

FIRM PROFILE



David T. Haresign, FAIA

Partner

Bonstra | Haresign ARCHITECTS

David Haresign, FAIA is a founding partner of Bonstra | Haresign ARCHITECTS. David is a specialist in large-scale, complex projects, leading project teams and organizations with conceptual clarity, meticulous attention to detail and a commitment to design excellence. He implements diverse project typologies with challenging entitlements, large integrated teams, and tight fiscal constraints. His integrated project delivery achieves iconic design, technical innovation, restoration and re-purposing of old fabric that re-invigorates neighborhoods and communities. Committed to smart growth planning and preservation, David is a socially responsible architect charting a sustainable future. He promotes affordable housing as a basic right and cornerstone of smart growth - retaining less affluent residents in old neighborhoods and housing them in new ones. David engages the public through outreach and pro-bono activism, developing alliances and recruiting through leadership at the AIA and the academy, and exposing the results of his work through awards, publication, exhibitions, and presentations. His projects are widely recognized with over 140 national, regional and local design awards, and

in international and national publications including Urban Land, Residential Architect, Inform, Architecture DC and the Washington Post. David has recently organized and chaired two major, highly successful exhibits at the District Architecture Center focusing on architects' impact on the city – reVISION :: THINKING BIG and reBIRTH :: Washington, DC 50 Years after 1968. His outreach extends to boards of related professional, academic, cultural and community organizations where David serves as a Trustee, Director and leader. He mentors and inspires young architects with individual guidance. David is a sought-after design critic, and a frequent lecturer and panelist on current architecture and practice at noted regional universities and public conferences. At the University of Virginia, David completed his architecture degree in 1976, and studied graduate planning. In 2012, he was elevated to the College of Fellows, one of the American Institute of Architects highest individual honors. David received the 2021 Centennial Medal from AIA|DC, the chapter's highest honor, for distinguished service to the Chapter, community, and profession, and the 2022 DCEAS Architect of the Year award.

LICENSES & REGISTRATIONS

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

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

American Institute of Architects – AIA | DC Washington Chapter of the AIA – Fellows Committee (2013 - Present); Honors Committee Chair (2014 - 2015); Past President, Officer and Director (2009 - 2014); Design Excellence Committee Chair (2009 - 2012); Past Host Chapter 2012 National AIA Convention Committee Co-Chair; Unassigned Member - Northern Virginia + Potomac Valley Chapters

National Building Museum – Board of Trustees, Executive Committee (2019 - Present), Capital Society Member

University of Virginia, School of Architecture Alumni Foundation – Vice President + Nominations Committee (2023 - Present), Trustee (2016 - 2022); Spaces Committee (Founding Member, 2021 - Present)

Cosmos Club Historic Preservation Foundation – President (2021 - Present), Trustee (2014 - Present)

University of Maryland, School of Architecture, Real Estate Development Curriculum, Council of Advisors (2008 - Present)

Historical Society of Washington, DC – Trustee (2018 - Present); Advisory Council (2015 - 2018)

Lambda Alpha International – George Washington Chapter (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 and Speaker

DC Building Industry Association

DC | MD National Association of Industrial and Office Parks – DC Leadership Council (2016)

U.S. Green Building Council

EDUCATION

University of Virginia, Graduate Planning Studies
University of Virginia, Bachelor of Science, Architecture (1976)