

**Professor Benjamin M. Johnston**  
**Curriculum Vitae**

**Name**

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**Education**

University of Texas, School of Architecture / Austin, TX 2002 - 2005

- Awarded a Masters of Architecture in May, 2005.
- Graduated with Honors and a 3.8 GPR.
- Awarded a 6-month residency with the architecture firm, Cesar Pelli & Associates–Japan.
- Awarded a teaching assistance-ship, teaching Environmental Control Systems for Fall 2002.

Texas A&M University / College Station, TX 1998 - 2002

- Awarded Bachelors of Environmental Design.
- Graduated Magna Cum Laude with a 3.7 GPR and as an Honors Fellow.
- Dean's List for ten semesters, 1998 - 2002
- One of the eleven candidates (out of 10,000) nominated for the 2002 Brown Foundation-Earl Rudder Memorial Award, the very highest honor that the University can bestow on any of its students.
- 2002 Recipient of the Ernest Langford Award for academic excellence, highest moral integrity, and promise of civic enterprise.
- Honors Research Fellow, thesis entitled: "Modern Architecture: An Analysis of the Iconic Vision in Film."
- Texas A&M University Chapter President of the American Institute of Architecture Students, 2001-2002.
- Member of the College of Architecture's Academic Affairs Committee, 2001-2002
- College Representative on the Dean's Advisory Council, 2001-2002.
- 2001 Recipient of the Gunther Koetter Memorial Scholarship.
- 2001 Recipient of the Academic Incentive Award for Academic Excellence.
- 2001 Best of Show Winner of Art Fest, a University-wide art contest.
- 2000 Recipient of the Gary Carrol Memorial Scholarship.
- 2000 Recipient of the International Fee Scholarship.
- 2000 Recipient of the Academic Incentive Award for Academic Excellence.

Santa Chiara Center :: Castiglion Fiorentino, Italy :: Fall 2000

- Studied architectural history and theory under Paolo Barruchieri.
- Studied painting under master painter, Ricardo Biancchi.

**Professional Experience**

- RCBJ Design Studio / Owner & Designer 2005 - 2010

- Cesar Pelli & Associates / Designer 2004
- Roberto Cervantes Designs / Assistant Designer 2002 - 2005
- University of Texas, College of Architecture / Mebane Gallery Exhibition Designer 2003

### **Professional Achievements**

- Named one of Houston's "Best Young Designers" by *Houston Magazine* September 2008
- Named one of Houston's "Hip Houston [Designers]" by *002 Magazine* August 2006

### **Research and Technical Experience**

- Instructional Technology Certification, 2007
- Researched and wrote the article "Billboard Architecture," anthologized and published by University of Texas Press, 2005
- Researched and wrote the article "Modern Architecture: An Analysis of the Iconic Vision in Film," anthologized and published by Texas A&M University Press, 2002

### **Teaching Experience**

- Houston Community College / Professor 2006 – Present  
     Courses Taught:  
         INDS 1291 Special Topics/Photoshop for Interior Designers  
         INDS 1341 Color Theory & Application  
         INDS 1345 Commercial Design I  
         INDS 1351 History of Interiors I  
         INDS 1352 History of Interiors II  
         INDS 2315 Lighting for Interior Designers  
         INDS 2317 Rendering Techniques  
         INDS 2321 Presentation Drawing  
         INDS 2337 Portfolio Presentation
- University of Texas, College of Architecture / Teaching Assistant 2002  
     Courses Taught:  
         Environmental Controls I

### **Professional Development**

- 8 Hours of Interior Design of Interior Design Education Per Year 2006 - Present
- 3 Professional Development Activities Per Year 2006 - Present

### **Affiliations/Memberships**

- Allied Member of the American Society of Interior Designers 2006 - Present
- Member of the American Institute of Architect Students 1998 - 2002

### **Awards and Honors**

- See Education for Scholastic Honors & Awards

### **Community Service**

- Volunteer Coordinator with Interior Design Central 2006 - Present
- Volunteer Coordinator with the HCC Student Chapter of the ASID 2006 - Present
- Houston Zoo 2011 - Present

### **Longevity With The College**

- Fall 2006 – Present

### **Staff Development**

- Instructional Technology Certification