

EDUCATION

University of California, Berkeley, Berkeley, CA - PhD, Architecture (History of Architecture & Urbanism), 2020
Boston University, Boston, MA - MA, Preservation Studies, 2002
Smith College, Northampton, MA - BA, Art History, *cum laude*, 1997

PROFESSIONAL APPOINTMENTS

Assistant Professor of Historic Preservation, Roger Williams University, Bristol, RI 2017-present
Graduate courses: Fundamentals of Preservation Practices, Preservation Law & Regulation, Historic Environment Research Methods, Graduate Thesis
Undergraduate and Graduate courses (cross-listed): History & Philosophy of Historic Preservation, American Cultural Landscapes, Building Documentation and Research Methods, Preservation Economics
Undergraduate courses: Introduction to Preservation Studies

PUBLICATIONS

Journal Articles

“No Simple Dwelling: Design, Politics, and the Mid-Twentieth Century Economy House.” *Buildings & Landscapes* 26, No. 2 (Spring 2019), 73-93.

Book Reviews

Review of *Indoor America: The Interior Landscape of Postwar Suburbia*, by Andrea Vesentini, *Buildings & Landscapes* 28, No. 1 (Fall 2021), 136-137.

Review of *Detached America: Building Houses in Postwar America*, by James A. Jacobs, *Journal of the Society of Architectural Historians* 80, No. 2 (June 2021), 228-230.

Review of *Vernacular Architecture and Regional Design: Cultural Process and Environmental Response*, by Kingston Wm. Heath, *Buildings and Landscapes*, 22, No. 2 (Fall 2015):134-135.

Manuscripts in Preparation

Tract House Revolution: Design for Rehousing America

Stiles, Elaine and Greg Castillo, eds. *The North American Model Home: Design History and Didactics*

Curriculum Units

Global Architectural History Teaching Collaborative, Andrew W. Mellon Foundation, “Global Housing in the American Suburb,” 2021.

Other Articles

Feminist Art and Architecture Collaborative. “To Manifest.” *Harvard Design Magazine* 46 (Fall/Winter 2018), 182-189. <http://www.harvarddesignmagazine.org/issues/46/to-manifest>.

“A New Architecture for Man: The Modular, Prefabricated Buildings of Ernest J. Kump, Jr. Selections from the Ernest Kump Collection, Environmental Design Archives, University of California, Berkeley.” *Room 1000* (Winter 2013):167-183.

“50 Years Reconsidered.” *Forum Journal* 24 (Summer 2010):15-22.

<http://forum.savingplaces.org/connect/community-home/librarydocuments/viewdocument?DocumentKey=210a58db-7d65-474a-b9c6-36e02888156a>

Professional Publications

- French, Christine Madrid and Elaine Stiles, eds. *Aspen Modern: America's International Resort*. Washington DC: National Trust for Historic Preservation, 2011. <http://www.aspenmod.com/>
- French, Christine Madrid and Elaine Stiles, eds. *Minnesota Modern*. Washington DC: National Trust for Historic Preservation, 2011. http://www.preservationnation.org/information-center/saving-a-place/modernism-recent-past/additional-resources/MN_Modern_web.pdf
- French, Christine Madrid and Elaine Stiles, eds. *Boston Modern: Spirit of Reinvention*. Washington DC: National Trust for Historic Preservation, 2010. http://www.preservationnation.org/information-center/saving-a-place/modernism-recent-past/additional-resources/BostonModernBooklet_final_reduced.pdf
- French, Christine Madrid and Elaine Stiles, eds. *Los Angeles Modern: City of Tomorrow*. Washington DC: National Trust for Historic Preservation, 2010. http://www.preservationnation.org/information-center/saving-a-place/modernism-recent-past/additional-resources/LA_Modern_web.pdf
- "New Deal Fresno." In *Architecture, Ethnicity and Historic Landscapes of California's San Joaquin Valley*, ed. Karana Hattersley-Drayton and City of Fresno, Planning and Development Department, 136-144. Fresno, CA: City of Fresno, Planning and Development Department, 2008.
- Preservation Massachusetts et al, including Elaine Stiles. *Historic School Building Report*. Boston: Preservation Massachusetts, 2002. <http://www.scribd.com/doc/23803823/Historic-School-Building-Report/>.
- A Guide to Preserving Historic Unitarian Universalist Churches*. Boston: Unitarian Universalist Association, 2000.

AWARDS AND FELLOWSHIPS

- Davis Foundation Engaged General Education Faculty Fellowship, Roger Williams University (2021)
- Diversity and Inclusion Faculty Fellow, Roger Williams University (2018-2019)
- Berkeley Connect PhD Fellow, UCB Department of Architecture (2015-2016)
- Outstanding Graduate Student Instructor Award, Department of Architecture, University of California, Berkeley (2014) – a faculty-nominated award granted to only nine percent of campus GSIs
- Arcus Endowment Summer Award, University of California, Berkeley (2014)
- Spiro Kostof Fellowship in Architectural History, Department of Architecture, University of California, Berkeley (2011-2012)
- Preservation Studies Graduate Fellowship, Boston University (2001-2002)
- Summer Fellow, Historic Deerfield, Deerfield, MA (1996)

GRANTS

Global Architectural History Teaching Collaborative (Massachusetts Institute of Technology) Targeted Acquisition Grant (2019), \$9,900

Vernacular Architecture Forum Ambassador Grant (2017), \$2,500

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

Session Co-organizer with Greg Castillo, "The Didactics of the North American Model Home," Society of Architectural Historians Annual Meeting, Montreal, Quebec, Canada, April 2021.

"Suburban Design Thinking: Home Builders and Housing Design in the Mid-Twentieth Century," Vernacular Architecture Forum, New England Chapter Annual Meeting, March 24, 2018, Sturbridge, MA.

- “No Simple Dwelling: Design Politics and the American Economy House, 1940-1952.” Vernacular Architecture Forum Annual Conference, Salt Lake City, Utah, June 2017.
- “Free-Market Living: Politics, Economic Activism, and Suburban Housing Development in the World War II Era,” American Association of Geographers Annual Meeting, Boston, MA, April 2017.
- “The Neoliberal Tract House: Politics and Suburban Housing Design in the World War II Era.” Presentation: Southeast Chapter of Society of Architectural Historians Annual Conference, New Orleans, LA, October 2016.
- “Social Uplift with the Thought of Profit: Capitalist Responses to the Low-Cost Housing Market 1934-1960.” Presentation: Reconceptualizing Real Estate Development, 16th National Conference on Planning History, Los Angeles, CA, November 2015.
- “What You Need to Know About the Suburbs.” Presentation: Changing Demographics and their Impact on Historic Preservation, PastForward (National Preservation Conference), Savannah, GA, November 2014.
- “Staging the Warehouse of Wonders: Design, Display, and Desire at Costco.” Presentation: Society of Architectural Historians Annual Meeting, Austin, TX, April 2014.
- “What Happens When Dates Don’t Matter?” Session organizer and panelist, National Preservation Conference. Austin TX, October 2010.
- “Challenging Recent Past Preservation Policy.” Session organizer, National Preservation Conference, Tulsa, OK, October 2008.
- “Effective Education and Outreach Strategies in Recent Past Preservation.” Session organizer, National Preservation Conference, Tulsa, OK, October 2008.
- “Preserving Sites of 20th-Century Social History.” Session organizer, National Preservation Conference, Tulsa, OK, October 2008.
- “Public Stewardship of the Recent Past.” Session organizer, National Preservation Conference, Tulsa, OK, October 2008.
- Stiles, Elaine and Douglas Kelleher. “Looking Beyond the Windshield: The Importance of Local Consultation in Cultural Resource Survey.” Presentation: Fourth Annual Community Impact Assessment Workshop, Federal Highway Administration Transportation Research Board, Portland ME, August 2004.

INVITED TALKS

- “Beholding Brutalism: A Cultural Landscape Perspective,” Sense of Place: Landscape Design and its Vital Role in Framing Brutalist Architecture, Brutalism + the Public University: Past, Present and Future, University of Massachusetts, Dartmouth, October 2021.
- “Fieldwork Futures: Preservation,” Presidential Plenary Panel, Vernacular Architecture Forum Annual Meeting (virtual), May 2021.
- “Modeling Modernity: Builders, Consumers, and the NAHB Trade Secrets House,” SAAHP Faculty Spotlight Talk, April 2021.
- “Reconstructing Experience, Reconstructing Place: The Symbolic Power of Archival Places,” Plenary address, New England Archivists Annual Meeting (virtual), March 2021.
- “Who Decides What’s Worth Saving?” Panel moderator at 2020 Providence Symposium, Who’s Places Matter and Why?, Providence, Rhode Island (virtual), November 2020
- “Preservation Education Today.” Guest presentation, “Critical Perspectives on Heritage,” Brown University, Providence, Rhode Island, October 2020.

“The Walls of the City Speak!: Seeing and Listening to Cultural Landscapes.” Presentation at 2019 Providence Symposium, Preservation and Place: The Cultural Landscape of Providence, Providence, Rhode Island, November 2019.

“The Power of People and Their Spaces: Culture, History, and Urban Resiliency.” Panel moderator at 2019 Providence Symposium, Preservation and Place: The Cultural Landscape of Providence, Providence, Rhode Island, November 2019.

“Historic Preservation: Memory and Material.” Guest presentation, “Fort Adams: Site Installation”, Rhode Island School of Design, Providence, Rhode Island, September 2018.

ACADEMIC SERVICE

- Coordinator, Preservation Studies and Preservation Practices Programs, School of Architecture, Art & Historic Preservation, Roger Williams University (2021-present)
- At-Large Member, Executive Committee, National Council for Preservation Education (2021-present)
- Faculty Search Committee, Architecture (two positions), Roger Williams University (2021)
- Faculty Senator, School of Architecture, Art & Historic Preservation, Roger Williams University (2020-2022); member Senate Diversity Committee (2020-present)
- SOAR (Strive, Overcome, Achieve, Rise) Faculty Mentor, Roger Williams University (2019-2020)
- Assistant Dean Search Committee, School of Architecture, Art & Historic Preservation, Roger Williams University (2019)
- Peer Reviewer, *Footprint* (2019)
- Faculty Search Committee, Historic Preservation, Roger Williams University (2018)
- Editorial Board, Vernacular Architecture Forum Special Series (2015-present)
- Graduate Student Representative to the PhD Committee (elected), Department of Architecture, University of California, Berkeley (2013-2014)

COMMUNITY SERVICE

- Board of Directors, Preservation Connecticut (formerly Connecticut Trust for Historic Preservation) (2017-present); Chair, Legislative Affairs Committee (2017), Chair, Engagement Committee (2018, 2020-present)
- Board of Directors, Old Lyme Historical Society, Old Lyme, CT (2018-present); Chair, Oral History Committee (2019-present)
- Board of Directors, New England Chapter, Vernacular Architecture Forum (2017-present)
- Board of Directors, Vernacular Architecture Forum (2014-2017)

PROFESSIONAL AND TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Independent Architectural History and Historic Preservation Consultant 2012-2017
Conducted historic resource surveys, authored historic context statements, and prepared nomination forms for local, state, and national designation of historic properties. (See Professional Projects.)

Graduate Instructor, University of California, Berkeley 2011-2014

Taught required discussion sections and graded course papers and exams for the following courses:

- *American Cultural Landscapes, 1600-1900*, Professor Paul Groth, Departments of Architecture and Geography (Fall 2011).
- *American Cultural Landscapes, 1900-present*, Professor Paul Groth (Spring 2012)
- *Historical Survey of Architecture and Urbanism: Baroque-present*, Professor Margaret Crawford, Department of Architecture (Spring 2013 and Spring 2014, Head GSI in 2014)

- *The San Francisco Bay Area: Landscape, Culture, and Politics, 1930-1941*; Professor Kathleen Moran, American Studies Program and Dr. Gray Brechin, Project Scientist, Department of Geography (Fall 2014)

National Trust for Historic Preservation, Western Office, San Francisco, CA 2007-2011
Program Officer

Provided advocacy, education, and technical assistance to advance historic preservation objectives across eight Western states and the U.S. territories in the Pacific. Assignments included staffing the national Trust Modern program focused on preserving Modern architecture and historic resources from the past 50 years (2009-2011). Major projects included fighting construction of a major factory farm near the Minidoka Internment National Historic Site in Idaho.

Page & Turnbull, Inc., San Francisco, CA 2006-2007
Architectural Historian

Conducted historic resource surveys and evaluations of architectural and historical significance for planning and environmental compliance purposes as part of the cultural resources studio. Led internal team completing the Market & Octavia Neighborhood Plan Historic Resource Survey, a survey of approximately 1,500 resources in downtown San Francisco for the San Francisco Planning Department and the first city survey conducted using geographic information system technology.

Vanasse Hangen Brustlin, Inc., Watertown, MA 2003-2006
Preservation Planner/Architectural Historian

Provided architectural historian, cultural resource compliance, and preservation planning services for public and private sector transportation, land development, and municipal clients throughout New England at this East Coast civil engineering and integrated services firm. Historian and compliance services include cultural resource survey and documentation, Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act review processes, National Environmental Policy Act analyses, Section 4(f) of the Department of Transportation analyses, and state and local environmental review processes. Planning services include community and property-specific preservation plans, interpretive planning, and community education and outreach.

Preservation Company, Kensington, NH 2001-2003
Senior Architectural Historian

Provided professional architectural historian services for federal, state, and local cultural resource compliance efforts and historic preservation projects. Services included small and large-scale cultural resource surveys, preparation of National Register of Historic Places nominations, Federal historic preservation tax credit program applications, historic structure reports, and Historic American Building Survey archival recordation.

SELECTED PROFESSIONAL PROJECTS

Cultural Resource Survey and Property Documentations

Limited Scope Commercial, Civic, and Institutional Historic Resource Survey for Riverside Square, East Providence, RI. 2021 (in progress). Cultural resource survey project with preservation students in PRES 341/541 Historic Building and Site Documentation and Research Methods at Roger Williams University to inform rehabilitation and revitalization efforts in the Riverside Square multi-use zoning area.

Vanasse Hangen Brustlin, Inc. *Lenox-Camden Public Housing Complex Massachusetts Historical Commission Form B/Determination of Eligibility for the National Register of Historic Places.* 2017. Determination of eligibility documentation for the Lenox-Camden Boston Public Housing Authority complexes in the South End neighborhood of Boston. The 285-unit Lenox project (1939) was the first public housing complex

constructed exclusively for African-Americans in the City of Boston. The Camden project (1947) was a 72-unit veterans' housing project also constructed exclusively for African-Americans.

Eureka Valley (Castro) Historic Context Statement. 2017. Historic context statement for the Eureka Valley – now Castro – neighborhood of San Francisco, a center of LGBTQ history and early (pre-earthquake) domestic architecture. Sponsored by the Eureka Valley Neighborhood Association and the San Francisco Historic Preservation Fund Committee.

National Register of Historic Places Nomination for the Sacred Heart Parish Complex, San Francisco, CA. 2016 (listed 2017). National Register nomination for nineteenth-century Catholic parish complex in the heart of San Francisco's Western Addition. The complex was the site of important religious social justice work under the leadership of Father Eugene Boyle in the late 1960s and early 1970s, playing host to the Black Panther's Breakfast Program, anti-Vietnam war activities, and labor activism. Funded by the San Francisco Historic Preservation Fund Committee.

City of San Francisco Landmark Designation Report: Sacred Heart Parish Complex, San Francisco CA. 2016. Local landmark designation nomination for nineteenth-century Catholic parish complex funded by the San Francisco Historic Preservation Fund Committee.

Architectural Resources Group and Katherine Petrin Preservation Consulting. *City of Pleasanton Historic Resource Survey, Pleasanton, CA*, City of Pleasanton, CA, 2015. Consulting architectural historian for historic resource survey of historic railroad and agricultural center.

Graves, Donna and Shayne Watson, Project Directors. *Draft Integrity Standards for the San Francisco LGBTQ Historic Context Statement*. 2014. Funded through an Arcus Endowment Summer Award, drafted a more inclusive set of integrity standards for properties associated with LGBTQ heritage that accommodated patterns of continual change in the urban landscape and the history of marginalized groups.

Architectural Resources Group. *Pleasanton Historic Context Statement, Pleasanton, CA*. City of Pleasanton. CA. 2012. Consulting architectural historian and primary author for context statement for historic railroad and agricultural center with significant historic and contemporary suburban development and expansion.

Page & Turnbull. *Market and Octavia Neighborhood Plan Cultural Resource Survey, San Francisco, CA*. City of San Francisco Planning Department. 2007. Project manager and architectural historian for survey of approximately 1,500 resources in downtown San Francisco and the first city survey using GIS technology.

Vanasse Hangen Brustlin, Inc. *Auburn Downtown Turnpike Connector/Interchange Feasibility Study, Auburn, ME*. Maine Department of Transportation. Architectural historian. 2006. Due diligence survey of historic industrial communities to assess new bridge crossing of the Androscoggin River.

Vanasse Hangen Brustlin, Inc. *Salem Point Neighborhood Cultural Resource Survey and Preservation Guidelines*, City of Salem, MA. Elaine Stiles, architectural historian. 2006.

Vanasse Hangen Brustlin, Inc. *West Swanzey Village Historic District Study, Swanzey, NH*. NH Department of Environmental Services. Architectural historian. 2004. Survey to assess impacts of removal of nineteenth-century timber crib dam in historic textile mill village.

Vanasse Hangen Brustlin, Inc. *Odiorne Point Cultural Resource Survey, Rye, NH*, University of New Hampshire. Architectural historian. 2004.

Vanasse Hangen Brustlin, Inc. *Cultural Resource Survey, Aroostook County Transportation Study Final Environmental Impact Statement*. Maine Department of Transportation. Architectural historian. 2003-2006. Cultural resource survey of 100-mile study area to assess impacts of proposed new segment of interstate highway.

- Vanasse Hangen Brustlin, Inc. *Architectural Historian On-Call Services*. Maine Department of Transportation. Architectural historian. 2003-2006. Survey and evaluations of historic resources for more than 200 highway improvement study areas in 11 counties.
- Preservation Company. *NH Route 16 Improvement Project, Albany and Madison, NH*. NH Department of Transportation. Architectural historian. 2002. Survey of improvements to major state highway through two White Mountain communities.
- Preservation Company. *Route 110 Improvement Project, Berlin, NH*. NH Department of Transportation. Architectural historian. 2002. Architectural historian services for improvements to state highway through northern NH timber and paper mill community, including historic district study for neighborhood of mill housing.
- Preservation Company. *I-93 Improvement Project, Salem, Windham, Derry, Londonderry, and Manchester, NH*. NH Department of Transportation. 2001. Architectural historian for survey of improvements to interstate highway through five southern NH communities.
- Boston University Preservation Studies Program. *Haverhill Historical Society Property Survey*, Haverhill, MA; Haverhill Historical Society. Elaine Stiles, Graduate Fellow. 2002.
- Boston University Preservation Studies Program. *Southwick-Daniels Farm Historic Property Survey*, Blackstone, MA; Massachusetts Historical Commission. Elaine Stiles, architectural historian. 2002.

Environmental Compliance Projects

- Vanasse Hangen Brustlin, Inc. *Blackstone River Bikeway Massachusetts Environmental Policy Act Filings*, Massachusetts Highway Department. Architectural historian. 2005.
- Vanasse Hangen Brustlin, Inc. *Oakwoods Renovation and Addition Project Massachusetts Historical Commission Review*. Wellesley College, Wellesley, MA. Architectural historian. 2004. Architectural historian services for rehabilitation of 1902 Presidents' residence.
- Vanasse Hangen Brustlin, Inc. *Amherst College Dormitory Rehabilitation and Renovation Project Massachusetts Historical Commission Review*. Amherst College, Amherst, MA. Architectural historian. 2004. Architectural historian services for rehabilitation of historic dormitories, including 1821 South College and 1823 North College.
- Vanasse Hangen Brustlin, Inc. *Fruit Street Master Plan Massachusetts Environmental Policy Act and Massachusetts Historical Commission Filings*, Town of Hopkinton, MA. Architectural historian. 2004.

Preservation Planning Projects

- Adaptive Reuse Feasibility Study for the Rochambeau Avenue Fire Station, 270 Rochambeau Avenue, Providence, RI*. Providence Redevelopment Authority. 2018. Prepared with students in Preservation Economics at Roger Williams University to inform reuse potential for a historic, decommissioned fire house.
- Vanasse Hangen Brustlin, Inc. *Blackstone Canal Preservation Study (Massachusetts)*. John H. Chafee Blackstone River Valley National Heritage Corridor Commission, Woonsocket, RI. Architectural historian and preservation planner. 2005. Preservation planner for study to re-water and rehabilitate key segments of the 1828 canal between Worcester, MA and Providence, RI.
- Vanasse Hangen Brustlin, Inc. *Master Plan Due Diligence (Cultural Resources)*, Regis College, Weston, MA. Architectural historian and preservation planner. 2004.
- Vanasse Hangen Brustlin, Inc. *Amesbury Master Plan, Historic Resources Component*. Town of Amesbury, MA. Preservation planner. 2003.

Vanasse Hangen Brustlin, Inc. *Deshler-Morris and Bringham Houses Utilities and Exhibit Rehabilitation Environmental Assessment*. Independence National Historical Park, Philadelphia, PA. Contributing architectural historian. 2003.

Vanasse Hangen Brustlin, Inc. *Historic Jamestowne Interpretive Features Environmental Assessment*. Colonial National Historic Park, National Park Service, Jamestown, VA. Contributing architectural historian. 2003.

Boston University Preservation Studies Program. *City of Newton Preservation Plan*. City of Newton, MA. Contributor. 2002.

Boston University Preservation Studies Program. *Local Historic District Study Report, Newtonville Local Historic District*. Newton, MA. Contributor. 2002.

Boston University Preservation Studies Program. *Rehabilitation Guidelines for the Newtonville Local Historic District*. Newton, MA. Contributor. 2002.

Boston University Preservation Studies Program. *Creek Farm Initial Preservation Plan*. Portsmouth, NH. Contributor. 2001. Plan for protecting 1888 house from demolition for creation of nature preserve.

Historic Structure Reports

Limited Scope Historic Structure Report for Wind Hill, Bristol, RI. 2021. Intensive documentation and conditions assessment for 1891 Tudor Revival summer home in the Ferry Hill Summer Colony with students in in PRES 341/541 Historic Building and Site Documentation and Research Methods at Roger Williams University to inform rehabilitation and adaptive reuse planning by the university.

Preservation Company. *Raynes Barn Historic Structure Report*, Exeter, NH. Contributing architectural historian. 2002.

Preservation Company. *Troy Depot, Historic Structure Report*, Troy, NH. Contributing architectural historian. 2002.

Preservation Company. *Keefe House Historic Structure Report*, Dover, NH. Contributing architectural historian. 2002.

Historic American Building Survey and Archival Documentations

Townsend Greene House, 74 Bridge Street, Newport, RI. Newport Restoration Foundation. 2020. Completed with students in PRES 341/541 Historic Building Documentation and Research Methods at Roger Williams University to inform Newport Restoration Foundation planning for future use.

William Vernon House, 46 Clarke Street, Newport, RI. Newport Restoration Foundation. 2020. Updated HABS documentation to include additional twentieth century history of the building and additional information about the Vernon family's involvement in the transatlantic slave trade with students in PRES 341/541 Historic Building Documentation and Research Methods at Roger Williams University.

Vanasse Hangen Brustlin, Inc. *Savin Hill MBTA Station Archival Documentation*, Massachusetts Bay Transit Authority, Dorchester, MA. Architectural historian. 2003.

Preservation Company. *B.L. Makepeace Cabin Archival Documentation*, Madison, NH. Architectural historian. 2002.

Preservation Company. *Brown Farm Archival Documentation*, Troy, NH. Architectural historian. 2002.

Preservation Company. *Shedd Bungalow Archival Documentation*, Conway, NH. Contributing architectural historian. 2002.

Historic Preservation Tax Credit Application Projects

Preservation Company. *Emily Cross House Rehabilitation Project*, Rochester, NH. Architectural historian, 2002.

Preservation Company. *Cottage Hospital Rehabilitation and Addition Project*, Portsmouth, NH. Architectural historian, 2002.