
MICKEY ACKERMAN

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PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

2015

MIT: 3D2, 3Days of Design Thinking
Faculty

2013 – Present

Business Innovation Factory
Chief Design Strategist

2012 – Present

Green School, Bali
Board member

2009 – 2012

Bennington College, Philadelphia University,
Johnson and Wales University
Consultant

2008 – 2009

Business Innovation Factory's Experience Labs
Management "Nursing Home of the Future" project
Director

2006 – 2014

Yestermorrow School, Warren Vermont
Trustee and advisor on curriculum development

2008 – 2012

College Unbound
Advisor

1995 – 1997

Mystic Seaport Museum
Director of Design and Product Development

1997 – 2005

Mystic Seaport
Consultant

1990 – 2006

Rhode Island School of Design
Industrial Design Department Head

1984 – Present

Rhode Island School of Design
Full time faculty member

1992

Glasgow School of Art
Visiting Faculty

1988 – 1989

Swire School of Design
Visiting Fellow Industrial Design Department

1979 – 1993

Conversions
Partner & founder

LECTURES & PANEL WORKSHOPS

2014

Juror, CORE77 Design Awards

2014

Juror, DESIGNxRI

2009

Centro Nacional de las Artes, Mexico City
"Education for problems that do not exist yet"

2009

MIT "DESIGN CREATIVITY WORKSHOP"

2006

NASA conference Washington D.C.

PATENTS

1986

Dental measuring probe, currently manufactured
by Bausch & Lomb

1982

Furniture folding mechanism

EDUCATION

1977 – 1979

Rhode Island School of Design
Master of Industrial Design

1973 – 1977

Skidmore College
University Without Walls

AWARDS

1981
Rosenthal Ag International Design Competition

1985
Worldesign ICSID '85, Special Recognition

SELECTED EXHIBITIONS

2013
Biennial Faculty Exhibition, RISD Museum

2011
Biennial Faculty Exhibition, RISD Museum

1994
Conservation by Design show, RISD Museum

1990
Biennial Faculty Exhibit, RI School of Design

1986
International Design Center, New York, NY
Art and Architectural Design, Baltimore, MD

1985
Gallery of Applied Arts, New York, NY

Area X Gallery, New York, NY
Biennial Faculty Exhibit, RI School of Design

1984
Atelier 84, Providence, RI

1981
Mathildenhoe Museum, Selb, West Germany
Art et Industrie, New York, NY

PUBLISHED REFERENCES

1986
New York Magazine, New York, NY

1985
Axis, Tokyo, Japan
Modern Style, The Main Street Press
The New York Times, New York, NY

1984
Metropolis, New York, NY