

Lauren Wheeler
Principal & Landscape Designer

Professional landscape designer, arborist, project manager, and consultant with over twenty years of experience. Utilizes extensive knowledge of arboriculture, horticulture, integrated-pest-management, and site analysis to design and implement sustainable low-maintenance landscapes. Award winning projects range from large retirement communities to small detail-rich Georgetown gardens.

Work Experience

Natural Resources Design, Inc., Washington, DC 1999-2006
Principal, Landscape Designer, Arborist & Project Manager

- Designed master plans for residential retirement communities, apartment buildings, private estates, and residences.
- Coordinated sub-contractors and managed installation of complex residential and commercial projects.
- Consulted with landscape designers and contractors on arboricultural, horticultural, technical, irrigation, water features, and hardscape topics.

Wysteria Landscapers, Inc., Washington, DC 1989-1999
Principal

- Managed landscape design/build firm with exclusive residential clientele grossing \$300K + per year.
- Supervised as many as 10 employees to create high-quality landscapes and work environments.
- Designed and installed residential master plans including decks and patios, walkways and driveways, ponds and waterfalls, walls and fences, grading and naturalized plantings.
- Provided specialized gardening and irrigation services to clients.

Mark Willcher & Company, Glen Echo, MD 1987-1989
Designer, Plant Buyer & Subcontractor Manager

- Collaborated with design team to create award-winning residential projects.
- Managed and coordinated all subcontractors such as masons and electricians.
- Purchased and transported plants and materials.

Education

Master of Arts, Landscape Design, Conway School of Landscape Design, Conway, MA. 2003
Completed intensive, project-oriented graduate program emphasizing ecological design, site analysis, and communication through graphics, writing, and public presentation.

Professional School of Irrigation, Manassas, VA., Certificate 1988

Bachelor of Arts, Political Science, University of Wisconsin, Madison, WI. 1984

Memberships

Association of Professional Landscape Designers
Chesapeake Conservation Landscaping Council – Steering Committee
Landscape Designers Group – Board Member
Ecological Landscape Association – National Governance Board
International Society of Arboriculture – Certified Arborist #MA-4371A

Chain Bridge Road Project

BOARD OF ZONING ADJUSTMENT
District of Columbia

CASE NO. 17309
EXHIBIT NO. 144

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List of Selected Projects

Residential Communities

Merry-Go-Round Farms, Potomac, MD

Site development plan and design guidelines for a 220 Ac residential development located adjacent to the C&O Canal and overlooking the Potomac River. The site features 3 lakes, several natural springs and 5 streams which feed the canal. Great care and planning went into the design, layout, and implementation of roadways as well as home sites and lighting so as to maintain the site's natural ecosystems.

Rivergate, Woodbridge, Virginia (Natural Resources Design, Inc. & Portico, Inc.)

Developed comprehensive landscape plan for the latest IDI Corporation project. Created landscape and planting plan for new gateway community of high-density residential units on 13 acres along Occoquan River. Contact: Carlos Cecchi at IDI Corporation

Leisure World, Lansdowne, Virginia (Portico, Inc.)

Created the landscape master plan, installation plans and documents for The Magnolias and Community Center at a senior residential complex.

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Contact: John Cecchi at Leisure World

Cabots Point Cluster, Reston, Virginia (Natural Resources Design, Inc.)

Evaluated existing conditions and trees and created a lakefront and hillside stabilization master plan for a cluster association. The plan addresses lakeshore and hillside stabilization, minimizing problems associated with Canadian geese, homeowners' access to the lakeshore, and plantings along the hillside and lakeshore. Contact: Bill King (703) 860-9565

City of Takoma Park, Takoma Park, Maryland (Natural Resources Design, Inc.)

Designed rain gardens for Forest Park in conjunction with Friends of Sligo Creek. Educated and orchestrated community participation of installation and maintenance of the gardens to encourage use of residential rain gardens. Contact: Ed Murtagh (202) 365-6526

Barb Neal List of Properties (while working at John Shorb Landscaping, Inc.)

National Foreign Affairs Training Center

Eisenhower Executive Office Building

Environmental Protection Agency

Department of Energy

National Building Museum

Department of Justice, Main Building

Internal Revenue Service, Main Building and New Carrollton Building

National Archives

Department of State

Nuclear Regulatory Commission