

ANDREW NORMAND

HARMONY FOR HUMANITY AND NATURE

I have a strong passion for landscape architecture and a commitment to creating sustainable environments that harmoniously blend nature with the human experience. My degree from the Academy of Art University, combined with hands-on experience, has given me expertise in site analysis, program development, rendering techniques (both digital and hand-drawn), and construction documentation, enabling me to effectively bring projects to completion.

Throughout my studies, I participated in competitions, earned awards, and was featured in the school's "Spring Show" for my design work. In addition, my internship and work with a landscape architecture firm provided valuable experience in the commercial, public, and private sectors, emphasizing the connection between academic principles and industry demands. I aspire to continue merging theory with practice, achieving harmony between humanity and nature.

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EXPERIENCE

2024-present

Robert Taft and Associates

ASSOCIATE DESIGNER

- Draft conceptual renderings in ACAD and document for presentation to clients.
- Provide 3D renderings of concept design and presentation package including images and video animations.
- Provide finished CD packages and technical drawings for commercial developments and private residences. i.e. construction, plant, irrigation and lighting plans/details/spec.,
- Drafted site specific details such as outdoor kitchens, patio covers, and water features.
- Communicate with governing agencies for submittal of construction documents and revise as necessary to obtain approval.

2019-2023

Sonshine Landscape Co.

PROJECT MANAGER

- Meet with prospective clients on sales calls and develop a program and yard design within a 1 to 2 hour consultation, with the goal of leaving with a signed contract. SketchUp was used for presentation and estimation.
- Oversaw installation and procurement through coordination with crews, subcontractors and maintaining constant client communication with daily site visits.

TECHNICAL SKILLS

Concept/Sketching

AutoCAD

Rhino/Sketchup

Twinmotion/Enscape

Adobe Creative

Microsoft Office

ACHIEVEMENTS

2024

[SF FLOWER & GARDEN SHOW](#)

Bronze Medal & APLD Award

2023

TOWER AT HWY 14

Buildner Competition - Student

EDUCATION

2021-2025 (May)

Academy of Art University

MA LANDSCAPE ARCH.

- Designed as a LAAB accredited program, the Academy of Art University develops inspired and informed designers by developing proficiencies in:
- Site-specific and data driven design through a site-inventory and analysis and/or post occupancy evaluation.
- Program development through practical design theory and philosophy of humanity in nature.
- Technical competency in hand and digital rendering.
- Presenting projects under rigorous criticism.

2014-2018

University of Redlands

BS BUSINESS

- Developed basic and advanced business skill such as:
- Accounting, marketing and business communication.
- Concluded with a capstone in which I produced a full business plan for a unique online brewing experience, in which recipes and or flavor profiles could be custom chosen and then brewed and shipped to your house or business. Based on a "Contract Brewer" business model.

PERSONAL SKILLS

- Communication - Ability to share information clearly and effectively, both in speaking and writing.
- Problem-Solving - The aptitude towards finding issues, analysing situations, and creating effective solutions.
- Teamwork - Experience working with others to reach shared goals.
- Adaptability - Adjusts to new challenges, learns quickly, and stays flexible in changing situations.
- Time management - Prioritizes tasks, meets deadlines, and manages several responsibilities efficiently.
- Attention to Detail - Focuses on small details to ensure accuracy and quality in work produced.

REFERENCES

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