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# QUALIFICATIONS

Jonathan Tunsky is a Principal Landscape Architect responsible for the management, design, and detailing of complex landscape architecture and site design projects. Jon has over a decade of technical experience working on a variety of projects. He is also a Certified Playground Safety Inspector.

# ORIGINAL

# SELECTED EXPERIENCE

## **CAPEWELL LOFTS** HARTFORD, CONNECTICUT

Hartford's 1903 Capewell Horse Nail Factory, with its distinctive Romanesque Revival square tower, was renovated into 72 apartments and commercial space. The site was reconstructed to provide parking for residents, as well as much needed open space. Now fully planted, 50 shade trees beautify the area, offset several thousand pounds of carbon annually, and provide much needed shade. Jon was responsible for construction administration, as well as documenting the site for the U.S. Green Building Council LEED Gold Certification.

## LAWN HILL TERRACE STAMFORD, CONNECTICUT

This 150-unit affordable housing development occupies a steeply sloping site with buildings terracing down the hillside. The project adds improved pedestrian circulation including handicap accessible units, plantings, ornamental fencing, and lighting that breaks up what was a heavily paved site. Jon was responsible for construction administration on the first phase of 60 units, and prepared construction documents for phase two.

## LIBERTY PLACE CLINTON, CONNECTICUT

This newly constructed 32-unit building project increases the affordable housing stock in the Town of Clinton. The site plan includes a new parking lot, a large pervious paver terrace, lush plantings, ornamental lighting, and two bioretention basins. As project manager, Jon assisted in the approval process and the development of the funding documents, as well as administering the construction process.

## BERKOWITZ BUILDING **NEW BRITAIN, CONNECTICUT**

This project consists of the renovation of the historic Berkowitz Building and a new building for a total of 32 units, almost 6,000 SF of retail space and a community room. The project is located within walking distance of the New Britain CTfastrak station. The site plan includes a new parking lot, a paver terrace, lush plantings and ornamental lighting. As project manager, Jon assisted in the approval process and the development of the funding documents.



### CREDENTIALS

#### Education

• SUNY College of Environmental Science and Forestry, Bachelor of Landscape Architecture, Minor in Urban Environmental Science

#### Licenses and Certifications

- Landscape Architect
  - Connecticut
  - CPSI

### Training

- AutoCAD Civil 3D 2018
- · Sketch Up

## **Community Service**

- Bishops Corner Neighborhood Association Board Member
- ACE Mentor Program-Mentor

### Awards

- U.S. Green Building Council LEED Gold Certification, Capewell Lofts
- 2018 Connecticut Buildling Congress 1st Place Teaming Award, St. Paul Church Prayer Garden & Campus Green



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# WASHINGTON VILLAGE NORWALK, CONNECTICUT

Washington Village is one of the oldest affordable housing complexes in Connecticut. This project will replace the existing 136-unit apartment buildings with 136 affordable housing units, 67 workforce housing units, and 70 market-rate units in two, three, and four-story buildings. The reconstruction plan called for building apartments above indoor parking as a "flood control" measure to protect from future storms. To Design created the construction documents for the site which includes parking for residents, concrete walks, play equipment and exercise stations, community gardens, extensive plantings, multiple gathering spaces, and special pavement treatments at all building entrances. Phase I of the redevelopment project broke ground in November 2016. As project manager, Jon assisted in the preparation of the construction documents and construction administration.

# CLINTONVILLE COMMONS NORTH HAVEN, CONNECTICUT

This new, 8-unit construction project seeks to increase the affordable housing stock in the North Haven area. The narrow, just over 1.5-acre lot locates the housing on a cul-de-sac in a heavily wooded rural neighborhood. The site plans incorporate rain gardens and overflow parking on grass pavers. Located on a state road, this project required significant coordination with the Department of Transportation. As project manager, Jon assisted in the approval process and the development of the construction documents.





#### Education

Bachelor of Architecture Roger Williams University

#### Licenses

Registered Architect: CT, MA NCARB Certified: #52360

#### Affiliations

National Council of Architectural Registration Boards

American Institute of Architects (AIA)

National Association of Housing & Redevelopment Officials

Connecticut Recreation and Parks Association

U.S. Green Building Council

#### Awards

Recipient of the A.I.A. "Scholar Award"

Roger Williams University Award for
"Excellence In Design"

# Thomas P. Arcari, AIA

Principal-In-Charge

Tom Arcari is a Principal of QA+M Architecture and has 25 years of design experience, specializing in publicly-subsidized, multi-family affordable housing design and working with CHFA, HUD, and the State of Connecticut Department of Economic and Community Development. Tom has executed more than 150 projects funded by HUD and more than 100 projects funded via CHFA. Accordingly, he is highly familiar with their standards of housing project design. Tom partners with clients, stakeholders, consultants, and colleagues to achieve practical solutions to complex, program-driven projects.

#### SELECT PROJECTS

- Willimantic Housing Authority
   Marcella Eastman Terrace
   Willimantic, CT
- Wethersfield Housing Authority
   James Devlin Senior Housing Wethersfield, CT
- + East Hartford Housing Authority Veteran's Terrace East Hartford, CT
- Willimantic Housing Authority
   Hevrin Terrace
   Willimantic, CT
- Rocky Hill Housing Authority Harold J Murphy Apartments
- Milford Housing Authority Foran Towers Senior Housing

Rocky Hill, CT

- Milford, CT

  + Preston Housing Authority
  Lincoln Park Elderly Housing
  Preston, CT
- Willimantic Housing Authority Jonathan Trumbull Terrace Willimantic, CT
- Norwalk Housing Authority Ludlow Commons Norwalk, CT
- Glastonbury Housing
   Authority
   Center Village
   Glastonbury, CT
- Hartford Housing Authority Stowe Village Hartford, CT
- Alfred E. Plant
   Elderly affordable apartments

   West Hartford, CT
- Boulder Brook
   Active senior housing
   Prospect, CT

- Salisbury Affordable Housing Commission
   Sarum Village
   Salisbury, CT
- Enfield Housing Authority
   Ella Grasso Manor
   Enfield, CT
- Enfield Housing Authority Woodside Park Enfield, CT
- Enfield Housing Authority
   Windsor Court
   Enfield, CT
- Waterbury Housing Authority
   William V. Begg Apartments
   Waterbury, CT
- Middlefield Housing Authority Sugarloaf Terrace Middlefield, CT
- + Vernon Housing Authority Court Towers Vernon, CT
- + Essex Place New construction Essex, CT
- Gaffney Place
   Additions + renovations (historic)
   Waterbury, CT
- Middletown Housing Authority Various sites Middletown, CT
- Lawnhill Terrace Revitalization Stamford, CT
- Waterbury Housing Authority
   Oak Terrace
   Waterbury, CT
- Waterbury Housing Authority Springbrook Waterbury, CT

- Waterbury Housing Authority Berkeley Heights Waterbury, CT
- Waterbury Housing Authority Bergin Apartments Waterbury, CT
- + Stamford Housing Authority Various sites Stamford, CT
- New Haven Housing Authority Various sites New Haven, CT
- + Danbury Housing Authority Various sites Danbury, CT
- Bridgeport Housing Authority Gary Crooks Center Bridgeport, CT
- Naugatuck Housing Authority Various sites Naugatuck, CT
- + Simsbury Housing Authority Various sites Simsbury, CT
- Elm Grove Apartments
   Revitalization
   West Hartford, CT
- Stonebridge Estates
  New construction
  West Hartford, CT
- Comstock Community Center Renovations + upgrades Wilton, CT
- Mather Community Center Renovations + upgrades Darien, CT
- + Groton Senior Center Additions + renovations Groton, CT





# Rocco Petitto, AIA

**Project Manager** 

Rocco has nearly 20 years of experience in affordable housing, municipal, mixed-use, commercial, residential, education, and industrial design. He expertly collaborates with clients to find functional and unique design solutions. Rocco applies holistic, sustainable solutions to the built environment through technology, knowledge, and thoughtful application.

Rocco's recent experience includes the design of Sarum Village affordable housing in Salisbury, Connecticut and the LaSalle Road mixed-use development in West Hartford, Connecticut.

#### Education

Bachelor of Science, Architecture University of Hartford

#### Awards

2008 Recipient of "Excellence In Design" Competition, JCJ Architecture

University Regent Award, Phyllis Katz Leadership Award University of Hartford West Hartford, Connecticut

### **Affiliations**

American Institute of Architects (AIA)

## SELECT PROJECTS

- + Salisbury Affordable Housing Commission Sarum Village Salisbury, CT
- + Essex Elderly & Affordable Housing, Women's Institute for Housing & Development Essex Place Essex, CT
- Glastonbury Housing Authority Center Village Glastonbury, CT
- New Britain Housing Authority
   Graham Apartments
   New Britain, CT
- New Britain Housing Authority D'Amato Apartments New Britain, CT
- LaSalle Road
   Mixed-use development (DD)
   Apartments, streetfront retail, offices
   West Hartford Center, West Hartford, CT
- + Patchogue Place
  12 existing units
  1-2 bedroom apartments
  Westbrook, CT
- + Windham Senior + Community Center New construction Windham, CT
- New Britain Community Center New construction New Britain, CT
- Rocky Hill Community + Senior Center Additions + renovations Rocky Hill, CT

- + Hartford Police Athletic League Renovations Hartford, CT
- Visions Building\*
   Mixed-use: spa and salon, retail, + offices
   New construction
   South Windsor, CT
- + Connecticut Municipal Electric Energy Cooperative (CMEEC) Corporate office renovation Norwich, CT
- Durata Therapeutics
   Office fit-out
   Branford, CT
- + GE Energy\*
  Cyber cafe renovations
  Plainville, CT
- Mitchell VW\*
   Conceptual design
   Canton, CT
- \* Indicates work done with previous firms





# Kent McCoy, AIA

Historic Specialist + Project Architect

With more than 35 years of architectural design experience, Kent's body of work ranges from historic renovations and museums, to civic, education, healthcare, residential, campus planning, and more. Kent has won acclaim throughout Connecticut and with nationally recognized educators for his work in school facility design. He has traveled widely in the U.S. and abroad, broadening his understanding of architectural and urban design, and has published a collection of his sketches. Prior to joining QA+M Architecture, Kent was a Principal and Senior Vice President of Smith Edwards McCoy Architects.

Kent's relevant work includes the design-as-new renovation of the historic Hartford Public Library Mark Twain Branch, located within West Middle School in Hartford, CT.

#### Education

Master of Architecture University of Pennsylvania

Bachelor of Fine Arts Colgate University Magna Cum Laude

#### Registrations

Licensed Professional Architect: CT

#### Civic Involvement

Board of Directors, Canton Artists Guild Collinsville River Access Study Committee, Member

#### Memberships

American Institute of Architects AIA Connecticut

Commission on Design, AIA CT

#### SELECT PROJECTS

- + The Hotchkiss Library
  Historic restoration + expansion
  Sharon, CT
- + Loomis Homestead

  Historic renovations + additions
  Windsor, CT
- + The Old State House Historic restoration Hartford, CT
- New Britain Public Library Historic restoration New Britain, CT
- + Colt Memorial Parish House Church of the Good Shepherd Historic restoration Master plan Hartford, CT
- + 54 Ledyard Road
  Historic restoration + addition
  Master planning
  West Hartford, CT
- Brainerd Memorial Library Historic restoration New Britain, CT
- + Hartford Public Library Mark Twain Branch + West Middle School Historic renovate-as-new Hartford, CT
- + Renbrook School + Library Renovation + expansion Master planning West Hartford, CT
- Renbrook Heather Commons Addition to historic building West Hartford, CT
- + Trinity College Long Walk
  Historic renovations + restoration
  Hartford, CT

- + St. Anthony Hall, Trinity College
  Historic interiors + sensitive addition
  Hartford, CT
- Wadsworth Atheneum Historic restoration Capital improvements Master planning Hartford, CT
- M.D. Fox School
   Historic renovate-as-new
   Hartford, CT
- Memorial Boulevard Intradistrict Arts Magnet School Historic renovation Bristol, CT
- + Yale Center for British Art Yale University Restoration + renovations New Haven, CT
- + State Office Building 79 Elm Street Facade + window restoration Hartford, CT
- + Northam Chapel, Cedar Hill Cemetery Historic restoration + renovation Hartford, CT
- Handel Performing Arts Center University of Hartford Adaptive re-use + renovations West Hartford, CT
- Berkman Recital Hall University of Hartford Renovation West Hartford, CT
- Goodwin Hotel
   Facade restoration
   Hartford, CT

- + Cathedral Green Housing Adaptive re-use + rehabilitation Hartford, CT
- + Trinity College Commons
  Renovation
  Hartford, CT
- Millard Auditorium University of Hartford Renovation West Hartford, CT
- Newtown High School Auditorium renovation Newtown, CT
- Museum Academy New construction Bloomfield, CT
- Barrows STEM Academy New construction Windham, CT
- + Breakthrough Magnet School New construction Hartford, CT
- Montessori School New construction Hartford, CT
- + University of Hartford Magnet School New construction Hartford, CT
- Discovery Academy Temporary facility Hartford, CT
- Miss Porter's School Master plan Farmington, CT



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# Top Skills

Traffic Engineering
Transportation Planning
Road Traffic

### Certifications

Professional Engineer
Professional Traffic Operations
Engineer

## Honors-Awards

2017 Outstanding Alumnus Award 2019 ITE Northeastern District Harvey B. Boutwell Award 2011 Outstanding Alumnus Award

### **Publications**

What is the TPCB and why should you get certified.

Not-So-Mysterious Millenials

Roundabout Crazy in the Land of Steady Habits

# Joseph Balskus, P.E., PTOE

Director of Transportation Systems at VHB New Britain

# Summary

Joe has a broad background in the technical design and management of progressive transportation systems and parking projects. He has worked for New England DOT's on traffic signal systems, ITS, roadway/expressway reconstruction projects and traffic management plans. He has also worked on corridor studies for regional planning agencies and dozens of municipalities. He has prepared studies and master plans for the education clients and many of Connecticut's hospitals and Universities. He also understands the private development arena with having secured approvals for dozens of retail and mixed use and TOD projects across southern New England. He has led traffic engineering efforts for master planning efforts for large casinos in CT and MA. He has presented at dozens of public hearings and information meetings providing expert testimony, serving as project manager and supporting project development processes.

Joe is also a leading roundabout designer in southern New England, with several roundabouts under study, design and/or construction in Massachusetts and Connecticut. He is a member of the ITE Roundabout Committee and the TRB Roundabout Committee subcommittee on autonomous vehicles. He presented at the TRB International Roundabout Conferences in April 2014 in Seattle and May 2017 in Green Bay and planned to participate in the cancelled 2020 conference scheduled in Monterrey, CA.

He is an adjunct professor at the University of New Haven, teaching transportation engineering and highway engineering since 2017. He is a Discipline Director for the Transportation Professional Certification Board (TPCB), a national organization overseeing the certification of transportation professionals for design, planning and safety.

He was appointed to the CT Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Board in 2013 and currently serves as Secretary, helping to continue the imposition of complete streets mentality in transportation in CT.

He has written articles for International Parking Institute's The Parking Professional national magazine and New England ITE's Chronicle.

He was the co-chair of the most successful ITE Northeastern District Annual Meeting in 2019 held in May at the Omni Hotel in New Haven, CT.

He is interested in the transformative technologies of autonomous and connected vehicles and follows the daily web based feeds that continue to evolve and reshape the industry.

AHe knows the pedestrian view of the street as well as the bicyclist perspective. He enjoys a good ride on a fat tire bike through the woods, snow and in particular, along the beach.

# Experience

Institute of Transportation Engineers
Vice Chair Roundabout Standing Committee
January 2021 - Present (3 months)

### **VHB**

Director of Transportation Systems May 2017 - Present (3 years 11 months)

Hartford, Connecticut Area

Visionary leader in transportation in southern New England, returned to VHB to further expand and enhance transportation system services. Industry leader in transportation including sophisticated urban traffic signal systems, modern roundabouts, complete streets, and staying on the cusp of understanding autonomous vehicle systems. Furthering the technology in transportation with the use of unmanned aerial system technology for data collection and presentations, as a drone pilot.

Served on several panels/committees in the transportation and parking industry, including ITE Trip Generation 3rd Edition Handbook and authored articles in The Parking Professional and NEITE Chronicle.

Also serves as Secretary of the preeminent Complete Streets advocacy, the Connecticut Bike and Pedestrian Advisory Board. Treasurer of New England Parking Council and Current Chair of ITE Northeastern District, 2017.

Member of ITE Roundabouts Committee and friend of TRB Roundabout Committee, serving as subcommittee co-chair of Autonomous Vehicles.

Attended Northeast Autonomous Vehicle Summit in March 2017.

Passionate for transportation systems, energetic professional, relationship builder and enjoys public presentations and testimonies.

# TRANSPORTATION PROFESSIONAL CERTIFICATION BOARD INC

Discipline Director January 2019 - Present (2 years 3 months) Washington D.C. Metro Area

Proud to continue serving my profession with my election to the preeminent national transportation certification board and looking forward to overseeing the certification of transportation professionals into the future.

http://www.tpcb.org/TPCB\_Board.pdf

University of New Haven
Adjunct Professor
August 2017 - Present (3 years 8 months)
West Haven, CT

Part time instructor for transportation engineering and highway engineer for senior level undergrad students.

CT Bike Ped Advisory Board Secretary December 2013 - Present (7 years 4 months) www.ctbikepedboard.org

Nominated to the Board by the CT Legislature in 2013.

New England Parking Council Board Member April 2013 - April 2020 (7 years 1 month) www.newenglandparkingcouncil.com

Serving through 2019

2019 ITE Northeast District Annual Meeting Meeting Co-Chair January 2018 - May 2019 (1 year 5 months)



Co-Chairing this Transportation meeting of the decade in Connecticut along with a passionate transportation team for the local arrangements committee.

https://ite-ned-annual-meeting.org/

ITE Northeastern District
Past Chair
January 2018 - December 2018 (1 year)
http://northeasternite.org/

Professional association for New England and NY State for transportation professionals and serving through 2018.

CDM Smith
Principal/Client Service Leader
February 2015 - April 2017 (2 years 3 months)
Hartford, Connecticut Area

Developed CDM Smith roundabout market in Connecticut with projects in Glastonbury, Hamden and Branford as well as Maine DOT Roundabout on-call. Presented at May 2017 Transportation Research Board Triennial International Roundabout Conference. Developed CDM Smith urban traffic signal system market in Connecticut.

Managed large State DOT projects including Rehabilitation of 3 miles of Route 2 Expressway in East Hartford, State Project No. 42-317.

Project leader and manager for Heroes' Tunnel Rehabilitation project in Hamden/New Haven/Woodbridge involving studies for a Construction Bypass Tunnel alternative and initial NEPA studies including public involvement.

Developed the CDM Smith Transit Oriented Development market with TOD studies in Bethel, Derby and ongoing Route 8 TOD study.

Tighe & Bond
Director of Traffic and Parking
January 2005 - January 2015 (10 years 1 month)
Tighe & Bond New England

Grew Tighe & Bond's Traffic and Parking Group over the last decade, developing the former 2 person group into a multi-state and multi-office traffic and parking services group. Expanded the firms transportation expertise into transportation planning for several corridor studies for regional planning agencies.

Fuss & O'Neill Senior Project Manager September 1998 - January 2005 (6 years 5 months)

EarthTech
Senior Project Engineer
July 1997 - August 1998 (1 year 2 months)

VHB
Project Engineer
September 1992 - June 1997 (4 years 10 months)
Middletown

Kasper Group Junior Engineer May 1987 - September 1992 (5 years 5 months) Wethersfield

# Education

Central Connecticut State University
Bachelor's Degree, Engineering · (1984 - 1988)

Central Connecticut State University

Candidate for Master of Business Administration - MBA , Business/

Transportation