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Dirk Sijmons
Landscape Architecture and
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Advances in Geographic Information Science and Technology." She is Associate Editor of Travel Behaviour and Society, and an editorial board member of the Journal of Transport Geography, Applied Geography, and Geographical Analysis. She has made outstanding contributions to geographic information science and geography, especially in developing geocomputational algorithms for implementing space time accessibility measures that are sensitive to individual differences, 3D interactive geovisualization, network-based 3D topological data models, GIS-based intelligent emergency response systems (GIERS), the protection of geoprivacy through geographical masks, and computational-process modeling of activity-travel decisions.

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Matthew holds landscape architecture degrees from the Harvard University Graduate School of Design (MLA II) and from the College of Social and Behavioral Sciences at the University of Massachusetts Amherst (BSLA). His distinguished academic record includes Certificates of Honor from the American Society of Landscape Architects at both institutions. Prior to starting his practice in 2004, he worked for the renowned firm Reed Hilderbrand Associates where he contributed to dozens of nationally celebrated design projects.

Matthew's gardens have been widely published in New England Home, Design New England, Architectural Digest, The Designer, and Garden Design Magazine. His firm was named "Best of Boston Home" by Boston Home Magazine in 2013 and 2016 and "Best of Houzz" by Houzz.com for 2013, 2014, 2015, and 2016. In April of 2013, Matthew was also named a 2013 "Five Under Forty" award winner by New England Home Magazine, the first landscape architect to receive the honor.

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heightening our understanding of the world around us. As an artist and academic, her research and creative work focus on public art as a medium to experiment with innovative materials, transform urban landscapes, and engage communities.

Carolina's work has been recognized by the BSLA Western Massachusetts chapter, and has been displayed in the National Park Service's "100 Years of Arts in the Parks." Some of her most recent work includes "High Tide," a kinetic temporary installation on the RFK Greenway in Boston that helps visualize the potential future flooding due to projected sea level rise, and her "Photoluminescent Labyrinth" which demonstrated the application of self-illuminating materials to create engaging outdoor spaces.

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Her research interests encompass two broad areas of the environment: 1) factors that affect human health in the built environment, and 2) issues affecting landscape assessment, regional planning, landscape identity, and resource protection. Current work has tended to focus on design theory affecting highly vulnerable populations like dementia patients, stoke victims, or individuals subjected to traumatic brain injury. However, work continues on land use issues in rural and urban areas, including visual management, environmental knowing, place identity, farmland preservation, and spatial orientation in unfamiliar environments.

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Victoria Basolo, Ph.D., AICP, is an Associate Professor in the Department of Planning, Policy, and Design at the University of California, Irvine (UCI) and affliated faculty for the Program in Demographic and Social Analysis. Her research interests include housing and economic development policy, intergovernmental relations, urban politics, public choice theory, institutional theory, disaster preparedness, and regionalism. Her work has been funded by the National Science Foundation, California Policy Research Center, the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, the National Center for the Revitalization of Central Cities, as well as local governments and nonprofit organizations.

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**Dirk Sijmons** (1949) Worked at several Ministries and the State Forestry Service (1977-1989). In 1990 he was one of the founders of H+N+S Landscape-architects. H+N+S received the Prince Bernard Culture award in 2001. In 2002 he received the Rotterdam-Maaskant award. His book publications in English are = Landscape (1998), Greetings from Europe (2008), Landscape and Energy (2014) & Moved Movement, (2015). Sijmons was appointed first State Landscape Architect of the Netherlands (2004-2008). He held the chair of Environmental Design (2008-2011) and that of Landscape Architecture (2011-2015) at the TU-Delft. Dirk Sijmons was the curator of IABR--2014 themed Urban-by-Nature.

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