

THOMAS R. DUNBAR, FASLA, IRPA, APA Principal, Landscape Architect



OVERVIEW

Tom Dunbar is a nationally respected landscape architect with extensive and diverse experience spanning more than thirty years of professional practice. Since 1982, he has been senior partner at Dunbar/Jones PLC, a landscape architecture and planning firm with a professional office in Des Moines. Tom has gained an in-depth knowledge of Iowa's natural, cultural, and historic resources while working with a broad range of groups and governments to successfully identify, plan, design and implement projects at the local, regional, and state levels. Tom provides leadership in marketing, administration, and project management and is well known for his highly successful approach to identifying and solving problems. With his ability to utilize the active participation of clients, he creates positive, meaningful, lasting solutions to planning and design issues and is recognized for his ability to get those affected by the outcome of a proposed project actively involved in the process of seeking a solution.

In addition to his private practice, Tom has been active in the American Society of Landscape Architects (ASLA) and was honored to be elected by his peers to serve on the Executive Committee and as President of this National Association, the first landscape architect from Iowa to do so. His participation in ASLA at both the national and state levels has afforded him additional opportunities to work with diverse groups while cultivating the participatory and creative problem solving techniques for which he is recognized. Tom has also served as Adjunct Professor in both the Landscape Architecture and Community and Regional Planning Departments at Iowa State University.

SPECIALIZATIONS

Project Facilitation
Public Involvement
Parks and Recreation Planning
Transportation Enhancements
Streetscape Design
Greenways and Trails
Strategic Planning
Design Development
Water Quality
Natural Resource Management

PROFESSIONAL REGISTRATIONS

Landscape Architect: Iowa (Certificate No. 180)
Landscape Architect: Kansas (Certificate No. 175)

THOMAS R. DUNBAR, FASLA, IRPA, APA (CONTINUED)

EDUCATION

MBA, University of Iowa, 1992
Harvard Graduate School of Design–Design Firm Management System, 1989
MS, Landscape Architecture, University of Wisconsin, 1974
BS, Landscape Architecture, Iowa State University, 1969

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS / COMMUNITY SERVICE

American Society of Landscape Architects:
Past President, President (1997-1998), President-Elect, Vice President
of Finance, Board of Trustees, Convention Chair, Leadership
Development Task Force Chair
Landscape Architectural Accreditation Board
Iowa Chapter, American Society of Landscape Architects
American Planning Association
Iowa Parks and Recreation Association
Iowa State University, College of Design, Dean's Advisory Council
Iowa State University, Landscape Architecture Practitioners' Advisory
Council
University of Wisconsin, Landscape Architecture Advisory Committee
City of Des Moines, Mayor's Task Force
Metropolitan Design Advisory Team
Iowans for a Better Future, Board of Directors

PROFESSIONAL AWARDS / RECOGNITION

American Society of Landscape Architects:
President's Medal
American Society of Landscape Architects:
Elected to the Council of Fellows
Iowa Chapter, American Society of Landscape Architects:
ASLA Honor Award Winner:
Joseph Family Memorial, Des Moines Botanical Center
Iowa Chapter, American Society of Landscape Architects:
ASLA Merit Award Winners:
~~ASLA~~ Master Parks and Trails Plan, West Des Moines, Iowa
~~ASLA~~ Central Iowa Greenways Plan, Story/Polk/Dallas/Warren Counties
~~ASLA~~ Des Moines International Airport Gateway and Terminal
~~ASLA~~ Metro Regional Collection Center Master Landscape Plan
~~ASLA~~ Logan Square: A Citizen Based Neighborhood Planning Process
Iowa Chapter, American Society of Landscape Architects:
Award for Outstanding Contribution to a Better Environment:
The Logan Primer: A Homeowners' Guide to Urban Forestry
City of Des Moines:
Outstanding Partner to the Community Garden Coalition:
A Program of the Parks and Recreation Department
Iowa Concrete Paving Association:
Special Recognition Award:
Clear Creek Greenbelt, Phase 1, Coralville, Iowa