer knowledge

MS Office (Word, Excel, Power Point, Outlook, Publisher), SAS JMP (statistics), SPSS, EndNote, Microstation, Filemaker, Adobe Illustrator, Adobe Photoshop, Adobe Pagemaker, GIS (basic), Mindmanager and more.

other interests

Hiking, traveling, painting, sculpture, and classical singing (member of a renaissance choir and professional private lessons).