Martin Joseph Houston

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Education University of Cincinnati B.Arch 1992

College of Design, Architecture, Art and Planning

University of Cincinnati 1984-1986

College of Engineering

Experience Walsh Construction Company 2006- Present

Quality Director

Responsible for the execution of quality assurance and quality control processes to ensure delivery of high quality projects to our clients. Position requires management of in house resources as well as external consultants, department budget and human resources to achieve a level of project quality unmatched in the construction industry.

Myhre Group Architects 2005-2006

Project Manager

Responsible for managing architectural teams from schematic design through construction administration. Position required management of internal human resources, external consultants and budgets and building relationships with clients as their primary point of contact with the firm.

Houston 1999-2005

President

Responsible for operation of small architectural design firm specializing in commercial and residential design, including tenant improvements, new commercial development and historic residential remodels. Responsibilities included financial management of company, primary client relationship development, marketing, design, drafting and construction administration.

Fletcher Farr Avotte 1998-1999

Job Captain

Responsible for design and drafting of new custom residential projects working directly with firm principal. Position required knowledge of building codes and practices, material selection and detail coordination as well as construction administration.

Works Design Build

1994-1998

Partner

Responsible for managing multiple projects in both the design and construction phases. Tasks included design and drafting of residential additions and remodels, material selection, detail coordination, permit acquisition and construction administration. Responsibilities also included working with the construction team to execute the design work produced by our company.

Professional Affiliations

Licensed Architect

2001-Present

State of California

LEED Accredited Professional

2007-Present

Infrared Training Center

2010- Present

Certified Building Science Thermographer

American Institute of Architects

Member

2006- Present

Portland Building Enclosure Council

Member of Board of Directors

2007-Present

Construction Specifications Institute

Member

2011-2017

Construction Specifications Institute

Board Member

2015-2017

Construction Specifications Institute

2013-Present

Certified Document Technologist

Public Presentations

Seattle BEC 2017 Symposium

May 2017

"The Contractor's Role in Creating High Performance Enclosures"

Oregon Society of Healthcare Engineers

May 2017

"The Role of the Building Enclosure in Creating Facilities That Ensure Patient Safety, Durability and Energy Efficiency"

Passive House NW Conference

April 2017

"Building the Multi-Family Passive House"

RCI Convention

March 2017

"A Comparison of Three Energy Retrofit Strategies"

WCC Building Science Seminar

June 2016

"Movement in Wood Buildings- Understanding, Designing and Building with Wood"

Utah Building Enclosure Council

December 2015

Seattle Building Enclosure Council

"Orchards at Orenco Passive House"

October 2015

Westford Symposium on Building Science

"The Arc of Quality"

August 2015

BC HPO Conference on Large Wood Buildings June 2015

"Constructability Considerations for Large Wood Framed Buildings"

ABAA Conference May 2015

"Design and Construction for Passive House"

Portland Building Enclosure Council

"Building Envelope Value Engineering:

Intelligent Design vs. Evolution"

Portland BEC 2014 Symposium

June 2014

March 2015

"5 Over 1 Buildings in the City of Portland"

AIA Seattle- Data Driven Design Forum

December 2013

"Research and Development at Walsh Construction"

Oregon Building Officials Association

October 2013

"Airtightness, NFPA 285 and Fire Rated Assemblies"

Portland Building Enclosure Council

May 2013

"Air Barrier Case Studies"

OHCS Annual Conference

October 2011

"The 30 Year Building (On a Budget)"

British Columbia Building Enclosure Council

September 2011

"Air Barrier Commissioning of Large Buildings"

Portland Building Enclosure Council

September 2011

"Using an Envelope Consultant- Working Relationship, Set Up and Strategies"

Panel Discussion

AIA Seattle- "Which Craft"

June 2011

"Research and Development at Walsh Construction Company"

Walsh Construction Quality Seminar

May 2011

"Historical Development of Fire Rated Construction"

"Fire Safety Implications of Continuous Exterior Insulation"

Eugene CSI

April 2011

"High R Walls for the Pacific Northwest- a Hygrothermal Analysis of Various Wall Assemblies"

Portland Building Enclosure Council

March 2011

"High R Walls for the Pacific Northwest- a Hygrothermal Analysis of Various Wall Assemblies"

Association of Physical Plant Administrators

RMA Conference

October 2010

"Quality Assurance and Quality Control Programs for Green Construction"

Walsh Construction Quality Seminar

June 2010

"High R Walls for the Pacific Northwest- a Hygrothermal Analysis of Various Wall Assemblies"

"Aggressive Energy Retrofits Versus Historic Preservation"
"The Quality Process- You Don't Get Something for Nothing"

Published Work

Journal of Building Enclosure Design

Summer 2012

"How Do the Requirements of NFPA 285 Affect the Work of General Contractors?"

Building Envelope Science and Technology

"Implementation of Quality Management for Enclosure Systems for High Performance Buildings"

Co-authored with Michael P. Steffen

Portland Monthly September 2008

"Inside Connection"

Community Service Youth Progress Association 2007- 2013

Board Member, President

Orlo 1994-1995

Board Member