

David W. Rau, AIA

3north

Career Summary

- 2004-Present Principal
3north, Richmond, Virginia
Architect David Rau has spent his career building, restoring and reinventing great American places. In over 20 years of professional practice, he has reinterpreted numerous national landmarks, often saving them from otherwise certain collapse, with an ability to inject new life and practicality while uplifting history. To do this, he created 3north's storytelling-based "IQ" process (short for Intangible Qualities™) which employs a unique charrette-style event combining elements of a design workshop with team building exercise leading to uncommon results.
- 1998-2004 Principal & President
Rau & Associates, Richmond, Virginia
Founder and sole owner of multidisciplinary firm specializing in hospitality and related design assignments.
- 1991-1998 Principal & Vice President
The Glave Firm, Richmond, Virginia
Principal responsible for architecture, interior design, and graphic design leadership supporting the firm's diverse portfolio in cultural, institutional, hospitality, and residential design.
- 1983-1991 Associate
Hardy Holzman Pfeiffer Associates, New York (now H3 Architecture)
Associate in this prominent international practice of over 200 staff members. Area of responsibility included architecture and interior design for major cultural facilities, performing arts facilities, educational facilities, historic landmark property redevelopments, and high-rise office and housing projects.
- 1985 Architect
Nissadi Associati, Venice, Italy
- 1982 Intern Architect
Skidmore, Owings and Merrill, Chicago, Illinois

Selected Awards

- 2009 National Preservation Award
Bedford Springs, Bedford, Pennsylvania
- 2008 Pennsylvania Historic Preservation Award
Preservation Pennsylvania & the Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission (PHMC)
Bedford Springs, Bedford, Pennsylvania
- 2001 AIGA Honor Award
Barton Creek Resort, Austin, Texas
- 2000 AIA Honor Award
Island house Conference Center, Daufuskie Island, South Carolina
- 1998 Interiors Magazine Annual National Design Awards Program
The Homestead 1766, Hot Springs, Virginia

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Education

- 1983 B.Arch. with Honors
Ball State University, Muncie, Indiana
- 1982 B.S. Environmental Science with Honors
Ball State University, Muncie, Indiana

Service and Professional Affiliations

- Ongoing American Institute of Architects
James River Chapter
- Current Curriculum Advisory Committee
School of Engineering, Agriculture & Mechanical Technologies
J. Sargent Reynolds Community College, Richmond, Virginia
- 2000 Hotel Design and Development
Harvard Graduate School of Design Executive Education
- 1985 Architectural Registration, New York & NCARB Certification
Reciprocity established in Virginia, New Jersey, and Illinois

Publications

General Media

- "Spring Awakening", American Spa, January 2008.
- "A Storied Hotel's Second Chance", Common Ground: Preserving our Nation's Heritage, Summer 2008.
- "Restorations", Hospitality Design, August 2008.
- "Springs Eternal", Hotel Design, July/August 2008.
- "Springs Eternal", Sports Illustrated, May 12, 2008.
- "Resurrecting a Legacy", R Home, December 2007.
- "Restoration by the Book", The Washington Post, November 15, 2007.
- "Behold the \$120 million beauty of Bedford Springs Resort", USA Today, July 13, 2007.
- "The Past is Present at an Old Beauty of a Spa", The Baltimore Sun, November 18, 2007.
- "Spring Opens", The Bedford Gazette, July 13, 2007.
- "Annual National Design Awards", Interiors Magazine, June 1998.