

## Erik Thorkildsen

## Design Principal

Mr. Thorkildsen has been with Michael Dennis & Associates since 1984 and is the firm's Design Principal. He has been Project Architect/Designer for many of MDA's buildings including the Schwartz Center for Performing Arts at Emory University, the Music Instruction Building at Ball State University, and the University Center at Carnegie Mellon. He has also played an integral role in the firm's campus planning initiatives. Mr. Thorkildsen has extensive experience in all phases of the design, construction, and master planning processes, from Programming and Feasibility Studies through Design Development, Construction Documents, and Construction Administration.

In 1999, Mr. Thorkildsen was the recipient of the prestigious Gabriel Prize, a traveling research grant provided by the Western European Architectural Foundation. The Gabriel Prize provided the opportunity to study and document several influential French châteaux, their relationship to the urban realm, and their role in mediating between the built environment, formal gardens, and the natural landscape.



### Institutional Planning & Design Experience

#### The University of Texas at El Paso—El Paso, Texas

- › Campus Master Plan

#### The University of Texas at San Antonio—San Antonio, Texas

- › Campus Master Plan

#### Amherst College—Amherst, Massachusetts

- › Science Facility Planning Study

#### University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill—Chapel Hill, North Carolina

- › Kenan Music Building
- › Music Building Phase II
- › Arts Common Plan

#### Middlebury College—Middlebury, Vermont

- › Campus Master Plan

#### The Ohio State University—Columbus, Ohio

- › Ohio Union
- › Campus Master Plan

#### Maryville College—Maryville, Tennessee

- › Civic Arts Center

#### Texas A&M University—College Station Texas

- › Campus Master Plan
- › Historic Core District Plan
- › Housing District Plans & Feasibility Study

#### University of Michigan—Ann Arbor, Michigan

- › North Quad Academic and Residential Complex

#### Princeton University—Princeton, New Jersey

- › Emma B. Bloomberg Hall

#### Ball State University—Muncie, Indiana

- › Music Instruction Building

#### Emory University—Atlanta, Georgia

- › Schwartz Center for Performing Arts
- › Arts Common Precinct Plan

### Education

University of Virginia  
Bachelor of Science in Architecture  
1974–79

University of Virginia  
Master of Architecture, 1980–83

### Awards and Grants

- 2011 CNU Charter Award  
UTSA Campus Master Plan
- 2010 AIA Austin Design Award  
UTSA Campus Master Plan
- 2008 BSA Campus Planning Award  
Middlebury College
- 2004 BSA Campus Planning Award  
Texas A&M Campus Master Plan
- 2004 Texas Society of Architects  
Design Award  
Texas A&M Campus Master Plan
- 1999 Gabriel Prize  
Western European  
Architectural Foundation
- 1997 AIA/BIA Charles Bulfinch Award  
CMU University Center
- 1996 Boston AIA Design Award  
CMU University Center
- 1994 PA Urban Design Citation  
USC Precinct Plan
- 1993 AIA Honor Award  
ASU Music Building

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## Awards and Grants

- 1990 PA Urban Design Award  
UVA Carr's Hill Plan
- 1990 Boston AIA Design Award  
CMU East Campus Project
- 1988 Progressive Architecture  
Urban Design Citation  
Carnegie Mellon Project
- 1983 AIA Scholastic Award:  
The AIA School Medal &  
Certificate of Honor from the  
Henry Adams Fund

## Exhibitions

- 1996 *Work at CMU*  
Carnegie Mellon University
- 1990 *Three Projects*  
University of Virginia
- 1986 *Recent Work*  
University of Virginia
- 1986 *Architectural Thresholds:  
Twelve Architectural  
Practices in Boston*  
HGSD Gallery
- 1985 *ASR Architectural  
Drawings Auction*  
Max Protech Gallery
- 1985 *Recent Work*  
Syracuse University
- 1984 *UCSB Competition*  
AIA Gallery, San Francisco, CA
- 1983 *UCSB Competition*  
University Art Museum,  
Santa Barbara, CA

## Academic Experience

Teaching Assistant:  
Graduate Architectural Design Studio,  
University of Virginia, 1981–83

Guest Juror:  
University of Virginia, Roger Williams  
College, Cornell University, Harvard  
University, Syracuse University

Independent Project Advisor:  
Boston Architectural Center, 1995

**King Khalid University**—Abha, Kingdom of Saudi Arabia  
› Campus Plan Competition

**Belmont Technical College**—St. Clairsville, Ohio  
› Campus Master Plan

**Cornell University**—Ithaca, New York  
› West Campus Residential Initiative

**University of Southern California**—Los Angeles, California  
› University Park Campus Master Plan  
› Health Sciences Campus Master Plan  
› Hoover Boulevard Precinct Study

**Carnegie Mellon University**—Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania  
› Campus Plan  
› University Center  
› Bridge & Ravine Feasibility Study  
› Purnell Center for the Arts  
› EMT Building Feasibility Study  
› Parking Garage & Stadium  
› Athletic Fields  
› Dormitory/Dining Hall

**University of California at San Francisco**—San Francisco, California  
› Mission Bay Biomedical Research Laboratory Competition

**University of Georgia**—Athens, Georgia  
› Alumni Center  
› Indoor Athletic Facility

**Mary Washington College**—Fredericksburg, Virginia  
› Stafford Campus Master Plan  
› Graduate & Continuing Education Center

**University of Cincinnati**—Cincinnati, Ohio  
› Tennis Facility

**Malaysia University of Science and Technology**—Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia  
› Campus Master Plan

**Virginia Commonwealth University**—Richmond, Virginia  
› Campus Plan & Guidelines  
› Broad Street Study

**University of Virginia**—Charlottesville, Virginia  
› Aquatic & Fitness Center  
› Carr's Hill Precinct Study

**Arizona State University**—Tempe, Arizona  
› Music Building Expansion

**Syracuse University**—Syracuse, New York  
› Science/Technology Building  
› Art Building Feasibility Study

**University of California at Santa Barbara**—Santa Barbara, California  
› University Art Museum