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## EDUCATION

- 2002 **Cranbrook Academy of Art** Master of Architecture II, Elective in Ceramics
- 1995 **Tulane University, School of Architecture** Master of Architecture I  
Dean's Honor Full Scholarship, Thesis Commendation, Katz Award
- 1994 **Heriot-Watt University, Edinburgh College of Art** Junior Year Abroad

## PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Registered Architect: Florida, Louisiana LEED AP BD+C

- 2013-present **Marianne Desmarais, Architect LLC** Architect/LEED AP BD+C New Orleans, LA
- 2013-present **Kabot Desmarais LLC** Principal, Architect/Artist Cleveland/New Orleans
- 2013-2015 **PNOLA General Contracting L3C** Partner, Architect/LEED AP BD+C New Orleans, LA
- 2005-2012 **Rozas Ward Architects** Senior Associate/Architect, LEED AP BD+C New Orleans, LA
- 2004-2005 **C. Spencer Smith Architects** Project Architect New Orleans, LA
- 2001 **Peter Lynch, Architect** Project Team Detroit, MI
- 1997-2000 **Allen + Killcoyne Architects** Project Manager/Designer New York, NY
- 1996 **Berzak Gold Architects + Engineers** Junior Designer New York, NY
- 1995-1996 **Design Build** with P. Desmarais Designer/Builder Micanopy, FL

## ACADEMIC EXPERIENCE

**Tulane School of Architecture** Professor of Practice

- 2017 First Year Design Studio, Coordinator, Spring Term

**Tulane School of Architecture** Adjunct Lecturer

- 2017 First Year Design Studio, Coordinator, Spring Term
- 2016 First Year Design Studio, Fall Term  
TIDES 2020 Design Thinking + Place Making Co-taught with A. Schiller, Fall Term  
Thesis Design Advisor, Spring Term
- 2015 Thesis Advisor, Fall Term  
Integrated Building Systems, Spring Term  
Third Year Comprehensive Design Studio, Spring Term
- 2014 Prototyping Mutable Form Design Build, APFC 6720 Fall Term  
Integrated Building Systems, Spring Term  
Second Year Design Studio, Spring Term
- 2013 Third Year Design Studio, Fall Term  
First Year Design Studio, Spring Term
- 2012 Sustainable Design and Development, Co-taught with P. Weems and J.O. Evans III, Fall Term

## TEACHING GRANTS

- 2015 **Center for Engaged Learning & Teaching** Classroom Enhancement Grant
- 2013 **Center for Engaged Learning & Teaching** Classroom Enhancement Grant

## SELECTED PROJECTS

### Marianne Desmarais, Architect LLC

- 2017            **Petkauskas Residence:** New, four story residence. Richmond, VA
- 2016-2017      **Taylor Center:** Phase III Interior design + CA. Tulane University Uptown Campus, New Orleans, LA
- 2016            **Egan Sullivan Cottage:** Complete renovation and conditioning of a bargeboard structure in the historic Irish Channel. New Orleans, LA
- 2016            **Woodlands Conservancy:** Visioning document with building schematic design and budget provided for a Conservancy Center building. Delacroix Preserve, LA
- 2014-2016      **Taylor Center Phase II + III:** Interior design + CA. Tulane University Uptown Campus, New Orleans, LA
- 2014-2016      **Richardson Memorial Hall:** Interiors projects for the School of Architecture including furniture selection and layouts for studios, various classrooms + offices. Tulane University Uptown Campus, New Orleans, LA
- 2014-2015      **Adjmi Sutton Residence:** Design of new, two-story residence with Morris Adjmi. New Orleans, LA (not constructed)
- 2015            **Women With A Vision:** Faculty Lead for the Tulane City Center. Visioning Document with building schematic design and budget provided for the renovation of a existing house into a headquarters facility. New Orleans, LA
- 2015            **Sweets + Rose Inn:** Renovation schematics for mid-century modern motels on Tulane Ave. with Morris Adjmi. New Orleans, LA (not constructed)
- 2014-2015      **Lake Weir House:** Design and Construction Documents for a new residence assembled with locally sourced timber. Woodmar, FL (under construction)
- 2012            **Posey Gonzalez Residence:** Interior Design + CA for addition/renovation to a Victorian house in historic Algiers Point. New Orleans, LA
- 2004-2012      **619 Pelican Avenue:** Renovation and camel back addition to an Italianate double shotgun in historic Algiers Point incorporating salvaged materials. New Orleans, LA
- 2002            **Lizio-Katzen Renovation:** Interiors project for new kitchen, bath, and custom doors. New York, NY
- 2002            **The Long House:** Designer. Peconic, NY (not constructed)
- 1995-1996      **Peter Desmarais Residence:** Design build collaboration. Micanopy, FL  
Two-story house constructed of lumber milled from the building site and surrounding locale. Completed design and construction work. The project utilized reclaimed materials.

### PNOLA Build, L3C New Orleans

- 2013            **2504 Cleveland Avenue Renovation:** Project Architect. New Orleans, LA
- 2014            **339 North Tonti Street Renovation:** Project Architect. New Orleans, LA

### Rozas Ward Architects New Orleans

- 2012-2013      **Ochsner Baptist Medical Center Women's Hospital & NICU:** Project Architect. Renovation of multiple floors of an existing hurricane damaged hospital. New Orleans, LA
- 2010            **Ochsner Medical Center Internal Medicine Clinic:** Interiors Lead. Project partnership with EDR. Renovation of existing warehouse into 70,000 sq.ft. clinic space. New Orleans, LA
- 2008-2013      **SLVHCS Replacement Medical Center:** Project Architect/ Sustainability lead for the Transitional Living Building and four relocated/renovated Shotgun Houses. Project partnership with NBBJ + EDR New Orleans, LA

- 2008 **Bywater Art Lofts:** Project Architect. Project partnership with WDB + HRI/HCI. New Orleans, LA
- 2006-2008 **St. Mary's Academy:** Project Architect for FEMA replacement school. New Orleans, LA
- 2005-2006 **Valence Street Condominiums:** Project Architect. New Orleans, LA (not constructed)
- 2004-2005 **2121 Chartres Street Condominiums:** Project Architect. New Orleans, LA (not constructed)

**C. Spencer Smith Architects** New Orleans

- 2004-2005 **Walker Residence Renovation:** Project Architect for design and CA. Full renovation of a Victorian side hall house in the French Quarter Historic District including period interior fittings.

**Allen + Killcoyne Architects** New York

- 1997-2000 **Hoft Farm The Nature Conservancy of Martha's Vineyard:** Project Lead for renovation and addition to an existing farm house. Project included direction of an office wide design charrette for free-standing cabins in the landscape for fire crew volunteers. Martha's Vineyard, MA
- 1999 **May Residence:** Project Lead for renovation, design + CA. Dallas, TX
- 1998 **Grant Residence:** Project Lead for renovation, design + CA. New York, NY
- 1997 **Farber Residence:** Project Lead for renovation, design + CA. New York, NY
- 1996 **14 East 90th Street Tenant Gym:** Project Lead for renovation, design + CA. New York, NY

**COMPETITION ENTRIES**

- 2016 **Architectural Fairytales** BLANKSPACE Competition with artist Sarah Kabot
- 2015 **World War I Memorial** Competition for Washington DC
- 2006 **Global Green Housing Design** Competition for New Orleans, LA
- 2001 **Kunstmuseum St. Gallen** Competition, Peter Lynch entry. Switzerland
- 1996 **Open Space / Public Life: Petrosino Park Redevelopment** Storefront for Art+Architecture, NYC
- 1994 **Holy Island Buddhist Retreat** International competition for Holy Island, Peter Hawley entry. Scotland

**AWARDS + HONORS**

- 2016 **Silver Circle Sculpture Commission** Contemporary Art Center, New Orleans
- 2016 **Malcolm Heard Award** for Excellence in Teaching, Tulane University School of Architecture
- 2014 **LA Contemporary**, Third Place, Ogden Museum of Southern Art
- 2013 **Dean's Fund for Excellence Grant:** Research and Translation - Historic Preservation of Mid-City Homes
- 2006 **Stark Carpet Design Award** with L. Sargent
- 2005 **Metropolis Editor's Picks** 2005 Metropolis Next Generation Design Competition exhibited at International Contemporary Furniture Fair with L. Sargent, NCY & Neocon World's Trade Fair, Chicago, IL
- 2002 **CAA Venture Fund** for Bunche Arboretum with Peter Lynch and the CAA Architecture Department
- 2001 Invited Guest, CAA Ceramics Department, Mono Foundation, Sayulita, Mexico

**REVIEW + DIALOGUE**

- 2016 **AIA South Atlantic Region Design Awards** Juror
- 2016 **"Building With A View"** Panelist at the Contemporary Art Center
- 2015 **First Annual Redfield Prize for Excellence in Craft** TSA Juror
- 2003 **Juror, 9/11 Memorial Competition**, USG/TSA Berman Mouton Studio Juror
- 2002 **Cleveland Institute of Art**, Fiber Department Final Reviews, Guest Critic
- 2001 **SCI-Arc @ Detroit** Zago Studio Final Reviews, Guest Critic
- 1996 **TSA**, Fornabi Studio, Guest Critic

## SERVICE

- 2017 **CAC Sweet Arts** donation of original art work for the Contemporary Art Center's annual fund raiser
- 2016 **arcblocs** mentor for initiative to up-cycle TSA wood waste into free wood blocks for children in need  
**Faculty Advisor:** AIAS  
**O What a Night** donation of original art work for the Ogden Museum of Southern Art's annual fund raiser
- 2015 **arcblocs** mentor for initiative to up-cycle TSA wood waste into free wood blocks for children in need  
**Mentor** to TSA Travel Fellowship recipient  
**Faculty Advisor:** AIAS, Alpha Ro Chi  
**Working Group** member TSA Richardson Memorial Hall Renovation
- 2014 **arcblocs** founder of initiative to up-cycle TSA wood waste into free wood blocks for children in need  
**Mentor** to TSA Travel Fellowship recipient  
**Working Group** member TSA Richardson Memorial Hall Renovation  
**O What a Night** donation of original art work for the Ogden Museum of Southern Art's annual fund raiser
- 2007-2008 **St. Mary's Clothing Drive** facilitator
- 2000-2002 **The Bunche Arboretum** with the CAA Architecture Department, Initiated a teaching garden at Bunche Elementary School and worked with the Heidelberg Foundation in Detroit's historic Black Bottom.

## PUBLIC ART

- 2013-2014 **Terrella** permanent facade installation with Sarah Kabot, The Westin Downtown Cleveland, OH
- 2008 **American Beauty South** mural project along Airline Highway 61 New Orleans, LA  
**DesCours** AIA with the Mutable Line Collaborative New Orleans, LA

## SOLO + DUO EXHIBITIONS

- 2016 **Precision: Marianne Desmarais and Richard Johnson** Cole Pratt Gallery New Orleans, LA
- 2015 **Transpositions** Staple Goods Gallery, Solo Show New Orleans, LA
- 2014 **Marianne Desmarais: Tiling Studies** Tulane School of Architecture New Orleans, LA
- 2001 **Bridge** with Liz Sargent at the Cranbrook Forum Gallery Bloomfield Hills, MI

## GROUP EXHIBITIONS

- 2017 **Birds Of A Feather** The Miniart Center, Group Show New Orleans, LA
- 2016 **"A Building With A View": Experiments in Anarchitecture** Contemporary Arts Center  
Group Show New Orleans, LA
- 2015 **Megalomania III** Boyd Satellite Gallery, Group Show New Orleans, LA
- 2014 **LA Contemporary** 3rd Place Winner, Ogden Museum of Southern Art, Group Show New Orleans, LA  
**Reparation Contemporary Artists from New Orleans** New Orleans Museum of Art, Group Show  
**Sputnik II** Boyd Satellite Gallery, Group Show New Orleans, LA  
**Megalomania II** Boyd Satellite Gallery, Group Show New Orleans, LA
- 2013 **LA Contemporary** Ogden Museum of Southern Art, Group Show New Orleans, LA  
**Shape of Place** Staple Goods Gallery, Group Show New Orleans, LA  
**My Mom Says My Work is Still Improving** Antenna Gallery, Group Show New Orleans, LA  
**Space and Time** with Michelle Gay and Liz Sargent, Art Gallery of Peterborough Peterborough, ON  
**Life & Limn: Drawn to NOLA** Homespace Gallery New Orleans, LA

- 2009      **A Poem about Water & Dreaming** Roadside Attractions Toronto, ON
- 2008      **Abstracted Landscapes** with Liz Sargent, The Society of Arts and Crafts, Group Show Boston, MA
- 2007      **Together at Last** with Liz Sargent, Red Gallery, SCAD Group Show Savannah, GA  
**TRACE** Kirkland Art Center Gallery, Group Show Seattle, WA
- 2006      **Back to the Floor, A Juried Exhibition of Rugs** with Liz Sargent, Elaine L. Stevens Gallery at Wayne State University, Detroit, MI /Juried by Rebecca Stevens, Consulting Curator Contemporary Textiles, The Textile Museum in Washington, D.C.
- 2005      **Living Light on the Land: Prototypes for Sustainable Architecture & Design** with Liz Sargent, Network Gallery at Cranbrook Art Museum, Group Show Bloomfield Hills, MI
- 2004      **By A Thread: a contemplation of design** with Liz Sargent, Aronson's, Group Show New York, NY
- 2002      **Makers' Marks** Tangent Gallery, Group Show Detroit, MI  
**Cranbrook Academy of Art Degree Show** Cranbrook Art Museum, Group Show Bloomfield Hills, MI  
**An Inch of Art** J.M. Kohler Arts Center, Special Exhibition, Group Show Sheboygan, WI
- 2001      **Birmingham Project** with Tyree Guyton and the New Museum of Contemporary Art Birmingham, MI

## GALLERY REPRESENTATION

- 2016-present      **Cole Pratt Gallery** New Orleans, LA

## ARTIST RESIDENCY

- 2004      **The Banff Centre New Works Residency** with Liz Sargent Banff, Alberta Canada

## COLLECTIONS

**Luciano Benetton Collection** / imago mundi hosted by Fondazione Benetton / Italy  
**Savannah College of Art & Design** / North Kowloon Magistracy Building / Hong Kong

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- 2014      Reparation Contemporary Artists from New Orleans  
**imago mundi**, pg 130-131
- 2007      *"upfront review: Marianne Desmarais"* by Matthew Kangas  
**Ceramics Monthly** November edition
- 2006      *"Design File: Floor Polish"* by Elizabeth Pagliacolo  
**Azure** March/April edition
- 2005      *"Once Wearable, Now Art"* by Liz Good  
**FiberArts** Jan/Feb edition  
*"Homes that Heal, Architecture and Design embrace Wind, Water and Waste"*  
**Metrotimes**, Glen Mannisto
- 2002      *"Art Gardening: Heidelberg's lone ranger works with Cranbrook's architects and school kids for change"*  
**Metrotimes**, George Tish
- 2002      *"New artists take a fresh look at materials"*  
**Oakland Press**, Bob Gross