

John W. Szerdi - Architect, Contractor, Professor

Title President

Expertise Architectural Environmental Design
Custom Residential Design
Commercial Design
Rehabilitation / Renovation / Preservation Design
Building Inspections and Efficiency Analysis

Experience John has taught Architecture at the University of Florida as a graduate assistant from 1975-77, Broward Community College from 1980-1998 (1985-1998 as department head), architecture adjunct professor at Florida Atlantic University in 2006 and Assistant Professor at Indian River State College since 2011. He has been a featured speaker at numerous Green Building Conferences and Professional association conventions. He is one of the earlier LEED™ Accredited Professionals (LEED AP) from the US Green Building Council in 2004 as well as LEED AP BD+C, since 2010.

Mr. Szerdi has extensive experience integrating Living Machine™ technology and other natural energy and water systems in diverse environmental project applications for distinctive image and branding benefits including the El Monte Sagrado Resort (Taos, NM), AngelFire Resort (AngelFire, NM), SundryHouse Resort (Delray Beach,FL), EcoPlex Office Building (West Palm Beach, FL) ,Yaxche School (Taos NM), Turtle River Montessori School (Jupiter, FL), EcoCentre, The Living Building (Lake Worth,FL), and Destiny, Florida's first Eco-sustainable City.

He is President of LDG Florida Architects, Inc., aka Living Designs Group in Lake Worth, and LDG Construction Management. He is called upon for expert witness services because of his versatile experience in the field of design, construction and design since 1977.

Mr. Szerdi has been the Environmental Green consultant for Destiny, Florida, a green consultant for the City of Boynton Beach and City of Delray Beach, FL Community Redevelopment Agency, Green Architectural consultant on the Lake Worth Beach Casino project and the project architect for the City of Lake Worth, FL on the 19 acre Beach Redevelopment project.

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Academic Background

B.A. Architecture (1975) University of Florida
M.A. Architecture (1977) University of Florida
US Green Building Council LEED Accredited Professional 2004
National Council of Architectural Registration Board # 50777

Professional Licenses

Architect in Florida since 1979 (AR 7991)
Architect in New Mexico since 1998 (3468)
Certified General Contractor, State of Florida since 1977 (CGC011914)

Recent Publications & Authorships

“Integrating Ecosystems as Green Infrastructure”, John W. Szerdi,
Florida Engineering Society Journal, March 2009.

Co-author of patent for “Gunnash wall system”, applied/granted in New Mexico, USA 2002. Green Construction system using a non-retrievable forming system with a flyash, cement and native soil mixture also granted by the State of New Mexico as an alternative means of construction.

Shared copyright for the Biolarium© concept as a building space using natural systems for indoor environmental quality.

Professional Affiliations

Past Chairman of the US Green Building Council Treasure Coast and Palm Beach Branch, South Florida Chapter. Former Board Member of the US Green Building Council, South Florida Chapter.

Presented to the State American Institute of Architects 2008 State Convention on The EcoCentre, The Living Office Building as the architect for 2008’s example of green architecture in South Florida.

He presented projects at the National US Green Building Conferences on the applications of “Ecosystems as Infrastructure” in 2003 and 2004. Subsequently he has presented at the 2009 State Convention for Florida Engineers Society on “Aquatecture”: Water as a Driver of

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Design. Featured speaker at numerous green building conferences in Florida. (Smart Sustainable Tampa Bay/ USGBC, Treasure Coast Green Conference/USGBC, West Palm Beach Green Conference and Conference for Institute of Real Estate Management/National

Association

of Realtors, West Palm Beach).