

Michael Simonsen

M.A., Landscape Architect, Garden Historian

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Date of birth 05.07.1971



RESEARCH INTERESTS

Historic cultural landscapes in relation to architecture and art
history and conservation management of gardens and designed landscapes
sustainability of planting and building materials for conservation issues

SPECIAL QUALIFICATIONS

management and direction of interdisciplinary workgroups
planning and directing of development processes
process analysis, plantation design, historical research

EDUCATION

École Pratique des Hautes Études, Paris / Technische Universität Dresden

Ph.D. candidate, history of art, 2012 – present

research topic: The holistic approach to planning on the villas of the 16th century; The creation of a unity comprised of landscape, deer park, gardens and house as fundamental principle and its application in France and Germany.

University of Greenwich

Master of Arts, Garden History, 2010 – 2012

research topic: The Designed Landscape at Wollaton. Yesterday, Today and Tomorrow.

Bildungswerk OST-WEST Dresden

appraiser for landscape gardening, 2001 – 2001

Bauindustrieverband Sachsen, Dresden

quality manager for DIN EN ISO 9000 ff, 1995 – 1995

Fachschule für Gartenbau Dresden – Pillnitz

Technician, Landscape Engineering, 1993 – 1995

VEB Grünanlagen Erfurt

apprenticeship, landscape gardener, 1988 – 1990

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

acting partner, Simonsen Freianlagen FP GmbH, Dresden

January 2003 - present (13 years 3 months)

owner of a trading company at Simonsen, Dresden

November 1998 - January 2004 (5 years 3 months)

self-employed site supervisor for inner-city projects in landscape architecture, Simonsen Freianlagen Dresden

July 1996 - January 2003 (6 years 7 months)

site supervisor building project Berufsförderungswerk Dresden, Planning Group Boyer Duisburg

August 1995 - October 1996 (1 year 3 months)

construction supervisor, Chistian Boehme Landscape Construction, Freital

July 1995 - August 1995 (2 months)

charge hand and landscape gardener, E. Nuppeney GmbH & Co. KG, Koblenz

1991 - 1993 (2 years)

landscape gardener, Wolfgang Ruehm, Bad Harzburg

1990 - 1991 (1 year)

HONOURS AND AWARDS

2012 Master thesis - Distinction

2006 BSVI-Medaille, award for the reconstruction and design of the royal avenue „Schlossallee“, Hunting Castle Moritzburg, Dresden

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

since 2006 landscape architect at Architecture Association of Saxonia, Nr. 4661

since 1999 member of FLL, Society for Landscape Research, Development & Construction

since 1999 sustaining member, Association of Saxon Landscape Firms Dresden

2007 - 2010 council of the Saxon Kindergarden Contest, Saxon Ministry of Social Affairs

2004 - 2007 collaborator, FLL-workgroup on topping material for garden paths and gravel walks

1995-2010 council of the Saxon Schoolgarden Contest, Saxon Ministry of Education

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