# City of Seattle Boards & Commissions Notice of Appointment

Appointee Name: Matthew Bissen						
Board/Commission Name:	Board/Commission Name: Position Title:					
Downtown Design Review Board				Local Residential Representative		
		Council Confirmation required?				
Appointment <i>OR</i> Reappoint	ment	Yes				
Appointing Authority:	Date	Appointed:	Term	of Position: *		
Council 4/8/		2021	4/4/2	.021		
Mayor		to				
Other: Joint Mayor & Council			4/3/2	2023		
		🗆 Sei	rving remaining term of a vacant position			
Residential Neighborhood:	ode:	Conta	act Phone No.:			
Downtown	1					
Background:						
Mr. Bissen is a Registered Architect and Senior Project Designer at Integrus Architecture where he is the						
Lead Designer on civic and educational projects. Previously, he worked as an Architect and Director of						
Design and Research at McGranahan Architects in Tacoma and as the Lead Project Architect at Ennead						
Architects in New York City.						

Mr. Bissen's education includes a Bachelor of Arts degree in architectural studies from the University of Washington, a Master of Architecture degree from Parsons in New York, and a Master of Philosophy degree in geography from City University of New York. He has additionally completed a Sustainable Design Advisor certificate and a Construction Management certificate. Mr. Bissen has served as academic faculty at multiple institutions, including the University of Washington, Parsons, and Hunter College, teaching design, planning, and studio courses.

Authorizing Signature (original signature):	Appointing Signatory:
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Jenny A. Ducken	Mayor of Seattle
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\*Term begin and end date is fixed and tied to the position and not appointment date.

# Matthew Bissen, AIA



Registered Architect Washington State New York State

## **EDUCATION**

City University of New York New York City, 2013	<b>Geography</b> – Master of Philosophy The Graduate Center - Earth and Environmental Sciences Research: How communities appropriate space and the environment to generate urban transformation and social empowerment.
Parsons The New School for Design New York City, 2009	Architecture – Master of Architecture Honor Award: Outstanding Academic Performance
	Thesis: How education institutions and urban spatial configurations can support links between disparate cultures toward mutual support.
Seattle Central Community College Seattle, 2003	Sustainable Design Advisor – Certificate
University of Washington Seattle, 1999	<b>Construction Management</b> – Certificate
University of Washington Seattle, 1996	Architectural Studies – Bachelor of Arts

## PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Integrus Architecture Seattle, 2020 - current	Architect, Senior Project Designer Lead Project Design and Project Teams. Support and mentor teams across the design studio & develop strategic firm design and research initiatives. Lead Designer: Civic and Education projects.
McGranahan Architects Tacoma, 2014 - 2020	Architect, Director of Design & Research Lead Project Design and Project Teams. Support and mentor team across the design studio & develop strategic firm design and research initiatives. Focus is placed on design excellence and rigor in design & representation methods. Lead Designer: Timberline MS - Redmond, Stanwood HS & Stanwood Alternative Learning Center - Stanwood, West Woodland ES - Seattle.
Ennead Architects (formerly Polshek Partnership) New York City, 2007 - 2011	<b>Architect</b> Lead Project Architect: Cincinnati Music Hall Revitalization. Team Leader: Weill Cornell Medical College Belfer Research Building - Lab Floor Design. Construction Administration Support: Westchester Community College Gateway Center.
McGranahan Architects Tacoma, 2004 - 2006	<b>Architect</b> Lead Designer: Pierce College - Ft. Stellicoom Library & Theater, Coupeville High School. Project Architect: Bates Technical College - South Campus Academic Building. Responsibility included: design, systems development, project coordination, and detailing.
Heery International Seattle, 2002 - 2004	<b>Job Captain</b> Lead Designer-Job Captain: Griffin K-8 School Modernization and Addition. Responsibilities included: design, client relations, project coordination, and construction administration.

## PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE (con't)

Johnston Architects Seattle, 2000 - 2002	<b>Job Captain</b> Design-Project Development Experience: Libraries and institutional projects including: Capitol Hill Library and the S'Klallam Tribe Long House/Cultural Center. Responsibilities included: design, specification writing, and project coordination.
Taylor Construction Seattle, 1998 - 2000	<b>Field Engineer</b> Site experience on Qwest telecommunications facility additions and construction of an 107 unit mixed-use housing project. Responsibilities included RFI issuance and review, shop drawing review, construction detailing, and subcontractor coordination.
Driscoll Architects Seattle, 1996 - 1998	<b>Intern</b> Project development experience including design development, drafting, permit submittal coordination, and construction document development.

## **ACADEMIC EXPERIENCE**

University of Washington Seattle, Fall 2016 - current Winter 2021	Part Time Faculty Design Drawing III - undergraduate (w/ Kailin Gregga) Collaboration Design Studio - undergraduate (w/ AnnMarie Borys) Re-Building Community: Central Area Inter generation Center
Spring 2018 & Winter 2019 Winter 2019	Architecture & Landscape Theory Seminar - graduate Interdisciplinary Design Studio - graduate (w/ Gundula Proksch & Jeff Hou) The Right to the City - Social Justice along the Jackson Street Corridor
Parsons The New School for Design	Adjunct Faculty
New York City, Spring 2013 - 2014	Design & Nature - Seminar
Fall 2012 - 2013	History of World Architecture I: Prehistory through the Renaissance - Lecture
Spring 2010 - 2013 & Fall 2013	Space, Design & The Everyday - Seminar
Fall 2010 & 2012 & Spring 2014	On Walking: Design & Perception in the Urban Landscape - Seminar
Hunter College - CUNY	Adjunct Faculty
New York City, Spring 2014	Urban Planning/Design - Masters Studio (w/ Richard Bass) Western Queens Technology Zone Plan
Fall 2012	Urban Studies - Undergraduate Studio The Bronx River "A Watershed Moment"
Spring 2012	Urban Planning/Design - Masters Studio (w/ Richard Bass) NYC - Comprehensive Housing Plan - "Where Will We Live?"
Fall 2011	Urban Planning/Design - Masters Studio (w/ Pablo Vengoechea) Memorial District Plan - Nieuw Harlem African Burial Ground
Fall & Spring 2011 - 2013	Introduction to Urban Studies: City Life - Undergraduate Lecture
Parsons The New School for Design	Teaching Assistant
New York City, 2009	Space, Design & Everyday Practice (Jilly Traganou)
2008	Summer Studies in Architecture (Eva Perez de Vega)
	Modern & Post Modern Architecture (Joanna Merwood-Salisbury)
	Nature In Environment (Dillip de Cunha)
2007	Issues and Practices in Architecture (Jean Gardner)
The New School	Research Assistant
New York City, June 2009	Research in support of principle investigators Brian McGrath & Adriana Abdenur

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## SERVICE

University of Washington Seattle, 2020 2015-19 2015-17 2014-15	Review Critic Graduate Research & Design Studio (Gundula Proksch) Community Design Studio (AnnMarie Borys) Masters Thesis Sudio (Rick Mohler, et. al.) Masters Thesis Prep Seminar (Sharon Sutton) Architecture Studio Critic (Sharon Sutton, et. al.)
Inglemoor HS Kenmore, Fall 2015	Review Critic Senior Design & Technology Program (Mike Wierusz)
University of Washington Seattle, Fall 2014	Integrated Studio Critic Architecture Masters Thesis Studio semester long integrated design review critic and thesis development support (Gundula Proksch, et. al.)
The New School New York , Fall 2011 - 2013	Faculty - New Student Orientation Faculty member - "Experience + Meaning" orientation course for incoming undergraduates. The course is intended to introduce students to New York City and the intellectual community at The New School.
The Graduate Center - CUNY New York , 2012 - 13	Elections Committee Student Representative on the Earth and Environmental Science Department Student Election Committee
Occupy University New York , 2011 - 2014	Organiser & Faculty Collaborated to develop Horizontal Pedagogy approaches to learning. Developed and facilitated a serious of public walks in New York City.
The Free University - NYC New York , 2012 - 2014	Organiser & Faculty Developed space based open learning environments in public spaces. Utilizes a re-engagement of the commons to rethink the relationship between the public and education toward a liberation learning model.
Journal of Design History 2011 - 2020	Article Manuscript Peer Reviewer
Pratt Institute New York City, 2012	<b>Review Critic</b> Architecture Studio Critic (Carlos Arnaiz)
Columbia University New York City, 2012 - 2013	<b>Review Critic</b> Urban Design Studio Critic (Sandro Marpillero, et. al.)
Parsons The New School for Design New York City, 2012 -13 2011 2010 - 2012 2010 2009 2008 2006	Review Critic Architecture Summer Studio Critic (Eva Perez De Vega) Materiality and Intentions (Ed May) Programming, Concept and Representation (Eva Perez De Vega) Nature, Culture and Design (Jean Gardner) Urban Visualization and Mapping (Liz Barry) Drawing Interiors I : 3D (Jon Schram) NYC: Greatest Suburb on Earth? (Adriana Young) Urban Design Studio Critic (Brian McGrath) Architecture Summer Studio Critic (Gundula Proksch) Architecture Summer Studio Critic (Eva Perez De Vega) Architecture Studio Critic (Gundula Proksch) Construction Technology Seminar (Jim Garrison)
University of Washington Seattle, 2001 - 2003	Review Critic Architecture Studio Critic (Frank Ching)
University Heights Center for the Community Seattle, 1996 - 1999	Board President Development of historic building renovation and fund-raising plan.
University of Washington Seattle, 1994 - 1996	Curriculum Committee Undergraduate Student Representative

#### PUBLICATION

#### Co-Author

"Out of the Ruins: The Emergence of New Radical Learning Spaces" (eds. R. Haworth & J. Elmore) Book Chapter: "What is Horizontal Pedagogy?"

#### NANO

London, 2017

Out of the Ruins

New American Notes Online New York City, 2014

Environment and Planning D Society and Space Toronto, 2012

#### **Guest Editor & Author**

Editor: Special Edition on Narratives & Cartography in NANO in conjunction with a sister edition in The Cartography Journal. With eds. Laurene Vaughan, Sebastien Caquard, and Bill Cartwright Article: "Walking the Everyday"

#### **Co-Author**

Article: "Contours of a Spatialized Influence: A Tribute to Neil Smith"

#### Searching for True New York City, 2009

#### Design

"Searching for True: Cutler Anderson Architects" (author Beth Wheeler) Cited for role as job captain on the Capitol Hill Library, Seattle - Design Team.

Statics and Strengths New York City, 1999

## Photography

"Statics and Strengths of Materials and Building Construction," (author Barry Onouye) Various illustrative photographs of building technologies.

#### **PRESENTATION - LECTURE**

Cube Edutours Karachi, 2020	<b>Discussion - Interview</b> "A Walking Practice" Guest in Cube Edutours/Community Engagement & Design Sessions (Zain Mustafa)
University of Washington Seattle, 2018	<b>Lecture</b> "Critical Architecture & Landscape Theory" Guest Lecture in Architecture Theory (Brian McLaren)
University of Washington - Tacoma Tacoma, 2016 & 2017	<b>Lecture</b> "Walking as a critical perspective on the urban environment" Guest Lecture in Psychology of Urban Living (Lindsay McCunn)
ETH - Zurich Swiss Federal Institute of Technology Zurich, 2012	<b>Lecture - Workshop</b> "A Personal Geography - New York City" Paper Presented and Workshop Participant: The Cartographies & Narrative Workshop by the Art & Cartography Commission of the International Cartographic Association
Assoc. of American Geographers Los Angeles, 2013 New York City, 2012	<b>Lecture</b> "The Bronx River – A Social Watershed" - Paper Presented at Annual Meeting "The Production of Nature Along 'The Great White Way" - Paper Presented at Annual Mtg.
Hunter College New York City, 2013	<b>Panel Discussion</b> "Graduate School Preparation" Invited Panel Member
New York University New York City, 2012	<b>Panel Discussion</b> "Cultures & Economies:Why Occupy Wall Street?" Invited Panel Member
Parsons The New School for Design New York City, 2013 2011 2009 2008	Lecture "On Walking: Spatially Situated Research Methods" Guest Lecture in Methods Research Seminar (Jilly Traganou) "To Situate: São Paulo & Curitiba" Speaker at Michael Kalil Memorial Endowment 10th Anniversary Pecha Kucha. "Bronx Terminal Market: Re-imaging Urban Food Production & Community Development Guest Lecture in Issues and Practices in Architecture Seminar (Jean Gardner) "Finding the Non-Map: Ironbound Community Mapping - Newark" Guest Lecture in Cities and the Environment Seminar (Adriana Abdenur) "Engaging a Position of Innovation Toward Our Environment" Speaker at Focus the Nation Teach-in.

## **EXHIBITIONS**

Wing Luke Museum at InScape Arts	Voices of the Immigration Station Installation			
Seattle, 2015	Installation Photography in collaboration with Buoyant Design			
International Cartography Conf.	Narrating Place: A Collaborative Exploration of Narrating Cartography			
Dresden, 2013	Film Screening.			
Convergence Exhibition	Narrating Place: A Collaborative Exploration of Narrating Cartography			
RMIT	Co-developer and contributor in an international collaborative film shorts exploring place			
Melbourne, 2013	through narrative.			
The Sheila C. Johnson Design Ctr.	Welcome to the NYC Waterfront: a Peripheral Space?			
Parsons The New School	Contributor to this collaborative work and participant in gallery panel discussion			
New York, 2012	in conjunction with the Art, Environment and Action! Exhibit			
The James Gallery	Common Assembly - De-colonizing Architecture & Art Residency			
The Graduate Center - CUNY	Facilitated open public dialog on Horizontal Pedagogy			
New York, 2012	in conjunction with Common Assembly and Occupy University			

## COMPETITIONS

DUMBO Improvement District Iron Designer Competition New York, 2009	Parsons Team: Participant Design proposal for a "Dumbo Dining Table" activating the east bridge anchorage as community nexus point for the farmers market, nightly summer community events and daily interaction with residents.
JP Morgan Chase Community	Parsons – Milano Team: 2nd Place
Development Competition	Funding and design proposal in support of The Boys and Girls Club of Harlem expansion and
New York, 2007	renovation of their Harlem brownstone and adjacent community garden.

## **FELLOWSHIP - AWARD**

University of Washington 2014	Distinguished Alumni - Architecture School Centennial Centennial School Wide Studio Review Critic
Antipode Foundation 2012	Regional Workshop Award "NYC Geographic Expedition and Institute: Liberation Education for Geographic Inquiry" Research Member - STRC (Space Time Research Collective)
Parsons The New School for Design 2012	Faculty Development Grant "Toolkit for Radical Pedagogies" Faculty Member - Development Team
Michael Kalil Endowment 2007	Student - Memorial Fellowship Grant Research in the urban morphology of São Paulo and Curitiba, Brazil. Using technological and ecological systems as a methodology to investigate the socio-spatial form of global cities.
Parsons The New School for Design 2006 - 2009	Dean's List Academic Scholarship
University of Washington 1999	Pio Prize Grant – Rome Program Scholarship

## Seattle Design Review Boards - March 2021

42 Design Review Board Members: Pursuant to SMC 23.41.008, all members are subject to City Council confirmation, two-year terms that may be re-appointed to a second term:

- 12 City Council-appointed
- 13 Mayor-appointed
- 15 Joint Mayor and Council appointed
- 2 Mayor appointed per SMC 3.51 (Get Engaged)

#### Roster:

*D	**G	RD	Position No.	Position Title	Name	Term Begin Date	Term End Date	Term #	Appointed By
6	М		1.	Local Residential, DT	Bissen, Matthew	4/4/2021	4/3/2023	1	Mayor/ Council
3	М		2.	Local Community, NE	Castaneda, Manuel	4/4/2021	4/3/2023	1	Mayor
6	М		3.	Development, SW	Rosenstock, Scott	4/4/2020	4/3/2022	2	Mayor
6	F		4.	Business/ Landscape, W	Montressor, Jen	4/4/2021	4/3/2023	2	Mayor/ Council
6	F		5.	Local Residential, SW	Lirman, Johanna	4/4/2021	4/3/2023	1	Mayor
6	F		6.	Business/ Landscape, E	van Geldern, Emily	4/4/2020	4/3/2022	1	Mayor/ Council
9	М		7.	Local Community, SE	Colley, Chris	4/4/2020	4/3/2022	2	Mayor
6	М		8.	Development, SE	Germain, Stewart	4/4/2020	4/3/2022	1	Council
6	м		9.	Local Community, NW	Johnson, Brian	4/4/2020	4/3/2022	1	Council
6	F		10.	Local Business, NW	Bogert, Phoebe Erin	4/4/2021	4/3/2023	2	Mayor/ Council
6	F		11.	Design Professional, E	Gage, Gina	4/4/2021	4/3/2023	1	Mayor
6	М		12.	Development, NW	DiJulio, Penn	4/4/2020	4/3/2022	1	Mayor
6	М		13.	Business/ Landscape, DT	Luoma, Aaron	4/4/2020	4/3/2022	2	Mayor/ Council
6	М		14.	Development, E	Bendix, Chris	4/4/2021	4/3/2023	1	Council
6	М		15.	Development, NE	Gunter, Christian	4/4/2020	4/3/2022	1	Council
1	М		16.	Local Community, SW	Cheng, John	4/4/2020	4/3/2022	2	Council
6	м		17.	Design Professional, NE	Rusler, Dan	4/4/2020	4/3/2022	2	Council
6	F		18.	Design Professional, W	Eckrich, Janell T.	4/4/2021	4/3/2023	1	Council
6	М		19.	Local Community, W	Morefield, John	4/4/2020	4/3/2022	2	Mayor
6	F		20.	Development, DT	Dagliano, Carey	4/4/2021	4/3/2023	1	Council
6	М		21.	Business/ Landscape, SW	Cobb, Patrick	4/4/2021	4/3/2023	1	Mayor/ Council
1	F		22.	Design Professional, SE	So, May	4/4/2021	4/3/2023	2	Council
9	F		23.	Design Professional, NW	Watkins, Adrienne	4/4/2021	4/3/2023	1	Mayor

6	М	24.	Local Community, E	Haas, Andrew	4/4/2021	4/3/2022	2	Council
6	F	25.	Local Residential, NW	Rock, Lauren	4/4/2020	4/3/2022	2	Mayor/ Council
6	М	26.	Local Community, DT	Henderson, Jason	4/4/2020	4/3/2022	1	Mayor
6	F	27.	Development, W	Rattray, Tiffany	4/4/2021	4/3/2023	1	Mayor
6	м	28.	Local Residential, NE	Carter, Timothy	4/4/2021	4/3/2023	2	Mayor/ Council
6	м	29.	Design Professional, DT	Palushock, Ed	4/4/2020	4/3/2022	2	Mayor
6	м	30.	Design Professional, SW	Grainger, Alan	4/4/2021	4/3/2023	2	Mayor/ Council
6	м	31.	Business/ Landscape, SE	Bader, David	4/4/2020	4/3/2022	2	Mayor/ Council
6	м	32.	Local Residential, W	Farkas, Allan	4/4/2021	4/3/2023	1	Mayor/ Council
6	м	33.	Local Residential, E	Cannon, Michael R.	4/4/3021	4/3/2023	1	Mayor/ Council
6	м	34	Local Residential, SE	Maier, Daniel	4/4/2021	4/3/2023	2	Mayor/ Council
6	F	35.	Business/ Landscape, NE	Liss, Katharine	4/4/2020	4/3/2022	1	Mayor/ Council
6	F	36.	Get Engaged	Honig, Margaret	9/1/2020	8/31/2021	1	Mayor (SMC 3.51)
5	F	37.	Local Residential, CA	Khosla, Sharon	4/4/2020	4/3/2022	2	Council
2	F	38.	Local Community, CA	Ingram, Ronquesha	4/4/2020	4/3/2022	1	Mayor
6	м	39.	Design Professional, CA	Floor, Jeffrey	4/4/2020	4/3/2022	2	Council
2	м	40.	Development, CA	Pleasant, Kenny	4/4/2020	4/3/2022	2	Mayor
3	F	41.	Business/ Landscape, CA	Garcia, Ana Cristina	4/4/2020	4/3/2022	1	Mayor/ Council
6	м	42.	Get Engaged	Stein, Connor	9/1/2020	8/31/2021	1	Mayor (SMC 3.51)

### New Appointments

**Re-appointments** 

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	Men	Women	Transgender	Unknown	Asian	Black/ African American	Hispanic/ Latino	American Indian/ Alaska Native	Other	Caucasian/ Non- Hispanic	Pacific Islander	Middle Eastern	Multiracial
Mayor	9	6	0	0	0	2	1	0	0	10	0	0	2
Council	8	4	0	0	2	0	0	0	1	9	0	0	0
Joint	9	6	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	14	0	0	0
Total	26	16	0	0	2	2	2	0	1	33	0	0	2

Key:

- \*D List the corresponding *Diversity Chart* number (1 through 9)
- \*\*G List gender, M = Male, F= Female, T= Transgender, U= Unknown
- RD Residential Council District number 1 through 7 or N/A

Diversity information is self-identified and is voluntary.