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Dr. William J. Carpenter, FAIA is a nationally recognized architect and educator. He has won numerous design awards and accolades for his teaching. He is a founder of Lightroom a nationally award winning design firm in Decatur, Ga. specializing in architecture and new media projects for commercial and residential clients. Carpenter received the national ACSA/AIAS Educator of the Year Award in 2000 and the National Young Architects Citation in 1997. He was elected as a Fellow in the AIA in 2000. He is also author of an important and well-regarded book; —Learning by Building: Design and Construction in Architectural Education, Wiley, 1997. His work has been published in Southern Living, Atlanta Homes and Lifestyles, Print Magazine Atlanta Magazine and ERA April, 2006. He studied and worked for renowned architect and AIA Gold Medalist Samuel Mockbee FAIA and New York architect Norman Jaffe FAIA known for his elegant buildings that respond to the landscape.

## **Education**

### *Postgraduate*

Birmingham Institute of Art & Design  
Birmingham School of Architecture PhD, 2005  
Dissertation: Studied under Professor Thomas Muir  
Design and Construction in Architectural Education

### *Graduate*

Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University, College of Architecture and Urban Design  
Master of Architecture with honors, 1989  
Thesis: The Aspen Institute of Humanistic Studies  
Thesis Award Recipient, Virginia Prize Finalist

### *Undergraduate*

Mississippi State University, School of Architecture  
Bachelor of Architecture, 1986  
Studied under Samuel Mockbee FAIA and Christopher Rischer  
Awarded the McCool Scholarship

## **Professional Experience**

Norman Jaffe FAIA Bridgehampton NY 1982-84

Samuel Mockbee FAIA (AIA Gold Medalist) 1986-87

Licensed Architect, Georgia

Licensed Interior Designer, Georgia

Virginia Polytechnic, 1993

Senior Associate, Chevy Chase Presbyterian Church, 1988-93 BMK

Smith Dalia Architects, 1993-97  
-King Plow Arts Center  
-Imperial Hotel  
-Atlanta Medical Center-College of Nursing  
-The Bridge Center for Abused Children  
-Adidas Olympic Center, 1996

Earl Swensson FAIA, Associates  
Nashville, TN  
Project Architect  
-The Aspen Institute-Queenstown, MD

### **Educator**

Omore College 1986-88  
Franklin, TN  
Adjunct Professor

Southern Poly State University Projects  
-Emory Reggio- Emilia School and Childcare Center  
-Reynoldstown Theater

Committee Chair - Student Status Committee 1999-2001  
-Design Build Projects  
-ValuJet Memorial  
-Memorial Garden  
-Super Block Competition  
-Prefabricated Home  
-Artists Market Pavilion  
-Reynoldstown Garden Park and Graffiti Wall

### **Guest Lectures**

AIA Puerto Rico  
AIA Convention: Los Angeles  
AIA Orlando  
AIA San Antonio  
AIA Las Vegas  
AIA Los Angeles

Washington Alexandria Center for Architecture

The Catholic University of America, 1988-93  
Guest Critic

Jury Member  
National AIAS Competition, 1989

President -1999  
AIA Georgia

Chairman - 1998  
Academic Affairs, AIA Georgia

Co-Founder - 2005  
AIA Georgia High School Design Competition

Co-Founder - 2002  
Decatur Children's Parade and Decatur Arts Festival

Co-Chair - 1999-2005  
Art Walk, City of Decatur

Founder - 2007  
Breather Conference- [www.breather.org](http://www.breather.org)

Board Member - 2005 - present  
Decatur Arts Alliance

Board Member - 2001 -05  
Community Housing Resource Center- [www.chrcatlanta.org](http://www.chrcatlanta.org)

Founder - 1999  
Community Design/Build Studio

Chair – 1994 -99  
Curriculum Committee

Lecture Series Coordinator – 1994 -99  
SPSU

Chair - 1998  
AIA Georgia Convention Program Committee

Coordinator - 1994  
National AIAS/Young Architects Convention

National Chair - 1993  
AIA Young Architects Forum

National Awards Chair - 1994  
AIA Young Architects Forum

Lecture Series Director/Founder - 1992  
"Modernism Reconsidered" Smithsonian Institution

Guest Lecturer: AIAS National Forum, 2000  
Architecture and the Homeless

Guest Lecturer: AIA Denver, 2000  
"Theory and Practice"-Denver, CO

Guest Lecturer: Catholic University of America, 2000  
"Recent Work"

## **Architecture**

William Carpenter FAIA Architects 1997-2003  
Atlanta, GA

1776 Peachtree Street with MRL Design  
Atlanta, GA

Ogilvie-Gannon Pavilion  
Nashville, TN

Amy Carter Residence (phase 1)  
Atlanta, GA

Lightroom 2003- present

Café Noor

Decatur Modern

Train- Brandon Bush Recording Studio

Bush Residence  
Atlanta, GA

Amy Carter Residence (phase 2)  
Atlanta, GA

Dominey Pavilion  
Atlanta, GA

Beals Pavilion  
Atlanta, GA

Kyle Cooper: Prologue Film  
Malibu, CA

Design Coup  
Decatur, GA

The Village Vets  
Decatur, GA

## Website and Identity Design

Atlantel

[www.atlantel.net](http://www.atlantel.net)

Atlanta Botanical Gardens

[www.atlantabotanicalgarden.org](http://www.atlantabotanicalgarden.org)

Blue Cross Blue Shield of Tennessee (with Razorfish)

[www.bcbst.com](http://www.bcbst.com)

Brand New Engine

[www.brandnewengine.com](http://www.brandnewengine.com)

Breather

[www.breather.org](http://www.breather.org)

Commander Chameleon

[www.commanderchameleon.com](http://www.commanderchameleon.com)

The Cycle Theory (with Kevin and Aaron Byrd)

[www.thecycletheory.com](http://www.thecycletheory.com)

Decatur Modern

[www.decaturnmodern.com](http://www.decaturnmodern.com)

The Elvis Film Collection (with Spacksgrove)

[http://dvd.elvis.com/ultimate\\_film/index.php](http://dvd.elvis.com/ultimate_film/index.php)

Fake Checks

[www.fakechecks.org](http://www.fakechecks.org)

The Food Loop

[www.foodloop.com](http://www.foodloop.com)

Galbraith Design Studio

[www.galbraithdesignstudio.com](http://www.galbraithdesignstudio.com)

Gray Fusion

[www.grayfusion.com](http://www.grayfusion.com)

Huey Partners (with Kevin and Aaron Byrd)

[www.hueyparners.com](http://www.hueyparners.com)

Lenz Marketing

[www.lenzmarketing.com](http://www.lenzmarketing.com)

Lightroom 1.0

[www.lightroom.tv/archive](http://www.lightroom.tv/archive)

Lindsey Dowell (with Kevin and Aaron Byrd)

[www.lindseydowell.com](http://www.lindseydowell.com)

The Lyric Oxford

[www.thelyricoxford.com](http://www.thelyricoxford.com)

Mark Edge Jewelry

[www.markedge.com](http://www.markedge.com)

Mary Stanley Studio

[www.marystanleystudio.com](http://www.marystanleystudio.com)

Peachtree Bikes

[www.peachtreebikes.com](http://www.peachtreebikes.com)

Shadowlight Pictures

[www.shadowlightpictures.com](http://www.shadowlightpictures.com)

Transforming Church

[www.transformingchurch.com](http://www.transformingchurch.com)

Turner Comedy Channel

“Lester” early concept studies

Unique World Hotels (with Fisher Paty)  
www.uniqueworldhotels.com  
William Carpenter  
www.williamcarpenter.com  
Yellowwood  
www.greatsouthernwood.com

**Films** 2005 - present

*Horror Show*  
*The Cycle Theory*  
*Alan Messer- Johnny Cash: A Profile*  
*Arizona*  
*MAASSQUART*  
Food Loop Video  
*Moved* with Shadowlight Pictures

**Awards**

Best Picture *Moved* International 48 Hour Film Festival 2006  
(Lightroom was a team collaborator)

Print Magazine Award of Excellence 2006  
"The Food Loop" identity package

AIA South Atlantic Region Design Awards 2007  
Special Commendation Lightroom Studios

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Reynoldstown Theater 2001  
Antoine Predock, Jury Chair

AIA Georgia Design Award of Merit-1999  
Reynoldstown Theater Project

National ACSA Award-1999  
New Faculty Teaching Award

National Award: AIA Education Honor-1996  
Presented at Cranbrook Academy

Citation of Excellence-1998  
AIA Atlanta

Award of Excellence: Northern Virginia AIA, YAF-1993  
Martinsburg High School

Award of Merit: Northern Virginia AIA, YAF-1993

The Aspen Institute

Award of Merit: Middleburg, Virginia-1993  
Historic District Guidelines

Award of Merit  
"A Guardhouse"-Northern Virginia AIA, YAF-1991

Award of Excellence  
"Recent Work"-Northern Virginia AIA, YAF-1991  
Keynote Speaker, ACSA National Technology Conference--2004  
National Educator of the Year - 2000  
ACSA/AIAS

Award of Excellence - 2001  
South Atlantic Region of the AIA

AIA Georgia Bronze Medal – 2000

Hyde Chair of Excellence – 1999  
University of Nebraska

National ACSA Collaborative Practice Award - 1999

National ACSA Education Honor - 1998

National AIA Young Architects Citation -1997

**Exhibits**

Rialto Arts Center-Solo Exhibition and Screening  
"Intra" Lightroom Recent Works- 2005  
Curator Cathy Byrd

Metropolitan Washington Young Architects Exhibition: Permanent Collection  
Atlanta, GA

Recent Work: Setting the Stage Gallery  
Alexandria, VA, 1993

Recent Works  
The National Building Museum  
Washington, DC, 1993

Drawings and Origins  
Ewing Gallery of Art and Architecture  
Knoxville, TN, 1992

Marcia Wood Gallery: Permanent Collection  
Washington, DC 1992

Solo Exhibition  
Sarratt Gallery, Vanderbilt University, 1988

### **Publications/Conferences**

*Learning by Building: Design and Construction in Architectural Education*  
VanNostrand Reinhold, 1997

*The Architects Guide to Design Build Services*  
Wiley, 2003 Chapter Co-author with George Elvin PhD – Chapter 14

Co-Chair – Experiences in Design Build, Expanding Dimensions of Practice and Education – 2002

2002 ACSA National Design-Build Conference Co-Chair, with Professor George Elvin of The University of Illinois *Experiences in Design Build, Expanding Dimensions of Practice and Education* Atlanta, Ga., This was the first time the American Institute of Architects and the Association of Collegiate Schools of Architecture had ever jointly sponsored a conference.

Construct: PP596-401  
Proceedings: Recreation, Current & Tides  
In Architectural Education  
ACSA Western Regional Meeting University of Hawaii

“Education and Practice”  
Architecture Magazine Contributing Author

*The Young Architects Handbook*  
Co-Author, AIA Press

“A Memorial Chapel”  
The Metropolitan, Washington  
Young Architects Forum

The Washington DC Underground Guidebook  
Award of Excellence: Print Magazine

Urban Design Guidelines  
Town of Middleburg, VA, Author

Urban Design Guidelines  
Marine Corps University, Quantico, VA, Author (in collaboration with GSSSP)