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## **RESUME**

Christopher (Kip) McMahan, AIA, NCARB, AUA, LEED AP is a strategic thinker providing direction for master plans and capital projects and is proficient in capital budgets and client programming. As a past university architect, he has provided administrative leadership managing capital projects for residence halls, academic, research, athletic, and library projects. He places trust in advanced planning and the creation of project charters to secure approved funding - maintaining scope, budget, and schedule in the process.

## **PRACTICE**

01/2009 – 04/2015: **Christopher McMahan Architect, Inc.**, Providence, RI – Principal Architecture design practice specializing in campus planning and design, project consulting, and strategic initiatives.

01/2023 – 05/2025: **AECOM** - Campus Planning Leader, East Division based in Boston. Subject Matter Expert in higher education campus planning providing thought leadership that advances innovations in campus organization, form, experience, amenities, and infrastructure.

06/2018 – 07/2022: **The University of Wisconsin - Madison**, – Assistant Vice Chancellor, Campus Planning & Design, University Architect: Refocused a 60-person work force with an annual operating budget of \$5 M; adding in two years 12 new positions to staff providing campus planning, capital budgets, project design + delivery, and space planning/real estate for a 900-acre campus. With over \$1.4 B in planning, design and construction in summer 2022 for research, academics, and student services, projects include the \$121 M new Veterinary Medicine School; \$113 M Gymnasium Natatorium replacement, \$225 M New Computer Science Data and Informatics building, and numerous large and small projects. Capital Plan submittals include the FY '23 – '29 total \$2,549 B six-year state enumeration request. Committees: Design Review Board, Chair; Revenue Innovation committee; Real Estate Strategy & Innovation Group.

05/2015 – 06/2018: **The University of Rhode Island**, Kingston, RI – Director, Campus Planning + Design, University Architect: campus design advocate; directed consultants on \$223 million of combined capital projects; managed and mentored staff; guided initiatives for institutional approval. New construction included: \$125 M College of Engineering; \$92 M 500 bed Residence Hall; and \$6 M University Welcome Center. Directed Kingston Campus master plans for interrelated parking, transportation, and landscape analysis. Directed Narragansett Bay Campus master plan analysis for \$285 M campus renewal.

01/2009 – 04/2015: **Christopher McMahan Architect, Inc.**, Providence, RI – President Launched architectural design and planning design practice for real estate developers and nonprofit clients. Developed master plans for Miriam Hospital, Boston Psychoanalytic Society and Institute, Community College of RI. Providence Hebrew Day School

01/2012 – 03/2014: **Fletcher Thompson Architecture Engineering, LLC.**, New York, NY, – NYC Office Principal Provided direction for NYC office and Rhode Island practice through management, business development, and design leadership. Provided strategic vision and goal implementation firm wide. Managed/mentored staff hires/reviews and matched salary increases to performance. Provided principal design for new \$70 million residential campus master plan and building design. Multiple contracts with FDNY, NYSCA, DASNY.

10/2007 – 01/2009: **Steffian Bradley Architects**, Boston, MA – Principal Led business development in regional markets for higher education and commercial development sectors. Developed business development goals and strategic planning initiatives.

08/1992 – 07/2007: **Robinson Green Beretta Corp**., Providence, RI – Vice President, Board Member, 03; Associate, '98; Design Architect, '92. Led strategic planning initiatives defining office practice goals and implementation. Provided extensive client management. Design lead on multiple projects in New England.



## PROFESSIONAL LICENSES + AFFILIATIONS

- 02/18 Certification: Campus and Community Crime Prevention through Environmental Design
- 06/16 Present: Association of University Architects
- 07/15 Present: Society of College and University Planners 48167
- 01/12 01/14: University of the State of NY, Education Dept, Architect License 035347
- 06/09 Present: LEED Accredited Professional BD+C 0A97F8993C
- 11/07 11/13: Urban Land Institute New York Council 394074
- 07/00 Present: Mass Division Professional Licensure Architectural License 10783
- 03/00 Present: NCARB Registration 52473
- 06/94 Present: American Institute of Architects member 30089764
- 09/91 Present: RI Board of Registration Architectural License 1978

#### **VOLUNTEER**

- 15-20: Rhode Island State Cultural Facilities Grant, annual review panelist
- 10-13: Veterans Memorial Auditorium Foundation, Board Member, Vice President
- 09-13: New England Foundation for the Arts, Board Member
- 02-09: RI State Council on the Arts, Board Director; Council Chairman '04 '09
- 2002: RISD Student Life Housing Neighborhood Advisory Committee
- 01-03: Providence Preservation Society, Trustee; Chair, Guidebook Committee
- 01-09: RI Citizens for the Arts, Board Director; Co-Chair, Artist's Space Initiative
- 00-08: RI Philharmonic Orchestra & Music School, Board Director; Executive Committee; Chair, Education Committee; Board Resources Committee; Board of Overseers
- 99-00: Transforming Providence: A Civic Discussion on Design, Founder and Chairman
- 97-00: The Music School, Inc., Board Director; Board President, '99

## AWARDS/PUBLICATIONS + PRESENTATIONS

- 09/17: RIDOT Innovation Expo, "Opportunities for Partnerships & Solutions in the Ocean State", panelist
- 02/13: Long Island City Chamber of Commerce, "Place-making + Economic Development", panelist
- 01/13: Sperry Van Ness Conference: "New Providence Group: Strategies for Asset Turnaround", panelist
- 04/11: CCRI Conference Panelist, "We Talk about Architecture, Architecture Talks Back", panelist
- 10/10: Urban Land Institute Technical Assistance Panel, Village Development Plan, Exeter RI
- 03/09: Providence Journal, editorial page, "Public Art and the State of RI"
- 05/08: Rhode Island Historic Preservation + Heritage Commission Award Rosedale Landing
- 02/06: RI Arts + Business Council 2006 Arts Advocate Award, with U.S. Congressional Citation
- 11/05: National Association of State Arts Agencies, Leadership Conference
- 12/03: RI chapter AIA, 2003 Executive Committee's Award for Outstanding Service to the Chapter
- 11/03: Providence Preservation Society, President's Award
- 10/03: "The PPS/AIAri Guide to Providence Architecture", Steering Committee Chair
- 05/03: RISD/AIA symposium, "A Fine Distinction: Urban Design versus Architectural Design", panelist
- 08/02: Masonry Institute, Golden Trowel Award: Courtyard by Marriott, Providence
- 03/02: Providence Journal, editorial page, "A Building that Transmits Meaning"
- 03/02: CEFPI: "The Town/Gown relationship: Where the Edges Are" campus master plan issues
- 11/00: AIA/RI Citation for Contributions to the Advancement of Architecture in the State

#### **TEACHING**

## Rhode Island School of Design

- 23 -26: Guest Critic, Dept. Interior Architecture, advanced design studios: Habitat for Justice
- 01-17: Guest Critic, Dept. Interior Architecture, multiple design studios and degree projects
- 2012: Part-time faculty, Dept. Interior Architecture, Sophomore Studio
- 88-01: Guest Critic, Department of Architecture, multiple design studios and degree projects
- 1999: Part-time faculty, Dept. of Interior Architecture, Sophomore Studio

#### **EDUCATION**

Rhode Island School of Design: BFA, BArch



#### **PROJECTS**

#### HIGHER EDUCATION

New England Institute of Technology – Strategic Visioning for AEC Advancement
University of Wisconsin - Madison – New Veterinary Medicine School; New Gymnasium Natatorium; New
Computer Science, Data and Informatics Science Building; Chase Museum planning
University of Rhode Island – New College of Engineering Building; New Residence Hall, Kingston Campus;
New Kingston Campus Welcome Center; Rhode Island Nursing Education Center
New York Institute of Technology – New Residence Hall + Campus Commons, Old Westbury, NY
Brown University – Public Health Department Alterations; Real Estate Acquisitions Analysis
Community College of Rhode Island – Knight Campus Addition; Liston Campus Additions
Fairfield University – New Apartment Style Residence Hall
Johnson + Wales University – Library Alterations; Culinary Arts Facility; Admissions Center
Providence College – New Apartment Style Dormitory
Rhode Island School of Design – Mail Room Alterations
University of Rhode Island – Graduate Student Housing; Keany Gym Rehabilitation
University of Massachusetts/Amherst – Academic Facility Programming

## **MASTER PLAN**

University of Rhode Island – Narragansett Bay Campus: Renewal in an Era of Climate Change University of Rhode Island – Kingston Campus Master Plans: Transportation and Parking; Landscape Fashion Institute of Technology – Master Plan Update, NYC
Boston Psychoanalytic Society and Institute – Programming and Feasibility Study
Greater Providence YMCA – Programming and Site Design; New Recreational/Community Building Jewish Federation RI – Providence Hebrew Day School; Jewish Community Day School Master Plan Rhode Island Board of Education - MET Career Training Facility, Providence Campus T.F. Green Airport, Warwick, RI – International Terminal Design; Intermodal Connector Providence College – Feinstein Hall Classroom Re-Use Analysis
University of Massachusetts/Dartmouth – Library Analysis
Rhode Island Convention Center - Mixed-Use Master Plan
Veterans Memorial Auditorium, Providence, RI – New Cultural Center Master Plan
104 West End Avenue, NYC – Zoning Study (ULURP)

## COMMERCIAL/MIXED USE

Davol Square, Providence, RI – High Rise Development Residential Towers Rosedale Apartments, Cranston, RI – National Register Historic Restoration Capital Center Parcel 1: Courtyard Hotel, Providence, RI – 216 Room High Rise Capital Center Parcel 9: Water Place, Providence, RI – High-Rise Mixed-Use Development Hull Town Center, Hull, MA – Large-scale Mixed-Use Development 124 W 60 Street, NYC – High Rise Residential Tower 109 E 96 Street, NYC – High Rise Residential Tower 250 W 89 Street, NYC – High Rise Residential Tower

# INSTITUTIONAL/MUNICIPAL/RELIGIOUS

LaSalle Academy Science Building, Providence, RI - Master Plan and Building Design Rhode Island Hospital Cooperative Care – Interior Build-Out Marian Congregation, Stockbridge, MA – Campus Master Plan; Visitor/Center; Recreation Center Bethany Home of Rhode Island – Nursing Home Interior Alterations Berkshire South Regional Community Center, Great Barrington, MA – Planning + Design Temple Emanu-El, Providence, RI – Facility Analysis; Masonry Restoration; Alterations/Additions