

SHONDA WANG

Shonda is an Urban Designer and Planner at Urban Strategies and has a range of experience in downtown renewal, large-scale park, waterfront, institutional and urban regeneration projects. With a background in social work and community development, Shonda has developed a particular interest in the participatory process of planning and design and is experienced in facilitating public workshops and design charettes with multi-stakeholder groups.

Shonda is currently Project Manager and a Designer for the Alexandra Park Revitalization Plan in downtown Toronto for Toronto Community Housing. She is responsible for coordinating a complex planning and design process with a multi-disciplinary team of planners, designers, transportation, environmental and servicing consultants, while preparing an Official Plan Amendment and Rezoning Application for the study area. In a design capacity, Shonda is also responsible for composing and graphically articulating the Design Guidelines for the Alexandra Park project.

Shonda recently completed the master plan for the Highland Area Community Brownfield Opportunity Area, a 500 hectare site in Niagara Falls, New York. As the urban designer for the project, Shonda was responsible for developing a comprehensive design plan that was responsive to long-term municipal objectives and the community's vision, and grounded within an economic and environmental analysis for the re-purpose of the brownfield lands.

EDUCATION

2002

MSc City Design & Social Science
London School of Economics and
Political Science,
London, UK

1998

Bachelor of Social Work (BSW)
University of British Columbia,
Vancouver, BC

PROFESSIONAL BACKGROUND

2007- Present	Urban Designer, Urban Strategies Inc., Toronto, Ontario
2003-2007	Project Manager, EDA Collaborative Inc., Toronto, Ontario
2000-2001	Public Speaker, SafeTeen, British Columbia
1994-2001	Regional Youth Coordinator for Vancouver, Richmond & The Sunshine Coast, Ministry of Attorney General, British Columbia

SELECTED PROJECT EXPERIENCE

2010- present	Etobicoke Centre Public Realm and Streetscape Plan, Toronto, Ontario
2010- present	Alexandra Park Revitalization Plan, Toronto, Ontario
2010	Mayfield West 2 Master Plan, Town of Caledon, Ontario
2009	Downtown Design Strategy and Secondary Plan, Guelph, Ontario
2008- 2009	Highland Brownfield Opportunity Area Nomination Document, Niagara Falls, New York
2008	Baker Street Urban Design Study, Guelph, Ontario
2008	Ministry of Public Infrastructure Renewal Places to Grow Youth Engagement Charette, Guelph, Ontario
2007-2008	Guelph Market Place Strategic Urban Design Plan, Guelph, Ontario
2007	Yonge Street Streetscape Master Plan, Toronto, Ontario
2004-2007	Mayfield West Community Design Plan, Town of Caledon, Ontario
2005-2006	Grange Park Landscape Revitalization Strategy, Toronto, Ontario
2004-2007	Vaughan Corporate Centre Streetscape and Open Space Master Plan, Vaughan, Ontario
2006	Burlington Beachway Park Master Plan, Burlington, Ontario

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CURRICULUM VITAE

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2005-2006	Sunnybrook and Womens College Health Sciences Centre Landscape Master Plan, Toronto, ON
2004	King Street West Streetscape Master Plan, Hamilton, ON
2003-2004	Federal Green Space Lands Master Plan for the Pickering Lands Site, Pickering, ON
2003	Hespeler Village River Activation Master Plan, Cambridge, ON

SELECTED AWARDS

2007	Ontario Professional Planners Award of Excellence in Planning and Urban Design Mayfield West Community Design Plan
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PROFFESIONAL AFFILIATIONS

Registered Professional Planner; Member, Canadian Institute of Planners

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