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Great People Awards Jury Chair
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RE: Nomination of David T. Haresign, FAIA, for the 2021 Centennial Medal

Dear Chairperson,

I have the distinct pleasure of nominating my friend and colleague, David T. Haresign, FAIA, for the 2021 Centennial Medal. David has been a respected and energetic member of the Washington architectural community throughout his 45 plus years of practice and has clearly made – and continues to make – substantial contributions to the profession and the community. In addition to co-founding a successful and socially responsible firm, he is a tireless contributor to the Chapter, nonprofit organizations, and academia. David is a colleague, confidant, and trusted advisor to many – plus a person to call upon when a need arises and action is required. Always generous with his time and money, David epitomizes the spirit of the Centennial Medal through his life of service.

While I had known David socially for over 25 years, I first was able to fully understand and experience his passion for service to the profession during our years of service together on the AIA|DC Chapter Board. In 2009, he joined the Board and immediately made meaningful contributions. He was an integral contributor during my year as President in 2010, including strongly supporting my efforts related to the District Architecture Center as an outspoken advocate. David was an effective communicator and consistently worked to build consensus on issues before the Board and was never reluctant to assist with committee assignments and tasks. In addition to his leadership positions, including as 2013 Chapter President, he chaired the Design Excellence Committee, Honors Committee, and has been an active member of the Fellows Committee since his elevation to the College of Fellows in 2012. David is known by all to be a natural leader and a thoughtful participant, and many Board members, including myself, sought – and continue to seek – out his advice and thoughts before acting on a given matter.

Upon joining the Board, David immediately took on chairmanship of the Design Excellence Committee and started the highly successful *Washington* UNBUILT awards program. He expanded the Design Excellence Committee from essentially two members – the Executive Director and a Board member – to an active group of 30 to 40 members who met, and continue to meet, monthly to select juries for design awards programs, run other programs, sponsor occasional lectures, and to discuss the state of design and factors that influence design for our members.

One of David's highpoint activities as a Board Member was as a Co-Chair of the Chapter Host Committee of the 2012 AIA National Convention held in Washington DC. In addition to his organizational activities, David was committed to elevating Washington DC as a critical region for serious design dialogue. As anyone involved with the convention knows, his tasks required a monumental amount of time and effort over several years to pull off, and the success of our convention is one of the testimonies to his efforts.

The Washington DC region has three active AIA Chapters. While geographically close, they have unfortunately often acted independently and at times at cross-purposes. Recognizing this issue, David instigated and led efforts during his service on the AIA|DC Board to enhance communication and integrate activities of these Chapters. He was a co-founder of the Custom Residential Architects Network (CRAN) Tri-Chapter Committee, an effort that created a stronger more active committee which continues to be a benefit

to members involved in that market. As a newly elevated Fellow in 2012 and as Chapter President in 2013, David led an initiative allowing members of the adjacent Chapters to participate in the AIA|DC Fellows Committee program that supports member preparation of submittals to the College of Fellows. Many of David's other initiatives continue to this day, have inspired new efforts, and have added value and opportunities to our region and the members of all three Chapters.

Another one of David's meaningful contributions to the Chapter has been his active ongoing mentorship of emerging and mid-career architects and designers. He enthusiastically participates in programs focused on mentorship and is a frequent speaker at national and local AIA events on the practice of architecture and on the process associated with becoming a Fellow. David has mentored and sponsored numerous candidates for Fellowship and has led outreach efforts to women and minority candidates. David has also been exceptionally generous with his financial support of mentorship and emerging architect's programs and scholarships. Typical for David, when I approached him about an effort to create a Fellows scholarship endowment he responded with - "how can I help" - and immediately became a founding contributor.

In addition to his service to the profession, David also contributes to his community. His leadership activities extend to related professional, academic, cultural and community organizations. David currently financially supports and serves as a trustee of The National Building Museum, the DC History Center, and the University of Virginia Architectural Alumni Foundation. David continues to be an active supporter for diverse leadership on these boards, and has recruited women, persons of color, and members from associated professions.

For the past six years, David has been a Trustee of the Cosmos Club Historic Preservation Foundation. In 2021, he was elevated to President of the Foundation Board and is currently leading an extensive restoration to the historic Townsend House, a national historic landmark. I serve as an advisor to the Foundation (at David's invitation) and can personally attest that much like his other activities, he has consistently advocated for active leadership in stewardship for the property and brought a tireless effort to this task which will help preserve an important piece of Washington's architectural history.

An engaging leader, David attracts and inspires colleagues to engage in volunteer activity, pro bono work and social responsibility by his own example, from civic and professional leadership to urban programs, such as the DC Initiatives Manager for the Capital Impact Partners. An advocate for the architect's role as a civic leader, he spreads the word through university graduate programs, research and lectures, national and regional forums, and AIA sponsored events. David is a sought-after design critic, and a frequent lecturer and panelist on current architecture and practice at regional universities, and at national and local conferences. Both in the local universities and through AIA|DC initiatives, David participates in portfolio critiques, and often works with individual students to improve their presentation of their work to attract greater attention as they seek employment.

An active alumnus of the School of Architecture at the University of Virginia, David has supported the Dean's Forum with significant contributions for over twenty years. David was asked to become a member of the School's Architectural Alumni Foundation where he actively engages in fund raising for the Foundation, as well as advocating for critical issues. David teaches course segments on professional practice, serves as a critic for design and thesis juries, provides externships and internships to students, and remains a strong advocate for the expansion of the existing facilities to provide facilities commensurate with student and faculty needs, and with the School's standing as a top tier institution.

His contributions to the profession and the community also include those made through his professional work. David was a founding partner of Bonstra | Haresign ARCHITECTS in Washington, DC. Established in 2000, the firm is well known for its work that revitalizes communities, especially in emerging neighborhoods, and is often inserted into historic neighborhoods. David's work successfully engages a spectrum of

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community issues and goals. Committed to smart growth planning and preservation, David promotes affordable housing as a basic right - retaining less affluent residents in old neighborhoods and housing them in new ones. He has designed and implemented more than 110 individual buildings as well as multi-building masterplans for non-profit developers and community organizations including AHC, Wesley Housing, and Melwood. His successful practice also is a role model for diversity. The firm embraces a diversity of team members, with over 60% of the members with minority and/or international backgrounds, and nearly 50% female design professionals.

In summary, it is an honor to write this nomination letter that only touches on the surface of the career of an architect that has made a meaningful and lasting contribution. His many leadership activities have elevated the profession and demonstrated how architects can better their communities. I believe David is worthy of this award and recognition and trust the jury will give him thoughtful consideration.

Very truly yours,



Steven L. Spurlock, FAIA LEED AP
Principal

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With 45 years of professional experience, David Haresign, FAIA is a widely recognized leader of the Washington region's design community. As a founding partner of **Bonstra | Haresign** ARCHITECTS in Washington, DC, David fosters and leads a studio of talented professionals who are engaged in AIA|DC's regional professional community. Established over 20 years ago in 2000, the firm is well known for its work that reinforces communities and catalyzes emerging neighborhoods. Award-winning work led by David, in a wide range of typologies and scales, has garnered over 115 national, regional and local awards, and has been published in international, national and local books, magazines, newspapers and digital media. He has built a very successful practice that embraces diversity, with over 60% of the team members with minority and international backgrounds, nearly 50% female design professionals <https://www.bonstra.com/studio/people/>, and with diverse partners outside of the firm designing and implementing the work.

David led AIA|DC as President (2013), as an officer on the Executive Committee (2010 – 2014), as board member (2009-14), and as 2012 National AIA Conference Host Chapter Committee co-chair (2010 - 2012). As former chair (2009-12) and member of AIA|DC's Design Excellence Committee, David champions inclusive, well-juried Chapter awards programs. David was elevated to the AIA College of Fellows in 2012, and since 2013 has been a key member of the Chapter's Fellows Committee. He represents AIA|DC locally and nationally, with publication in Architect magazine news, panel discussions, and events such as AIA's 2021 virtual Conference.

David supports an allied community of cultural, civic, and academic organizations, and engages many more local and regional communities of people and interests. Complementing his firm and AIA pro bono work, David serves the related cultural and academic communities. He is a trustee of the National Building Museum, the DC History Center, and the University of Virginia Architectural Alumni Foundation. Through his suggestions and recruitment, all three organizations have diversified their boards. He is also the 2021 President of the Cosmos Club Historic Preservation Foundation. David is a sought-after design critic and a frequent lecturer and panelist at academic juries and conferences. David attracts and inspires colleagues to volunteer, take on pro bono work, and

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embrace social responsibility - a classic illustration of leadership by example. He continues his efforts as a role model and as a mentor of emerging and mid-career architects and designers.

In his practice David focuses on complex, large-scale projects, with a characteristic openness to community issues and goals. Long committed to smart growth planning and neighborhood preservation, David increasingly seeks the practical achievement of residential mixed use and the basic right of affordable housing—whether keeping less affluent residents in their older neighborhoods, or making them part of new ones. A co-creator of over 110 mixed use and multifamily designs, David is currently planning, designing and implementing master plans and buildings for such non-profit and community-based organizations as AHC, Wesley Housing, and Melwood.

“David’s practice model engages and inspires everyone, from students and interns to emerging architects, mid-career architects, and peer colleagues within the practice of architecture and to stakeholders outside of the profession,” writes Professor Barry Yatt, FAIA.

Through David’s commitment to the AIA and to local cultural and academic institutions, he continues to demonstrate the value of the architect who possesses determination and consistent vision.



Bonstra | Haresign ARCHITECTS, 2019

Professional and Community Affiliations

American Institute of Architects

AIA | DC Washington Chapter of the AIA

Fellows Committee (2013 - Present)
Honors Committee Chair (2014 - 2015)
Host Chapter 2012 National AIA Convention Committee Co-Chair (2010 – 2012)
Past President, Officer and Director (2009 - 2014)
Design Excellence Committee Chair (2009 - 2012); Member (2013 – Present)

Northern Virginia + Potomac Valley AIA Chapters Unassigned Member

CRAN Tri-Chapter Committee Founding Co-chair (2012 – 2014); Member (2015 – 2017)

National Building Museum

Board of Trustees (2019 - Present)
Executive and Governance Committees (2020 - Present)
Corinthian and Capital Society Member (2004 – Present)

DC History Center (Historical Society of Washington, DC)

Trustee (2018 - Present)
Advisory Council (2015 - 2018)

University of Virginia, School of Architecture Alumni Foundation

Trustee (2017 - Present)

Cosmos Club Historic Preservation Foundation

President (2021)
Trustee (2014 - Present)

University of Maryland, School of Architecture, Real Estate Development Curriculum

Council of Advisors (2008 - Present)

Lambda Alpha International – George Washington Chapter

Member (2007 - Present)
Past Director and Chair of the Committee on Architecture, Landscape Architecture and
Civil Engineering (2010 - 2014)

Baltimore City Planning Department

Urban Design and Architecture Review Panel (2013 - 2017)

DC Preservation League

National Trust for Historic Preservation

Urban Land Institute

Advisory Services Panelist
Speaker and Panelist at annual conference

DC Building Industry Association

DC | MD National Association of Industrial and Office Parks

DC Leadership Council (2016)

Licenses & Registrations

Professional NCARB, DC, MD, and VA
EarthCraft, Universal Design

Education

The University of Virginia

Bachelor of Science, Architecture (1976)
Graduate Planning Studies (1978 – 1979)

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American Institute of Architects

David's involvement with the AIA has grown from initial membership upon registration to leading panels related to professional practice and as an entrant and periodic winner of the Chapter's design awards programs to leadership of AIA|DC, The Washington Chapter of the American Institute of Architects. He is a recognized among National leadership and Institute administration, has campaigned to elect several AIA Presidents, and frequently enters into productive policy dialogue with elected leaders and the Executive Director. Following are a few of David's accomplishments:

AIA|DC Board Service (2009 – 2014)

With a strong interest in giving back to the profession and serving the local AIA membership, David was elected to the Board as an At Large member. He immediately began leadership as Board liaison to and committee chair of the Design Excellence Committee (DEC) and encouraging a new center for architecture as headquarters for AIA|DC (see below). His immediate contributions to the Chapter and to President Elect Steven Spurlock earned David fast track advancement to nomination as an officer and member of the Executive Committee in 2010. David then advanced the Chapter's early planning efforts for the upcoming 2012 National AIA Convention in Washington (see below). David helped the Chapter to successfully navigate the Convention, and the Chapter earned a cash infusion from the National AIA that offset revenue loss caused by the convention.

In 2013 immediately after the 2012 AIA National Convention, David became Chapter President – a year of recovery and reset for the Chapter. Some of David's accomplishments include:

- Working closely with Executive Director Mary Fitch, Hon, AIA, AICP, and the board, David led an increase in member involvement through engagement in committees based on the belief that active members are more committed to the organization. AIA|DC has expanded from 5 committees to over 17 active committees; committee leadership now meets together to cross-pollinate and create joint programming. David helped lead a strategic plan
- David specifically encouraged expanded advocacy, led by eventual board member and 2017 AIA|DC President Carolyn Sponza, AIA, LEED AP with now Bonstra | Haresign ARCHITECTS Associate Partner Jack Devilbiss, AIA, LEED BD+C.
- David worked to increase collaboration and engagement among the three local AIA chapters, and to establish cooperative agreements with other professional organizations, such as IIDA, American Society of Landscape Architects, and the American Planning Association. The connections resulted in joint planning for courses at DesignDC and joint participation in events increasing cross-disciplinary attendance.
- Collaborating with Helen Wilkes, AIA (the originator), David worked the AIA Potomac Valley Chapter and with Randy Mars of AIA Northern Virginia founding a tri-chapter Custom Residential Architects Network (CRAN), a strong component of a national organization within the AIA. CRAN provides learning and networking opportunities to small-scale - the majority of AIA member firms.
- David encouraged AIA|DC board member Sean Stadler, FAIA (thought leader and originator), to implement the Christopher Kelley Leadership Development program. David introduced Sean to Ryan McEnroe, AIA, ASLA, LEED AP. Sean and Ryan established the program, which is now active in nine other AIA chapters, with significant annual interest for additional programs (see below). The program trains and nurtures the next generation of leaders. The curriculum focuses on core professional skills such as entrepreneurship

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and firm management, working together and collaboration, the art of negotiation, client development, community leadership, industry trends, and developing your future within the practice. In 2018 at AIA Grassroots, the AIA|DC CKLDP was recognized with the recognized with the AIA CACE Component Excellence Award for Knowledge Sharing Initiatives.

“I first met David as a graduate student at the University of Virginia 12 years ago. He has since been a great professional mentor, and has made a profound impact on my development as a young architect. He continually make’s time to support the next generation of architects. With David’s encouragement and support, the Christopher Kelley Leadership Development Program (CKLDP), now in 9 different AIA components, I joined Sean Stadler, FAIA to create the program.”

– Ryan McEnroe, AIA, Co-Founder of CKLDP and 2020 Chair of the AIA Young Architects Forum

- As David took on increased duties for the Convention and the AIA|DC Chapter Presidency, he encouraged Steve White, FAIA, to assume leadership of the Design Excellence Committee.
- David worked with Sean Nohelty, AIA, who David had recruited to become a Design Excellence Committee member 2014 AIA|DC President, to reimagine the annual awards dinner. Sean and his cohort established the Design Fete to celebrate AIA|DC Great People and Design Excellence, with attendance that eventually grew from approximately 150 attendees to over 300.
- David has actively mentored new chapter leaders, encouraging committee participation and leadership. Sean Nohelty, AIA (2014), Steve White, FAIA (2015), Sean Stadler, FAIA (2016), and Carolyn Sponza, AIA (2017) were all encouraged to join the AIA leadership., and advanced to become President of the Chapter.

District Architecture Center (2009 – 2012)

David was a leader in establishing **AIA|DC’s District Architecture Center (DAC)**, at the time the largest AIA “storefront” outreach center in the U.S., and the new, downtown headquarters for both the Chapter and the allied Washington Architectural Foundation. Among David’s contributions and results:

- Retained fund raising consultant, personally raised over 8% of the project’s costs
- Set an aggressive schedule that enables the DAC to open in time for the 2012 National Convention
- Led programming, including visits to comparable U.S. architecture centers, research on lessons learned
- Located, secured the visible, Metro-accessible location on D.C.’s 7th Street arts and entertainment corridor
- Advocated an open design competition and recruited competition adviser Roger Lewis, FAIA, resulting in 17 entries and a well-received winning design

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“I served on AIA|DC’s taskforce promoting a more effective 21st century AIA, and giving it a public face. With the economy in shambles and approval in doubt, David Haresign made a strong and eloquent plea to the boards of the AIA|DC and the Washington Architectural Foundation to finalize our plan, begin fundraising, develop a program, conduct a design competition, and pursue an aggressive schedule for the District Architecture Center (DAC.) Thanks to his efforts, the DAC is opening in November and will be fully operational for the 2012 AIA National Convention.”

– Donald Beekman Myer, FAIA, District Architecture Center Task Force, Past President of AIA|DC (1987) and the Washington Architectural Foundation (co-founder)

AIA|DC Design Excellence Committee (2009 – Present)

As a new Board member David Haresign re-organized the Design Excellence Committee, expanding it from a committee of one to over 30 active Chapter members, and achieving the following results:

- Originated and implemented a new awards program – **Washington UNBUILT**
 - Showcase both commissioned and theoretical unbuilt projects of all design disciplines – architecture, planning, landscape architecture, interiors, and objects, creating an outlet for designers during construction slump
 - Engage the local university design community, giving students and faculty opportunities to participate on equal footing with practitioners, and strengthening their ties to the AIA
 - **UNBUILT** attracted over 100 entries, and netting the Chapter up to \$10,000 annually
 - In the early years, the announcement of winners has nearly tripled attendance to the opening party at DesignDC (AIA|DC regional conference)
- Refined, expanded the Jury pool list
- Established jury criteria that resulted in greater diversity in gender, race, typology expertise, polemic, and geographic location of practice, improving and broadening jury composition
- Recruited leaders in the AIA|DC chapter and other allied professions
 - Senior Leaders - Don Meyer, FAIA, Les Shepherd, FAIA, Former Dean Garth Rockcastle, FAIA, Lewis Goetz, FAIA, FIIDA (co-chair), Chris Graae, FAIA, Gerry Briggs, FAIA, Mark Strauss, FAIA, J.P. Spickler, FAIA, Amy Gardner, FAIA, Robert Miller, FAIA, Jon Fitch, ASLA and other respected senior leaders to participate as long time committee members. These leaders significantly add to the conversation about the awards program, especially related to definitions of the awards program, and selection of outstanding jurors
 - Mid-career professionals – Sean Nohelty, AIA, Steve White, FAIA (co-chair), Devon Perkins, AIA, and Michael Day, AIA (co-chair) with passion about design, and advancing the quality of our awards programs and celebratory events
 - Young professional – Marek Hnizda, AIA (secretary, co-chair, B|HA), Tanya Ally, AIA (secretary, co-chair, B|HA), David Polk, AIA and Jeffrey Rynes (secretary) learning the value of service to the profession and receiving leadership training

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- Added Planning and Urban Design as a category to the Chapter Design Awards program
- Refined written submission criteria
- Converted all three Chapter awards programs to digital submissions, resulting in reduced submission costs, more sustainable resource use, and a ready-made digital archive

“David Haresign’s commitment and leadership in the AIA has inspired me and others in the community and in the profession to become more involved in AIA leadership and activities. David is an exceptional role model, inspiring both young and older professionals as a leader and community builder.”

– Lewis J. Goetz, FAIA, FIIDA, President, Group Goetz Architects, Member, Design Excellence Committee

AIA|DC Fellows Committee

Since his elevation to The College of Fellows in 2012, David joined the AIA|DC Fellows Committee in order to give back to the Committee, to encourage and support deserving candidates to consider applying for Fellowship, and to assist interested members to achieve Fellowship by providing constructive guidance and feedback on submissions. For the past ten years, David has attended over 90% of the monthly meetings, and provided additional direct critique to submitters with direct discussions. Starting in 2013, David has successfully sponsored eight Fellows – respected friends and colleagues – and written reference letters for many other successful applicants. David has spoken as a panelist at **DesignDC** at the request of Fellows Committee Chair, Janet White, FAIA, and initiated a “Meet the Fellows” introductory program to celebrate newly elevated Fellows. David continues to advocate for greater diversity within the Fellows community, encouraging qualified colleagues and friends to apply, and sponsoring, coaching and writing reference letters for these candidates.

“Since his elevation to the College of Fellows in 2012, David Haresign, FAIA has been a strategic member of the AIA|DC Fellows Committee and his many contributions have been ongoing in the success of the program. In addition to his engaging work with candidates as both sponsor and senior coach, David is continually on guard for potential candidates outside the mainstream of conventional practice and admirably in line with the broader reach of the profession today. Notably, David has presented his experience to chapter members and the general public as part of Future Fellows seminars at DesignDC and he has created opportunities in the academy introducing the New Fellows to students at the local architecture schools. His consistent outreach, vigilance, paying it forward, and active participation have been invaluable to the committee, and a model of a true AIA Fellow and a great contributor to the AIA|DC chapter.”

– Janet R. White, FAIA, LEED AP, Chair, AIA|DC Fellows Committee

Organizational Results

District Architecture Exhibits

David organized and chaired two major, highly successful exhibits at the District Architecture Center focusing on AIA|DC member architects' impact on the city – **reVISION :: THINKING BIG** and **reBIRTH :: Washington, DC 50 Years after 1968**. In addition to organizing the teams, David participated in content development, procured photographs and models, worked directly with the graphic designer, content writer, video producer and gallery manager to create the exhibits that were each displayed in both galleries of the District Architecture Center. David also organized and raised much of the funds needed to produce the exhibit materials and to stage opening ceremonies. Both exhibits were also displayed at other venues.

Ongoing Mentorship :: from Committee Leadership to Organization Presidents

David lives by the rule that a good leader always trains his or her replacement. David identifies talented and intelligent people to fulfill critical roles, confirms commitment and willingness to serve, invests time, and shares knowledge. In organizations like AIA|DC, mentoring the next generation of leaders leads to continuity and a long-term organizational stability and success. Both from within his firm and in the course of transacting professional engagement, David successfully engages and recruits for committees, events and leadership. Within AIA|DC, David recruited and mentored the four chapter presidents who succeeded him – Sean Nohelty, AIA (2014), Steve White, FAIA (2015), Sean Stadler, FAIA (2016) and Carolyn Sponza, AIA (2017). David has encouraged and coached colleagues and friends to contribute to the richness of AIA|DC by joining and leading committees. From within Bonstra | Haresign ARCHITECTS, David has recruited the following team members: Jack Devilbiss, AIA, LEED AP (Advocacy, chair), Marek Hnizda, AIA (Design Excellence Committee, secretary, Washington UNBUILT leader, co-chair), Tanya Ally, AIA (Design Excellence Committee, secretary, co-chair), Joseph McKinley, (Emerging Architects, vice chair), Tensae Woldeselliasie (Advocacy), Zenairee Garcia, AIA, LAIDEA.

“David Haresign has been instrumental in stewarding my professional development, and I credit several of my professional contributions to his mentorship. It is because of David’s initial and continued encouragement that I am actively involved in AIA|DC, where I now serve as the Vice Chair for the Emerging Architects Committee (EAC). David has played active mentorship roles in planning several impactful AIA|DC events such as the Small Firm Showcase and an outreach event with My Girlfriends House Inc. that saw local high school female students being introduced to our profession. David and our firm have sponsored events in the past. David’s continued investment in me and all Architects that he’s mentored over the course of his career is an invaluable service to the profession.”

– Joseph McKinley, AIA, Staff Architect, Bonstra | Haresign ARCHITECTS
Professional Track Faculty Lecturer, University of Maryland, School of Architecture, Preservation and Planning
2021 Vice Chair for the Emerging Architects Committee (EAC)

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“I have worked with David for 15 years, and his mentorship has had profoundly positive impacts on every aspect of my professional life. He has been and continues to be a teacher, a teammate, and an advocate for me. David works tirelessly to improve the world around him. His portfolio of successful and award-winning projects stands as an example of that desire. David places an equal emphasis on cultivating the talents and interests of those he works with. Pride in your work, dedication to your clients and the use of your skills to contribute to your community are bedrock lessons that I have learned from David.”

– Jack Devilbiss, AIA, Associate Partner, Bonstra | Haresign ARCHITECTS
AIA | DC Advocacy Committee Chair

2012 AIA National Convention

National Advisory Committee (2011 – 2012)

Prior to the 2011 AIA National Convention in New Orleans, David took part in planning the convention with AIA leadership, staff and the then-new Hanley-Wood convention management team. His efforts resulted in:

- Adopt “Exhibit Floor only” period (10 a.m. to 2 p.m.), adding opportunities for attendees to visit exhibitors
- Reintroduce CEU’s granted for accredited exhibitor presentations
- National AIA Design Award winners prominently shown in a dignified, organized display
- Ensuring that each New Orleans AIA committee leader met with their AIA|DC counterpart to share experience and lessons learned

David’s contributions to planning the 2012 AIA National Convention in Washington, DC included:

- Framed, advanced and confirmed the convention theme – **“Design Connects”**
- Researched and proposed the Great Hall in the Jefferson Building of the Library of Congress as a key venue, leading to its choice for president’s Inauguration and VIP Party
- Raised Exhibit Hall floor attendance by hosting accredited panels during “Exhibit Floor Only” hours), adopted by National AIA and convention manager Hanley Wood

“In early discussion about the 2012 AIA National Convention, David Haresign expanded my horizons by revealing Washington, DC as an international center of design influence. His persuasive arguments resulted in unanimous consensus by the National Advisory Committee, selecting ‘Design Connects’ as my theme.”

– Jeff Potter, FAIA , 2011 First Vice President | 2012 President-Elect; Chair, National Advisory Committee

Organizational Results

AIA National Convention Host Chapter Committee Co-Chair (2010 – 2012)

David's 2009 organizing efforts led to his appointment as Host Chapter Committee Co-chair. Through his personal efforts and through the committees that he organized, David accomplished the following:

- Successfully established and promoted the 2012 convention theme “Design Connects”
- Raised awareness of the Washington metropolitan area's position as a national and
 1. Federal and Public Architecture
 2. Historic Preservation
 3. Regeneration of Emerging Neighborhoods
 4. Interior Architecture and Workplace Design
 5. Residential Architecture
 6. Sustainable Design
- Planned architecture-focused and affordable social events, notably the Host Chapter Party at the Newseum
- Engaged nearby regional AIA Chapters in hosting the Convention, gathering data, and ensuring attendance
- Involved nine regional architecture and technology schools, increasing faculty and student participation
- Launched a digital display system that will archive award winning work, accessible to all Chapters nationwide (see below)
- Planned a Chapter booth that will proactively inform attendees about the Nation's Capital and the Chapter
- Programmed events to showcase the new District Architecture Center

“David is leading AIA|DC’s effort to enhance how design work is displayed in all convention venues. His vision of regional design strengths, reinforcing the ‘Design Connects’ theme, drives our planning for events, tours, and presentations. His searchable database of local award winning work will be available to AIA components nationwide.”

– David Daileda, FAIA, 2012 Host Chapter Committee Co-Chair, AIA|DC Past President

Organizational Results

National Database of Award-Winning Work (2011 - 2013)

David conceived a retrievable database system that will capture, store and display digital images and project data on award winning projects from the 2012 National Convention. He is leading system development in cooperation with AIA National digital media staff. Beyond the Design in the New Millennium exhibits at the Convention, AIA National will use the system to supplement its **Architect Finder** program. AIA|DC and AIA Northern Virginia and Potomac Valley Chapters will run pilot programs, and over time AIA National will make the software available to all components.

“David envisioned a searchable database allowing visitors to search for award winning projects online, and engaged us to participate. AIA National will use the database to collect component data in standardized format and provide all AIA components with an easy-to-use system to display their winning projects online, leading to a comprehensive view of project information for architects and the public.”

– Angel Baltimore, Director, AMS Project Management, The American Institute of Architects

AIA Host Chapter Committee Design Leadership Chair (2010 – 2012)

David organized and led the Design Leadership Committee, among the three local AIA chapters, to showcase the region’s design strengths. The efforts of three regional AIA components are resulting in:

- Design in the New Millennium, a continuous slideshow of 800 award winning projects from the Washington, Northern Virginia, and Potomac Valley Chapters of the AIA
- Database (see above) of over 800 winning projects, 1100 winning practitioners
- Display options and templates, including interactive touch screens throughout the Convention
- Accredited Exhibit Hall discussion panels by leading Washington practitioners, with 4 – 5 minute video productions for the six “areas of DC strength” (see above)

Cultural and Academic Institutions

David has extended his outreach to other national, regional and local cultural and academic institutions, committing significant service time to share his experience, network and resources to bolster the National Building Museum, the DC History Center, The University of Virginia, and the Cosmos Club Historic Preservation Foundation. After accepting nominations as a Trustee, David has been an active leader and contributor. David has actively promoted increased diversity on these boards by recruiting a broad array of new members. In addition, he has worked with several boards to transition executive leadership, identity and strategic plans, and as they navigated challenging financial times. All of these institutions have emerged stronger and better organized.

Academic Contributions

“David Haresign’s longstanding commitment to upholding the highest values of our architectural profession is evidenced not only through his award-winning practice, but also through his dedication to mentoring generations of young architects, his ongoing advocacy for our discipline, and tireless service to the profession and to the cultural community. At the University of Virginia School of Architecture David has been an active contributing member of our academic community and Foundation Board of Trustees for over 15 years initiating efforts that advance and support excellence in architectural education and is a leader in ensuring robust paths to practice for graduates entering the field.”

– Dr. Ila Berman, Dean and Edward E. Elson Professor, UVA School of Architecture

Academic Contributions

David participates in a wide range of activities directly with the local architecture schools. He participates as an invited juror for thesis reviews, graduate and upper level undergraduate design juries, and lectures about professional practice and topical discussions, e.g. design in historic districts. David has hosted events for schools and classes in Bonstra | Haresign ARCHITECTS offices. David hosts externs and summer interns to create learning and experiential opportunities for students, and participates in group and individual portfolio/resume reviews. Through his involvement in all of the schools, David is a well-known practitioner among the professors and deans, frequently called upon for advice and counsel about projects and courses. A few of David’s specific contributions include:

The Catholic University of America

Graduate Design Juror
Urban Infill Low Rise Housing Development

University of Maryland

Design Thesis Juror
Capstone Consultant on & Design Critic
Colvin Institute, Master of Real Estate Development, four Graduate Students spring semester, three Graduate Students fall semester
Graduate School Orientation - Keynote
School of Architecture, Planning & Preservation
“Chinatown and Gallery Place: Modern Integration and Re-purposing Historic Fabric”
Guest Speaker

The Catholic University of America,

University of Maryland,

University of Virginia

AIA|DC Design Excellence Committee,
Presenter
Design Symposia for Washington UNBUILT

Winning Submissions for Awards + Competitions

University of Maryland

Colvin Institute, Masters in Real Estate Development
Visiting Lecturer
“Regulatory Review and the Development Process: Federal Oversight, DC Zoning, Historic Preservation - Design Impact,” (see Appendix 3)

The Catholic University of America

Architecture Graduate Thesis Jury

University of Virginia

Architecture Alumni Foundation - Lecture
“Ex-urban to Urban, Smart Growth Transition of Washington, DC’s Edge Cities,” moderated by Professor Bill Lucy

University of Maryland

Graduate Design Studio Juries
Education Studio
Adaptive Use Studio

Academic Contributions

“As a critic, mentor and employer, David has challenged and inspired me to take initiative in design and my own career by providing me with diverse opportunities and invaluable insight. His passion for the future of the profession is evident in his commitment to his employees and his building of the architectural community.”

– Laura Williams, Assoc. AIA, Bonstra | Haresign ARCHITECTS Intern 2009, Architectural Staff 2011-2012, University of Maryland, MArch 2010

Capstone Class

Colvin Institute, Masters in Real Estate Development

“Design of Infill Urban Residential Buildings Architectural Design Analysis Methodology and Process”

Development and Design Symposium - Presentation

“Sustainable Development: SMART, ADAPTIVE and GREEN - Adaptive Use as a Sustainable Development and Design Strategy,” (see Appendix 2)

Lecture and National Traveling Exhibit - Contributor

SUBSEQUENT ACTION: Creative Work on Neglected

Ground, curator and lecturer Dean Garth Rockcastle

Includes work by David Haresign (Parker Flats at Gage School)

University of Virginia

Architecture Alumni Foundation - Lecture

“Adaptive Reuse: A Sustainable Design Strategy Parker Flats at Gage School,” (see Appendix 2)

Virginia Tech, Washington Alexandria Architectural Center

Graduate Design Studio Juror

Architecture and Landscape Architecture

Graduate Design Studio

Urban Streetscape, Public Space and Infill Studio

University of Maryland

Capstone Class

Colvin Institute, Masters in Real Estate Development

“Design of Infill Urban Residential Buildings - Architectural Design Analysis Methodology and Process,” (see Appendix 3)

Virginia Tech, Washington Alexandria Architectural Center

AIAS Mentorship Workshop

Portfolio Preparation and Presentations

The Catholic University of America

Graduate Design Studio Juror

School of Architecture & Planning

Urban Infill | Large Scale Mixed-Use

Professional Practice Management

School of Architecture & Planning

“Design Process: Zoning and Building Codes, Site Analysis, Design, Historic Review, Zoning Building Permit Approvals

“As a graduate student at Virginia Tech, an intern in his firm, and as a young practitioner and business owner, David has mentored and guided me with his thoughtful insights and analysis on the practice of architecture and design.”

– Rick Harlan Schneider, FAIA, LEED AP

Principal, iStudio Architects

2005 AIA Young Architect of the Year

Ai, 1996-1997 Architectural Intern

Undergraduate and Graduate Design Studios

Lecturer and Juror

Foundation of a Design-Focused Practice:

Balancing Design, Execution and

Management with Business

The Catholic University of America

Professional Practice Management, Visiting Lecturer

School of Architecture & Planning

“Design Office: Marketing, Project

Management and Joint Project Execution”

Architecture Graduate Thesis Juror

Large Site Urban Infill

University of Maryland

Historic Preservation and Masters in Real Estate

Development, Joint Construction Tour

Parker Flats at Gage School

Virginia Tech, Washington Alexandria Architectural Center

Design Studio Juror, Guest Lecturer

Academic Contributions

Architecture Undergraduate Design Studio
Mixed-Use Urban Studio

**The Catholic University of America, Virginia Tech,
Marymount University, University of Maryland**

Graduate Thesis and Undergraduate Juries, Guest Lecturer
Case Studies on Professional Practice Management, Site
Analysis and Design Process
Case Studies of America Online and Capital One Lectures:
“Buildings Respond to the Technology Driven Workplace”
“Underfloor Air Distribution Systems,” (see Appendix 1)

Philanthropy

David is committed to aiding future generations of architects and organizations that he and his wife, Patricia, support. David and his wife Patricia have established endowed initiatives for:

- University of Virginia School of Architecture Scholarship and Building Fund
- George Mason School of Nursing Scholarship in Resiliency
- National Building Museum Special Programs for Architecture Exhibits
- Sibley Memorial Hospital Nursing Resiliency
- Cosmos Club Historic Preservation Foundation for Stewardship of the Townsend House and Education
- DC Preservation League Education Programs

David has consistently and generously supported the following programs with annual donations:

- National AIA Fellows Scholarship Fund
- AIA|DC Fellows Committee Endowed Scholarship
- The District Architecture Center
- Washington Architectural Foundation Barbara Laurie Scholarship Fund
- National Building Museum Corinthian/Foundation Member, and special programs
- Anne Frank House
- DC History Center
- AHC Resident Services
- Wesley Housing Resident Services
- Jubilee Housing Resident Services
- Melwood
- DC Preservation League
- Greater Washington Boys and Girls Clubs
- University of Virginia Dean's Forum
- University initiatives and Spring Challenge
- University of Maryland School of Architecture, Historic Preservation and Planning William Bonstra Endowed Scholarship
- International Student House
- NAIOP Legislative Support, NAIOP Research Foundation

Project Experience

David has focused his career on:

- **Reinforcing Community in the Workplace**
- **Socially Responsible Neighborhoods**
- **Regeneration and Adaptive Use**

The following projects demonstrate commitment to design excellence, community engagement, technical innovation, and project leadership. Haresign led these projects as partner in charge and/or as design partner, and is largely responsible for the design and implementation of each project.



David's concern for the social, community-centered design - a necessary dimension of collaborative integrated practice - includes the workplace communities shown above and draws no hard line between non-profit and for-profit projects. That said, work shown in this section focuses on examples that highlight community issues and interests: affordable housing, diversity of residents and uses, sustainable urban and land use design and extended life of historic and other existing resources. Representing a variation on this theme are Haresign's projects for transforming office campuses into diverse, walkable urban villages. David Haresign's 60 or more mixed income/mixed use residential designs are represented by recent examples. As with his workplace projects, these have often had impact both in terms of client and community outcomes (for instance the community- catalyst effect of Parker Flats at Gage School) and influence in the professional and building community. Innovations include:

- fully integrated project design and project execution, including stakeholder involvement with design team
- creative exploration of entitlements and codes to support affordability
- emphasis on quality, 'market-rate' image for affordable housing
- high-performance/sustainable community and building design, using LEED, EarthCraft and other benchmarks
- advanced 'suburban urbanization' research involving major regional employers

David Haresign led all the projects listed in the following section as Partner-in-Charge.

Project Experience :: Affordable Housing



THE JORDAN

Typology: Multi-family Residential (100% affordable)

Completed: 2011

Location: 801 N Wakefield St, Arlington, VA

Client: AHC, Inc.

General Contractor: Harkins Builders, Inc.

Size: 97,000

Units: 90

Special Entitlements: Arlington County 4.1 Site Plan and Major Site Plan Amendment, Arlington County Board of Supervisors, Arlington County Planning Commission, Arlington County Housing Commission



THE MACEDONIAN

Typology: Multi-family Residential (100% affordable), Underground Parking

Completed: 2011

Location: 2229 Shirlinton Road, Arlington, VA

Client: AHC, Inc.

General Contractor: Bozzuto Construction Company

Size: 39,000 SF

Units: 36

Special Entitlements/Certifications: Arlington County Special Use Permit, Arlington County Board of Supervisors, Arlington County Planning Commission, Arlington County Transportation Commission, Nauck Village Action Plan approval



JACKSON CROSSING

Typology: Multi-family Residential (100% affordable), Underground Parking

Completed: 2013

Location: 120 East Reed Avenue, Alexandria, VA

Client: AHC, Inc.

General Contractor: Harkins Builders, Inc.

Size: 72,300 SF

Units: 78

Special Entitlements: Development Special Use Permit (DSUP) Approval, Alexandria City Council, Alexandria Planning Commission



THE SHELTON

Typology: Multi-family Residential (100% affordable), Underground Parking

Completed: 2009

Location: 3215 24th Street South, Arlington, VA

Client: AHC, Inc.

General Contractor: Harkins Builders

Size: 103,000 SF

Units: 94

Special Entitlements: Arlington County Special Use Permit, Arlington County Board of Supervisors, Arlington County Planning Commission, Arlington County Transportation Commission, Nauck Village Action Plan approval

Project Experience :: Affordable Housing



THE CADENCE (*IN PROCESS*)

Typology: Multi-family Residential (100% affordable), Underground Parking
Completed: Expected 2021
Location: 15 N. Trenton Street, 19 N. Trenton Street, 20 N. Thomas Street, and 4333 Arlington Boulevard, Arlington, VA
Client: Wesley Housing Development Corporation
General Contractor: Bozzuto Construction Company
Size: 117,00 SF
Units: 148
Special Entitlements/Certifications: 4.1 Site Plan Approval, Seeking EarthCraft Certification



1 HAWAII AVENUE, NE (*IN PROCESS*)

Typology: PUD / Renovation, Multi-family Residential (100% affordable)
Completed: Expected 2021
Location: 1 Hawaii Avenue, NE, Washington, DC
Client: Wesley Housing Development Corporation
General Contractor: WCS Construction
Size: 79,250 SF
Units: 78
Special Entitlements: PUD



FORT HENRY GARDENS (*IN PROCESS*)

Typology: Multi-family Residential (100% affordable), Master Planning
Completed: In Process - TBD
Location: 2470 S Lowell St, Arlington, VA 22206
Client: AHC, Inc.
General Contractor: Harkins Builders
Size: 350,000 SF
Units: 300
Special Entitlements: Arlington County 4.1 Site Plan



RANDOLPH ROAD (*IN PROCESS*)

Typology: Multi-family Residential (100% affordable), Commercial, Master Planning
Completed: Expected 2023
Location: 4010 Randolph Road, Silver Spring, MD 20902
Client: AHC, Inc.
General Contractor: Harkins Builders
Size: 280,000 SF
Units: 192300
Special Entitlements/Certifications: National Green Building Standard (anticipated), Montgomery County Site Plan submission

Project Experience :: Historic Preservation



PARKER FLATS AT GAGE SCHOOL

Typology: Multi-family Residential, Renovation / Historic Preservation, Condominium, Adaptive Use, School-to-Condo

Completed: 2008

Location: 2035 2nd Street, NW, Washington, DC 20001

Client: Monument Realty/Urban Realty Advisors

General Contractor: James C. Davis Construction Company

Size: 90,000

Units: 92

Special Entitlements: DC Historic Preservation Review Board (HPRB), DC Historic Preservation Office (HPO)



WY18

Typology: Multi-family Residential, Renovation / Historic Preservation, Condominium

Completed: 2012

Location: 1801 Wyoming Avenue, NW, Washington, DC

Client: Urban Investment Partners

General Contractor:

Size: 55,467 SF

Units: 46



SLOWE APARTMENTS

Typology: Multi-family Residential, Historic Preservation, Adaptive Use, Dorm-to-Apartment

Completed: 2020

Location: 1919 3rd Street, NW, Washington, DC 20001

Client: Urban Investment Partners (UIP) and Neighborhood Development Company (NDC)

General Contractor: UIP GC

Size: 81,700 SF

Units: 101



SEDGWICK GARDENS

Typology: Multi-family Residential, Historic Preservation / Renovation

Completed: 2017

Location: 3726 Connecticut Ave NW, Washington, DC 20008

Client: Urban Investment Partners

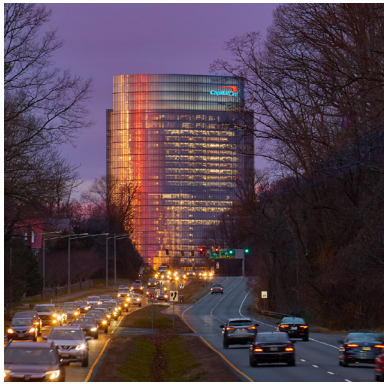
General Contractor: ULTRA Company

Size: 123,000

Units: 120

Special Entitlements: DC Historic Preservation Review Board (HPRB)

Project Experience :: Office Communities



CAPITAL ONE HEADQUARTERS II

Typology: Corporate Headquarters, Commercial Office, Retail, Master Planning
Completed: 2018

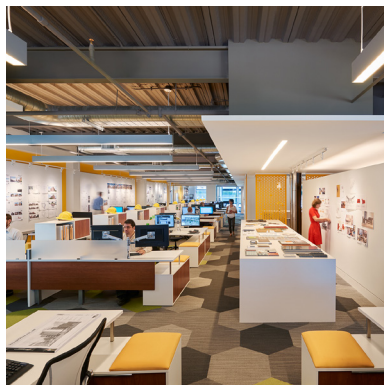
Location: 1680 Capital One Drive, McLean, VA 22102

Client: Capital One

General Contractor: Gilford Construction

Size: 1,648,800 SF

Special Entitlements/Certifications: **Master Plan** - Concept Development Plan - Fairfax County Planning Commission, Fairfax County Board of Supervisors. **Phase II** - Final Development Plan - Fairfax County Planning Commission, Fairfax County Board of Supervisors



1728 14TH STREET, NW (BONSTRA HARESIGN ARCHITECTS' OFFICE)

Typology: Commercial Office, Retail

Completed: 2014

Location: 1728 14th Street, NW, Washington, DC, 20009

Client: Wesley Housing Development Corporation

General Contractor: WCS Construction

Size: 30,600 SF

Special Entitlements: DC Board of Zoning Adjustment (BZA), DC Historic Preservation Review Board (HPRB), ANC 2F



1730 MASSACHUSETTS AVENUE, NW

Typology: Commercial Office, Renovation, Adaptive Use

Completed: 2009

Location: 1730 Massachusetts Ave, NW, Washington, DC

Client: Flamboyant

General Contractor: PRILL Construction Group

Size: 9,630 SF



AOL HEADQUARTERS, CREATIVE CENTER II

Typology: Commercial Office, Master Planning

Completed:

Location: 22000 AOL Way, Dulles, VA

Client: AOL

General Contractor:

Size: 230,000 SF

Special Entitlements/Certifications: National Green Building Standard (anticipated), Montgomery County Site Plan submission

Awards

2020

AIA Potomac Valley Chapter Merit Award, Multi-Family Architecture, 11141 Georgia Avenue, Wheaton, MD

IES DC Illumination Award, Lighting Control Innovation, Capital One Headquarters, McLean, VA

IES DC Illumination Award, Interior Lighting Design, Capital One Headquarters, McLean, VA

2019

Montgomery County Affordable Housing Conference, Design Award for Accessory Dwelling Unit, 4331 44th Street, NW, Washington, DC

AIA Northern Virginia Design Awards, Capital One Headquarters II, McLean, VA

Professional Remodeler Design Awards for Historic Preservation, Somerset Cabin v.4, Somerset, MD

NAIOP Northern Virginia Award of Excellence, Build-to-Suit, Non-Institutional, Capital One Headquarters II, McLean, VA

NAIOP Northern Virginia Award of Excellence, Capital Improvements, Non-Institutional, Dominion Apartments, Arlington, VA

Fairfax County James M. Scott Exceptional Design Awards, Capital One Headquarters II, McLean, VA

CoreNet Global Awards for Professional Excellence - Finalist, Capital One Headquarters II, McLean, VA

CoreNet Global Awards for Sustainable Leadership in Corporate Real Estate - Finalist, Capital One Headquarters II, McLean, VA

Bisnow Real Estate Washington, DC CREBA Project of the Year for Capital One Headquarters, McLean, VA

Corporate Real Estate Partnership Award, Capital One Headquarters, McLean, VA

2018

Tyson's Corner Chamber of Commerce, Skyline Luminary Award, Capital One Headquarters, McLean, VA

Washington Business Journal's Best Real Estate Deals Award, Capital One Headquarters, McLean, VA

2016

Montgomery County Affordable Housing Conference, First Place Award for New Construction, Jackson Crossing, Alexandria, VA

Washingtonian AIA|DC Residential Design Awards, The Barn at Hazel River Cabin, Rappahannock County, VA

AIA Northern Virginia Design Awards, Residential Architecture, The Barn at Hazel River Cabin, Rappahannock County, VA

AIA Northern Virginia Design Awards, Commercial Interiors, The Hive - BJHA Studio at 1728, Washington, DC

AIA Northern Virginia Design Awards, Commercial Architecture, 1728 14th Street, NW

2015

AIA | DC Architecture Design Awards, Presidential Citation for Urban Catalyst, 11141 Georgia Avenue, Wheaton, MD

AIA Northern Virginia Design Awards, Award of Excellence, Adaptive Use, 11141 Georgia Avenue, Wheaton, MD

Montgomery County Affordable Housing Conference, First Place Award for Renovations, 11141 Georgia Avenue, Wheaton, MD

NAIOP MD/DC Awards of Excellence, Award of Excellence, Best Renovation | Adaptive Re-Use, 11141 Georgia Avenue, Wheaton, MD

NAIOP MD/DC Awards of Excellence, Award of Excellence, Best Interiors The Hive - BJHA Studio at 1728, Washington, DC

Washington Business Journal, Best Real Estate Deal of 2014 | Best Rehab, 11141 Georgia Avenue, Wheaton, MD

2014

AIA|DC Chapter | Washingtonian Residential Design Award of Excellence, The Hazel River Cabin, Woodville, VA

NAIOP MD/DC Awards of Excellence, Award of Merit - Best Stand Alone Retail Project, Crestview Retail, Landover, MD

2013

AIA Northern Virginia Single Family Residential Design Award of Merit, The Hazel River Cabin, Woodville, VA

Montgomery County Affordable Housing Conference, Design Award for New Construction, The Macedonian, Arlington, VA

2012

AIA|DC Chapter Historic Resources Design Award of Merit, The Hazel River Cabin, Woodville, VA

AIA Potomac Valley Chapter Merit Award for Design Excellence, The Hazel River Cabin, Woodville, VA

Awards

Sixteenth Annual Delta Associates Awards for Excellence
- Best Mid-Atlantic Condominium Conversion, WY 18
Condominiums, Washington, DC

Montgomery County Affordable Housing Conference, Design
Award for New Construction, The Jordan, Arlington, VA

2011

Design Arlington Award of Merit, The Jordan, Arlington, VA

AIA|DC Chapter Presidential Citation in Sustainable Design,
The Hazel River Cabin, Woodville, VA

Virginia Society of the AIA - Historic Resources Honor Award,
The Hazel River Cabin, Woodville, VA

Virginia Society of the AIA - Design Award, The Macedonian,
Arlington, VA

Builders Choice Grand Award - Restoration and Renovation,
The Hazel River Cabin, Woodville, VA

2010

Montgomery County Affordable Housing Conference, Design
Award for New Construction, The Shelton, Arlington, VA

Signatures of Loudoun Design Excellence, Pacesetter Award,
AOL Creative Center 2, Dulles, VA †

2009

AIA|DC Chapter Historic Resources Design Award of
Excellence, Parker Flats at Gage School, Washington, DC

AIA|DC Chapter Architecture Design Award of Merit, The
Shelton, Arlington, VA

AIA|DC Chapter Presidential Citation in Sustainable Design –
The Shelton, Arlington, VA

Residential Architect Design Awards – Adaptive Reuse Merit
Award - Parker Flats at Gage School, Washington, DC

Design Arlington Award of Merit, The Shelton, Arlington, VA

Charles L. Edson Tax Credit Excellence Awards – Metropolitan
Housing - Honorable Mention – The Affordable Housing Tax
Credit Coalition, The Shelton, Arlington, VA

2008

Maryland AIA Award for Design Excellence – Multi Family -
Parker Flats at Gage School, Washington, DC

AIA Northern Virginia Historic Resources Design Award of
Excellence Parker Flats at Gage School, Washington, DC

AIA|DC Chapter | Washingtonian Residential Design Award of
Excellence Parker Flats at Gage School, Washington, DC

Potomac Valley Chapter AIA Citation Award for Design
Excellence - Pershing Court, Silver Spring, MD

District of Columbia Mayor's Awards in Historic Preservation
– Excellence in Design: Restoration/Rehabilitation and New
Construction - Parker Flats at Gage School, Washington, DC

Builders Choice Grand Award – Adaptive Reuse - Parker
Flats at Gage School, Washington, DC

Signatures of Loudoun Design Excellence, Pacesetter Award
- AOL Creative Center 1, Dulles, VA †

NAIOP Maryland/DC Chapter Awards of Excellence, Best
Suburban Renovation - Pershing Court, Silver Spring, MD

2007

Washington Business Journal, Best Real Estate Deals –
Winner, Restoration, Renovation and Adaptive Reuse, Parker
Flats at Gage School, Washington, DC

2006

Virginia Society of the AIA Architecture Award of Merit –
Freddie Mac Headquarters, Pedestrian Bridge, McLean, VA †

2005

Northern Virginia NAIOP Award, Best New Building, High
Rise – FDIC Phase 2 at Virginia Square, Arlington, VA †

Northern Virginia NAIOP Award, Best New Building, Mid Rise
- The MITRE Corporation Headquarters Campus, Building 3
and Pedestrian Bridge, McLean, VA †

GSA National Adopted Best Practices, Security
Implementation into an Urban Project – FDIC Phase 2 at
Virginia Square, Arlington, VA †

2004

James River Chapter AIA Architecture Merit Award - Anthem
Eastern Regional Headquarters, Richmond, VA †

AIA Northern Virginia Architecture Merit Award - Capital One
Financial Corporation Headquarters, McLean, VA †

Fairfax County Exceptional Design Merit Award - The MITRE
Corporation Headquarters, Pedestrian Bridge, McLean, VA †

Washington Business Journal Best Real Estate Deal Award
– Best New Suburban Building, The MITRE Corporation
Headquarters, Building 3, McLean, VA †

† Performed by David T. Haresign, AIA as Principal & Director of Architecture at Ai
†† Performed by David T. Haresign, AIA as Principal at CTHL

Awards

2003

AIA|DC Chapter Presidential Citation in Sustainable Design - Capital One Financial Corporation Headquarters, Phase 1, McLean, VA †

Fairfax County Exception Design Honor Award, Capital One Financial Corporation Headquarters, Phase 1, McLean, VA †

Northern Virginia NAIOP Award, Best New Building, Build to Suit - Capital One Financial Corporation Headquarters, Phase 1, McLean, VA †

American Concrete Institute Award of Excellence, Capital One Headquarters Phase 1 Parking Garage, McLean, VA †

2002

Fairfax County Exceptional Design Award Honorable Mention - 1861 International Drive, McLean, VA †

Fairfax County Exceptional Design Merit Award - The MITRE Corporation Headquarters, Building 2, McLean, VA †

Northern Virginia NAIOP Award - Best New Building - Speculative Mid-Rise, 1861 International Drive, McLean, VA

Northern Virginia NAIOP Award, Best New Building, Build to Suit - The MITRE Corporation Headquarters Campus, McLean, VA †

2001

Northern Virginia NAIOP Award, – Best New Building, Build to Suit - Orbital Sciences Corporation Headquarters, Dulles, VA †

2000

AIA Northern Virginia Architecture Merit Award - Boeing Regional Headquarters, Arlington, VA †

1999

IIDA International Design Award - America Online Headquarters, Creative Center 2, Dulles, VA †

Northern Virginia NAIOP Award, Best New Building – Speculative Mid-Rise - 1861 International Drive, McLean, VA †

Northern Virginia NAIOP Award, Best New Building – Build to Suit - Gieseke & Devrient (G&D America) North American Headquarters, Ashburn, VA †

Tilt-Up Concrete Association Achievement Award - Office Division - America Online Headquarters, Creative Center 1, Dulles, VA †

Virginia Society of the AIA Architecture Award of Excellence - America Online Headquarters, Creative Center 2, Dulles, VA †

AIA Northern Virginia Interior Award of Excellence America Online Headquarters, Creative Center 2, Dulles, VA †

Northern Virginia NAIOP Award of Excellence - Best New Building Build to Suit, America Online Headquarters, Creative Center 2, Dulles, VA †

1998

Virginia Society of the AIA Architecture Award of Excellence - America Online Headquarters, Creative Center 1, Dulles, VA †

AIA Northern Virginia Architecture Award of Excellence - America Online Headquarters, Creative Center 1, Dulles, VA †

AIA|DC Chapter Award of Merit for Interior Architecture - America Online, Creative Center 1, Dulles, VA †

Finalist – Washington Business Journal Best Real Estate Deal Renovation, America Online, Creative Center 1, Dulles, VA †

Northern Virginia NAIOP Award, Best Renovation - America Online, Creative Center 1, Dulles, VA †

1997

Northern Virginia NAIOP Award, Best Renovation - America Online, Creative Center 1, Dulles, VA †

1996

Northern Virginia NAIOP Award, Best Interior Renovation of a Public Space - 1751 Pinnacle Drive, McLean, VA †

1992

Virginia Society of the AIA Architecture Award of Excellence - Tycon Courthouse, McLean, VA ††

AIA|DC Chapter Architecture Award of Merit - Tycon Courthouse, McLean, VA ††

Inform Award, Interiors - Tycon Courthouse, McLean, VA ††

Northern Virginia NAIOP, Best Interior Renovation of a Public Space - Tycon Courthouse, McLean, VA ††

1988

Northern Virginia NAIOP, Best Interior Renovation of a Public Space - 1616 N. Ft. Myer Drive, Arlington, VA ††

1987

Northern Virginia NAIOP, Best Large Office Building - 4900 Seminary Road, Alexandria, VA ††

† Performed by David T. Haresign, AIA as Principal & Director of Architecture at Ai
†† Performed by David T. Haresign, AIA as Principal at CTHL



April 28, 2021

Centennial Award Jury
AIA|DC and the Washington Architectural Foundation
421 7th Street, NW
Washington, DC 20004

Dear Centennial Award Jury,

It is our pleasure to recommend David Haresign FAIA for AIA|DC's highest honor, the Centennial Award. We represent three organizations—University of Virginia School of Architecture Alumni Foundation, the National Building Museum, and the DC History Center—that have each benefited from David's commitment to community service and dedication to his profession, particularly by expanding opportunities in the architecture and design field for women and people of color.

We see David's steadfast volunteer leadership as truly exemplary and his role as a civic leader deserving recognition at the highest level. Collectively, we have known David for over 95 years.

David has served as Trustee of the University of Virginia School of Architecture Foundation Board since 2016. His longstanding commitment to upholding the highest values of our architectural profession is evidenced not only through his award-winning practice, but also through his dedication to mentoring generations of young architects, his ongoing advocacy for our discipline, and tireless service to the profession and to the cultural community.

At the University of Virginia School of Architecture David has been an active contributing member of our academic community and Foundation Board of Trustees for over 15 years, initiating efforts that advance and support excellence in architectural education, and is a leader in ensuring robust paths to practice for graduates entering the field.

David has supported the National Building Museum as a trustee since 2018 and as a member of the Executive Committee since 2020. Boards sometimes struggle to balance financial sustainability and programmatic vision, and David's great contribution to our organization is to provide an even-keeled position on budget—strongly advocating fulfillment of the mission, while maintaining the fiscal integrity of Museum. He is furthermore a regular presence at the Museum, and you can count on him to be in the room for the institution's most important occasions, from exhibition openings to the annual gala.



In addition to David's philanthropic support, his firm, Bonstra | Haresign ARCHITECTS, was a founding sponsor of the Architecture & Design Film Festival in 2018 and has continued its participation since. David has recruited diverse trustees, among them Lisa Delplace from Oehme, van Sweden. In short, the National Building Museum is a significantly better institution because of David's insight, leadership, and personal commitment to inspiring curiosity in the world we design and build.

Lastly, David joined the board of the Historical Society of Washington, D.C., now known as the DC History Center, in 2018, as our home, the Carnegie Library, was undergoing an extensive restoration. Over the course of David's tenure, the DC History Center reopened in partnership with Apple, before undergoing a leadership transition and a year of pandemic. During this period of disruption, David has far exceeded our expectations of trustees. Not only has he been personally philanthropic, he has also actively fundraised from his extensive network and recruited two new trustees, Kyrus Freeman and Ade Heyliger, who both add needed diversity to our board.

He has proved inventive in identifying ways to support our organization, most recently buying advertising in the *Washington History* magazine. He is furthermore a steadfast advocate of diversity and equity at all levels of the organization and always available for help when called upon. Whether it is through his firm or his personal connections, David is creative, bold, and even fearless, about how he can best use all the tools at his disposal to make a positive impact.

It is a testament to David's leadership that all three organizations would come together in this way to support him, especially related to his work in the nonprofit community. It is also worth noting that despite David's extensive professional and volunteer commitments, he still manages to exceed the expectations of all the institutions with which he is involved. We thank you for your consideration of our letter of support for David's nomination for the Centennial Award.

Sincerely,

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Guy Geier FAIA, FIIDA, LEED AP
Managing Partner, FX Collaborative
President, University of Virginia School of Architecture Alumni Foundation



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Dr. Ila Berman

Dean and Edward E. Elson Professor, University of Virginia School of Architecture

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "James G. Davis", with a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

James G. Davis

President and CEO, James G. Davis Construction

2018 – 2020 President, Trustee, National Building Museum

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Laura Brower Hagood

Executive Director, DC History Center

Former Vice President of Development, National Building Museum



April 29, 2021

Great People Awards Jury Chair
c/o Mary Fitch, Hon. AIA Executive Director, AIA|DC
421 7th Street, NW Washington, DC 20004
RE: Nomination of David T. Haresign, FAIA, for the 2021 Centennial Medal

Dear Chairperson:

We write to express our fervent support of David Haresign, FAIA, for the 2021 Centennial Medal. We have each known David for 20- 30 years, and he has elevated our careers, also serving as a tireless advocate for scores of colleagues over the decades. David is an enthusiastic mentor, empowering those around him to excel and achieve their best and highest purpose. As long as we have known him - and long before diversity, equity and inclusion was recognized as a business imperative - David has generously supported his colleagues of every gender, race, and professional level.

David's career has been exemplary, managing interdisciplinary teams on complex and high-profile projects. His cutting-edge focus on workplace solutions has been recognized nationally, and he has led several firms to success in this area, including his own. David has spoken at numerous AIA and industry conferences, leading the profession by sharing his knowledge and insight. In addition, David was an early advocate of an integrated approach to design, working collaboratively across disciplines to eloquently reconcile the relationship between site, exterior and interior architecture, and the human experience. David skillfully works within programmatic, schedule and cost constraints, embracing them as design tools to deliver exceptional value to project stakeholders. He invites all perspectives to the table: from the least to the most experienced, from owner, to tenant, to local officials. He listens, unites viewpoints, and elevates the work through inquiry and inclusiveness.

David has served our profession in numerous capacities, including his term as AIA DC Board President, where he focused on engagement and inclusion. He increased participation on committees, and his outreach strengthened AIA DC's connection to the Northern Virginia and Potomac Valley AIA Chapters. His mentorship attracted younger members to participate and rise to leadership positions within the Chapter. He also started a local chapter of CRAN - the Capital Area Custom Residential Network - that remains highly successful. CRAN operates as a tri-chapter committee, bringing together residential architects to address common issues. David's support was instrumental in the growth and outreach of this committee. Additionally, David has served on the AIA National Convention Advisory Committee, the AIA Host Chapter Committee and the AIA/DC Design Excellence Committee.

David is highly deserving of this honor. Through decades of exceptional and selfless leadership, commitment to our Chapter, and a strong passion for advancing our profession and encouraging others to excel, David has made an indelible mark on our own careers and on our architectural community.

Thank you for your consideration,

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Awards for Great People Jury
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RE: Support for the Nomination of David T. Haresign, FAIA
Centennial Medal

Dear Distinguished Members of the Jury:

It is with great pleasure that we write in support of the nomination of David T. Haresign, FAIA for the Washington Chapter of the American Institute of Architects Centennial Medal. As his immediate four successors as President of the Chapter, we have been witness to- and direct beneficiaries of- David's unparalleled commitment to the cultivation, mentorship, and development of the next generation of leaders. It is through David's steadfast and selfless work over several decades in developing future leaders that he ensures the work of the Chapter in service to our members, our profession, and our community carries on.

Each of us first met David through our affiliation with the Chapter during our early-to-mid-career years. He strongly encouraged us to actively participate in a committee and engage with our colleagues in the work of the Chapter in advancing and elevating the profession. As Chair of the Design Excellence Committee (among his other leadership positions), David led by example in showing us, and all committee members, the way to develop and articulate a strategic vision, build consensus among a diversity of views, and act decisively upon key initiatives. All along the way, he served as our mentor in helping develop our professional skills, foster our unique interests, and climb the ladder of leadership in his footsteps, all with his enthusiastic support.

David has always been a fierce proponent of the Chapter's committees as a vehicle for engaging the membership, accomplishing work from the ground up, and building a pipeline of leadership to sustain the organization. He recognized in each of us our leadership potential and after some time working in the committees, he recruited us individually to join the Board of Directors. Little did we know at the time that we would each rise to serve on the Executive Committee and eventually lead the Chapter as President in succession following David's term in 2013 (we suspect he actually had this all planned-out!). There are countless others David has mentored, too, including many other chapter and committee leaders, new Fellows and Chapter laureates, and leaders of the myriad other allied community organizations David has served.

David's impact on our Chapter, profession, and community extends far beyond merely what he individually championed and accomplished - the growth and flourishing of the Chapter's committees and the elevation of the Design Excellence Awards program to name just a couple of examples. By extension, many of our own initiatives as leaders of the Chapter were in large part borne from and made possible by David's unwavering encouragement of those he mentored. These initiatives include: envisioning a new 10-year Strategic Plan, founding of the Fall Design Fete, welcoming allied organizations to the Board such as the DC Building Industry Association, engaging academia through the Unbuilt Awards Program, establishing the Christopher Kelley Leadership Development Program, and institutionalizing community outreach through a reinvigorated Advocacy Committee.

Of the many initiatives that were identified in the Strategic Plan, grooming the future leadership for the Chapter and its members was identified as a top priority. David was instrumental in identifying and introducing the key leadership for this initiative. He had confidence in their leadership and provided support and guidance in establishing the Christopher Kelley Leadership Development Program (CKLDP). Since its inception in 2014 the CKLDP has graduated 128 diverse scholars from Chapter firms large and small. In 2018,

at AIA Grassroots, the AIA|DC CKLDP was recognized with the AIA CACE Component Excellence Award for Knowledge Sharing Initiatives. Today the program has expanded nationally to seven other Chapters and by this summer will have graduated roughly 600 emerging professionals across the country.

Over the decade plus in which we each have come to know David, he has become an exemplary role model, collaborative colleague, trusted advisor, enthusiastic champion, and dear friend. We know many others whose experience with David is the same. Undoubtedly, we can think of no candidate better qualified than David for this particular award that honors “an architect whose contributions span at least a decade of service to the Chapter, to the community, (and) to the profession” and whose tireless and unselfish efforts have allowed us, and so many others, to benefit.

We wholeheartedly encourage the Jury to select David T. Haresign, FAIA as the 2021 Centennial Medal laureate, bestowing the Chapter’s highest honor on a most exemplary architect, leader, and mentor to all.

Sincerely,



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