

EDUCATION

1990	MDes, Graduate School of Design, Harvard University, Cambridge, USA
1985	BArch, School of Architecture, Zagreb University, Zagreb, Croatia
1981	European Summer School of Arts and Languages (ESSALO), Oxford, England

WORK HISTORY

1997 – Present	NAC Architecture, Seattle, WA, Design Leader
1995 – 1997	Streeter and Associates Architects, Seattle, WA
1995 – 1997	Streeter Dermanis Architects, Seattle, WA
1986 - 1989	"Hidroelektra – design bureau", Zagreb, Croatia

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

2017 – Present	Affiliate Professor, University of Washington, Seattle, WA
	College of Built Environmen

VISITING CRITIC

2005 - Present	University of Washington, Seattle, WA
	College of Built Environment

SUMMARY STATEMENT

Boris' designs have elevated an essential civic quality by synthesizing innovative experiential, programmatic, and sustainable aspects of architecture. His concern for healthier, inspiring environments is a major driver in his approach, including biophilic principles that bring the benefit of a relationship with nature. Boris' work is consistently recognized with design awards on national and international levels.

REGISTRATIONS

Licensed Architect, State of Washington





Highlights of 2023/2022 Accomplishments

AWARDS

AlA Washington Council Civic Design Award of Merit: Wing Luke Elementary School, Seattle, WA

IIDA Northern Pacific INAwards Best in Category for INeducation: Wing Luke Elementary School, Seattle, WA

Learning By Design Citation Award of Excellence: Mount Si High School, Snoqualmie, WA

PRESENTATIONS

EDspaces, Charlotte, NC: Co-presenter with Dr. Page Dettman of MeTEOR Education Lecture: "Balancing the Art and Science of Planning Schools and Pedagogy: Immeasurable and Measurable Factors."

A4LE Whole Child Symposium, Washington DC: Co-presenter with Dr. Page Dettman of MeTEOR Education *Lecture: "Intersecting Pedagogy and Architecture to Foster Sense of Belonging."*

A4LE LearningSCAPES, San Antonio, TX: Co-presenter with Dr. Page Dettman of MeTEOR Education *Lecture: "Design for Equity: What Does it Look Like?"*

EDspaces, Portland, OR: Co-presenter with Dr. Page Dettman of MeTEOR Education Lecture: "Design for equity: What Does it Look Like?"

PUBLICATIONS

World Architecture Review, Architectural Design and Research Institute of Shenzhen University, China Feature Article: "Profile of NAC Architecture as K12 Design Firm."

Architectural Record

Continuing Education: "Climate Adaptation" with Mount Si High School, by Joann Gonchar, FAIA.

NATIONAL AIA DESIGN AWARDS

2017 Award of Merit, AIA CAE (Committee on Architecture for Education), Educational Facility Design Awards

Cherry Crest Elementary School

2012 Award of Excellence, AIA CAE (Committee on Architecture for Education), Educational Facility Design Awards *Ardmore Elementary School*

2012 Citation, AIA CAE (Committee on Architecture for Education), Educational Facility Design Awards *Riverview Elementary School*

2010 Award of Excellence, AIA CAE (Committee on Architecture for Education) (Lead juror Tom Kundig) The Cathcart Site (Including Little Cedars Elementary and Glacier Peak High School)







REGIONAL AIA AND IIDA DESIGN AWARDS

2022 Best In Category Award, INeducation, IIDA Northern Pacific, INawards *Wing Luke Elementary School*

2011 Honor Award, AlA Northwest and Pacific Region (Lead Juror: Kengo Kuma) *The Cathcart Site (Including Little Cedars Elementary and Glacier Peak High School)*

STATE AIA DESIGN AWARDS

2022 Merit Award, AIA Washington Council, Civic Design Awards *Wing Luke Elementary School*

2019 Energy in Design Award, AIA Seattle Honor Awards for Washington Architecture *Hazel Wolf K-8 ESTEM School*

2016 Merit Award, AlA Washington Council, Civic Design Awards *Snohomish High School*

2016 Honorable Mention, AIA Washington Council, Civic Design Awards *Rainforest Arts Center*

2015 Citation Award, AlA Washington Council, Civic Design Awards *Cherry Crest Elementary School*

2012 Citation Award, AlA Washington Council, Civic Design Awards *Ardmore Elementary School*

2012 Citation Award, AIA Washington Council, Civic Design Awards *Riverview Elementary School*

2010 Merit Award, AlA Washington Council, Civic Design Awards

The Cathcart Site (Including Little Cedars Elementary and Glacier Peak High School)

2010 Citation Award, AIA Washington Council, Civic Design Awards *Eastgate Elementary School*

INTERNATIONAL DESIGN AWARDS AND RECOGNITION

2021 James D. MacConnell Award Finalist, A4LE (Association for Learning Environments) *Mount Si High School*

2018 Future Projects: Education Award Finalist, WAN (World Architecture News) *Mount Si High School*

2017 James D. MacConnell Award Finalist, A4LE (Association for Learning Environments *Hazel Wolf K-8 E-STEM School*

2016 James D. MacConnell Award Finalist, A4LE (Association for Learning Environments) *Cherry Crest Elementary School*

2015 Second place for the Future Projects in Education, World Architecture News (WAN) Awards *Hazel Wolf K-8 E-STEM School*

2012 Project of Distinction, CEFPI (Council of Facility Planners International), School Planning & Architectural Exhibition Awards *Riverview Elementary School*

2012 James D. MacConnell Award Finalist A4LE (Association for Learning Environments) *Snohomish Elementaries (Including Machias and Riverview Elementary Schools)*

2011 Finalist, International Design Awards (IDA) *Ardmore Elementary School*







NATIONAL PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS' DESIGN AWARDS

2012 Grand Prize, National School Board Association (NSBA), Exhibition of School Architecture

NATIONAL PROFESSIONAL PUBLICATIONS DESIGN AWARDS

2022 Citation of Excellence, Learning By Design *Mount Si High School*

2017 Grand Prize, Learning By Design *Hazel Wolf K-8 E-STEM School*

2015 Crow Island School Citation, American School and University *Cherry Crest Elementary School*

Significant Awards, Honors & Recognition

2014 Grand Prize, Learning By Design *Cherry Crest Elementary School*

2012 Grand Prize, Learning By Design *Riverview Elementary School*

2011 Grand Prize, Learning By Design *Ardmore Elementary School*

2011 Grand Prize, Learning By Design *First Creek Middle School*

2011 Crow Island School Citation,

American School and University, Educational Interiors Showcase Oak Harbor High School

2010 Citation of Excellence, Learning By Design *Eastgate Elementary School*

2010 Gold Citation, American School and University, Educational Interiors Showcase *Glacier Peak High School*







REGIONAL PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS' DESIGN AWARDS

2019 Project of Distinction, Association for Learning Environments Pacific Northwest Region (A4LE PNW) Pinnacle Award, *Bennett Elementary School*

2018 Project of Distinction, Association for Learning Environments Pacific Northwest Region (A4LE PNW), Pinnacle Award, *Hazel Wolf K-8 E-STEM School*

2016 INstory Award, IIDA Northern Pacific Chapter, INawards, *The Rainforest Arts Center*

2015 Project of Recognition, CEFPI (Council of Facility Planners International) *Cherry Crest Elementary School*

STATE PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS' DESIGN AWARDS

2017 Polished Apple Award, CEFPI (Council of Facility Planners International) Washington Chapter, Polished Apple & Pinnacle Awards *Hazel Wolf K-8 E-STEM School*

2012 Polished Apple Merit Award, CEFPI (Council of Facility Planners International) Washington Chapter, Polished Apple & Pinnacle Awards *Riverview Elementary School*

2012 Honor Award, Masonry Institute of Washington, Excellence Awards in Masonry *Riverview Elementary School*

Experiential Quality Programmatic Innovations ☐ Sustainable Design Strategies EDspaces, Charlotte, NC: Co-presenter with Dr. Page Dettman of MeTEOR Education Lecture: "Balancing the Art and Science of Planning Schools and Pedagogy: Immeasurable and Measurable Factors." 2022 A4LE Whole Child Symposium, Washington DC: Co-presenter with Dr. Page Dettman of MeTEOR Education Lecture: "Intersecting Pedagogy and Architecture to Foster Sense of Belonging." A4LE LearningSCAPES, San Antonio, TX: Co-presenter with Dr. Page Dettman of MeTEOR Education Lecture: "Design for Equity: What Does it Look Like?" EDspaces, Portland, OR: Co-presenter with Dr. Page Dettman of MeTEOR Education Lecture: "Design for equity: What Does it Look Like?" Design for High Quality Learning Space conference, Hangzhou, China Invited to Present 2021 ΝΛϹ Lecture: "Intersection of Architecture and Pedagogy – Helping Social Emotional Learning" A4LE LearningScapes Conference, Denver: Co-presenter with Dr. Page Dettman of MeTEOR Education Lecture: "Linking Educational Environments and Experiences for Prosocial Learning and Collaboration" A4LE LearningScapes Conference, Co-Creation: Co-presented with Dr. Page Dettman of MeTEOR Education Lecture: "Pro-Social Learning Ecosystems by Design" Beautiful School Construction of Basic Education, Invited to Present, YunCheng, Shanxi Province, China Educational Equipment Forum, Invited to Present, Shanghai, China Theme: "Learning Space and Future School" A4LE LearningScapes Conference, Co-Creation, Anaheim, CA (co-presented with Page Dettman of 2019 MeTEOR Education) Lecture: "From Large Scale to Human Scale: Learning from neuroscience to enhance school experience for all users" Beautiful School Construction Conference, Qingdao, China Lecture: "Designing for Psychology: Importance of informal spaces" **2019** Architectural Record Webinar on School Security Lecture: "School Safety: Proactive design strategies"

KEY DESIGN POINTS EMPHASIZED IN PRESENTATION

A4LE LearningScapes Conference, Chicago (co-presented with Christine Benita of Environmental STEM in Seattle Public Schools) Lecture: "Environmental STEM in an Urban Context" Bods Sedar, SNA Design Principal NAC Beautiful School Construction Conference, Suzhou, China Lecture: "Project-Based Learning: An Interdisciplinary Approach to Achieving Deeper Learning" BEED Learning Space Designer & Developer Summit, Beijing, China 从大尺度到人体尺度" Lecture: "From Large Scale to Human Scale: How Learning from Biophilia Enhances the Campus Experience m Large Scale to Human Scale for All Students" 2018 International Living Future Institute+Nature Conservancy, Celebrating Cascadia: Summer Biophilic Design Speaker Series, Seattle, WA Lecture: "Biophilia: Architecture and Landscape" A4LE Outdoor Learning Environments, Hazel Wolf K-8 ESTEM School Educational Symposium, Seattle, WA Lecture: "Inspiring Curiosity: The Educational and Developmental Benefits of Environmental Learning" **2017** A4LE LearningScapes Conference, Global Innovations in Place, Atlanta, Georgia, (co-presented with Lauren Scranton and Laura Kazmierczak of NAC Architecture) Lecture: "Inspired By Design" 2017 EDspaces Conference, Kansas City, Missouri, (co-presented with Lauren Scranton and Laura INSPIRED BY DESIGN Elevating experiential quality Kazmierczak of NAC Architecture) Lecture: "Inspired By Design" **ED**spaces NΛC 2017 BEED Learning Space Designer & Developer Summit, Shanghai, China Lecture: "Seriously Cool Spaces: The Future of Learning-Centered Built Environments" Beautiful Campus Construction of Basic Education, Hangzhou, China Lecture: "Inspired Learning: Proven Ways to Improve Student Engagement" **2017** Seattle International Architecture Forum, Seattle, Washington Panel moderator for a discussion on the experience of working in the international arena. 2016 A4LE LearningScapes Conference, Revolutions in Learning, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania Lecture: "Cherry Crest Elementary"

KEY DESIGN POINTS EMPHASIZED IN PRESENTATION

Programmatic Innovations

Experiential Quality

As one of the 2016 James D. MacConnell Finalists, the lecture focuses on Cherry Crest Elementary and explores how a standard elementary school program combined with a unique site and an

engaged community resulted in an exceptional learning environment.

☐ Sustainable Design Strategies

KEY DESIGN POINTS EMPHASIZED IN PRESENTATION

■ Experiential Quality

■ Programmatic Innovations

☐ Sustainable Design Strategies



2016 A4LE Webinar, (co-presented with Lauren Scranton, MA) Webinar: "Get Out! Benefits and Opportunities of Outdoor Learning"

This educational webinar examines and challenges traditional teaching methods through each of these distinct lenses: the architect, the educational planner, and the teacher.

2016 "Louis Kahn: The Power of Architecture," Bellevue Art Museum, Bellevue, Washington, (moderator) Panel Discussion: "In the Pursuit of Architectural Essence—The Thought Process of Louis Kahn"



2015 Association for Learning Environments (A4LE formerly CEFPI), Washington Chapter Conference, Art and Culture: History, Community, Classroom, Marysville, Washington, (co-presented with Kyle McLeod and Tammy Jones)

Lecture: "Interpreting Schools' Community, History and Culture through Design"

This lecture focuses on how educational facilities are an essential component of building a successful relationship between school districts and their support communities. It examines responsiveness to community concerns on a variety of projects from the point of view of an educator, a school district representative and an architect.





2015 A4LE LearningScapes Conference, 'Outside Out, Influences from the Outside,' San Diego, California, (co-presented with Lauren Scranton and Christine Benita)

Lecture: "Get Out! Benefits and Opportunities of Outdoor Learning"

This lecture explores the benefits of taking teaching and learning beyond the traditional classroom and school site. This approach is examined through three distinct lenses: education, researcher, teacher and architect.



2014 Society of Architectural Historians (SAH) international study tour, Croatia, Montenegro, and Bosnia & Hercegovina, Europe

"Croatia at Crossroads of Time and Space", professional tour leader, with title of the three lectures below.

The three lectures are a trilogy that present learning from historical environments in Croatia in influencing our design thinking today, outlining how the past can teach us about the experiential quality of architecture, a key point in Boris' design philosophy.

- History of Dubrovnik from a small refugee colony to the "Pearl of Adriatic"
- Layers of Civilizations explanation of how layers of different times in 4 cities on the Adriatic coast influenced the contemporary school of architecture
- An Authentic School of Architecture overview of formation and values of contemporary Croatian school of architecture

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2025	Newport High School, Replacement/ Bellevue, Washingto	r
	Bellevue School District	

- James Baldwin Elementary School / Seattle, Washington Seattle Public Schools
- Kimball Elementary School / Seattle, Washington Seattle Public Schools
- Hamlin Robinson School, New Addition / Seattle, Washington Private School
- Changping K-9 / Changping, China Beijing National Day School
- Shijingshan Experimental Middle School / Beijing, China Beijing National Day School
- Mount Si High School, Replacement / Snoqualmie, Washington Snoqualmie Valley School District
- Wing Luke Elementary School, Replacement / Seattle, Washington Seattle Public Schools
- Shelton High School Modernization and Additions / Shelton, Washington Shelton School District
- Tillicum Middle School, Replacement / Bellevue, Washington Bellevue School District
- Bennett Elementary School, Replacement / Seattle, Washington Bellevue School District
- Wilson High School Phase 2, Modernization & Addition / Tacoma, Washington Tacoma School District
- Hazel Wolf K-8 School, New / Seattle, Washington Seattle Public Schools
- Long Beach High School No. 2 / Long Beach, California Long Beach Unified School District
- Kootenai Health East Expansion / Coeur d'Alene, Idaho Kootenai Health

Significant Work: Projects

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- **2016** PeaceHealth Ketchikan Medical Center, Addition / Ketchikan, Alaska PeaceHealth / City of Ketchikan
- **2015** Hamlin Robinson School, New / Seattle, Washington Private School
- **2015** Redington Junior Senior High School / Knik, Alaska Matanuska-Susitna Borough School District, Design Advisor
- **2015** Rainforest Arts Center, Replacement / Forks, Washington City of Forks
- **2015** Plains Elementary School, Replacement / South Hadley, Massachusetts Town of South Hadley, Design Consultants to Margo Jones Architects
- 2014 Ho'okele Elementary School / Kapolei, Hawaii Hawaii Department of Education, in association with KYA Design Group, Design Advisor
- **2013** Snohomish High School Modernization & Addition / Snohomish, Washington Snohomish School District
- **2013** Patterson Hall Renovation / Cheney, Washington Eastern Washington University, Co-designer
- **2013** City of Redmond Recreation Master Plan / Redmond, Washington City of Redmond
- **2012** Cherry Crest Elementary School, Replacement / Bellevue, Washington Bellevue School District
- **2011** Machias Elementary School, Replacement / Snohomish, Washington Snohomish School District, Design Advisor
- **2011** Riverview Elementary School, Replacement / Snohomish, Washington Snohomish School District

The project integrated progressive interior space organization with experiential quality of indoor/outdoor learning, including the innovative engagement of the existing wetland on the site. It has been awarded 8 design awards, including multiple international and top national awards.

2010 Oak Harbor High School, Modernization & Addition / Oak Harbor, Washington Oak Harbor School District

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2010 Ardmore Elementary School, Replacement / Bellevue, Washington Bellevue School District

The project elevated informal learning in a highly stimulating experiential setting, receiving top level national awards from AIA CAE and educational design magazines.

- **2009** Eastgate Elementary School, Replacement / Bellevue, Washington Bellevue School District
- **2008** Little Cedars Elementary School, New / Snohomish, Washington Snohomish School District
- **2008** Glacier Peak High School, New / Snohomish, Washington Snohomish School District
- **2007** Wilson High School Phase 1, Modernization & Addition / Tacoma, Washington Tacoma School District

A true harbinger, it employed displacement ventilation (integrated with comprehensive daylighting) as another option for sustainable school design. While this was a pioneering effort in Pacific Northwest and the West coast when designed in 2003/2004, it has become a mainstream design solution at this time with more than 30 schools employing this much healthier HVAC concept in the state of Washington alone.

- 2007 Carver Academic Remodel Pre-Design / Bellingham, Washington Western Washington University
- **2006** Mount View Elementary School / Seattle, Washington Highline Public Schools
- **2005** Lake Hills Elementary School, Replacement / Bellevue, Washington Bellevue School District
- **2004** Cascade Middle School, Modernization & Addition / Longview, Washington Longview School District
- **2004** Henry Moses Aquatic Center, New / Renton, Washington City of Renton
- **2003** Giaudrone Middle School / Tacoma, Washington Tacoma School District

This project was in the first generation of comprehensively daylit schools in the Washington State, which was also at the forefront nationwide. It was used by Seattle Lighting Lab for educational seminars focused on quality daylighting and school planning principles in 2002.

KEY DESIGN POINTS EMPHASIZED IN PUBLICATION

Experiential Quality

Programmatic Innovations

☐ Sustainable Design Strategies

Articles, publications and presentations by others featuring projects designed by Boris Srdar.





Architectural Design and Research Institute of Shenzhen University, China

2022:4/Volume 37 No. 206

"Profile of NAC Architecture as K12 Design Firm", featured on cover*



Architectural Record

"Continuing Education: Climate Adaptation" By Joann Gonchar, FAIA, January 2022. Web.

Mount Si High School



Architectural Record

"Continuing Education: School Security and Safety." By Katharine Logan, January 2017. Web.

Mount Si High School



Architectural Record

"On the Boards: Schools of the 21st Century" By Katherine Logan, January 2016. Web.

Mount Si High School



Learning By Design Magazine

"Interpreting History and Culture in New School Design" By Boris Srdar, Spring 2016. Print.



Association for Learning Environments (A4LE) Educational Facility Planner

"Get Out!"

By Lauren Scranton and Boris Srdar, 2016: Volume 49 | Issue 2&3. Pages 6-8. Print.



Medium.com

"Design Manifestos: Boris Srdar of NAC Architecture" By Modelo, July 2016. Web.



"Learning Can Happen Anywhere: Exploring Two Case Studies of Education Architecture in the Seattle Region."

By Paige Lozier. June 2014. Print and Web.

Cherry Crest Elementary School and Riverview Elementary School

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Articles, publications and presentations **by others** featuring projects **designed by Boris Srdar.**



"Rising to the Top: Award-winning projects have to be better than merely excellent to take home a prize." By Todd Hutlock, Editor. Fall 2014: 22. Print.

· Cherry Crest Elementary School



Shenzhen: Hi-Design Publishing, 2012. Print.

 Ardmore Elementary School, featured on cover*. International selection of K-12 projects around the world.



"Sustainable Solutions."

By Jenna M. McKnight, January 2012:129;132. Print.

Riverview Elementary School

Daily Journal of Commerce

"Project of the Month — Suburban school with a Zen garden at its heart."

By Claire Enlow. 3 October 2012. Web.

Ardmore Elementary School

Bellevue Reporter

"Construction projects in BSD have students seeing, living green."

By Josh Suman. 3 October 2012. Web.

Cherry Crest Elementary School

Learning By Design

"Learning on All Levels: Three Grand Prize winners strike the perfect balance of form and function for optimal learning."

By Lia K. Dangelico. Fall 2012:4-6. Print.

Riverview Elementary School, featured on cover*

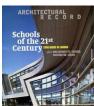
Learning By Design

"Learning Happens Here: Three Grand Prize winners shape innovative learning environments that support educational programming and foster a culture of collaboration."

By Sally Zakariya. Fall 2011:4-6. Print.

Ardmore Elementary School, featured on cover*.









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"Mission-Focused Design Soars: Four cutting-edge, student-focused designs provide novel approaches to support learning, collaboration, and connections in Grand Prize winners."

By Whitney Redding. Spring 2011:4-8. Print.

First Creek Middle School

CEFPI Pacific Northwest Region Newsletter

"From 'no man's land' to Campus Community - Re-making a Campus at Oak Harbor High School." By Greg Stack, AIA, LEED AP. March 2010. Print.

Oak Harbor High School

Learning By Design

"Design Innovations for Every Need: From circulation details to skillful use of natural light, four exemplary projects maximize sustainable strategies and earn Citations of Excellence."

Fall 2010:8-10. Print.

Eastgate Elementary School



By D. Kirk Hamilton FAIA and David Watkins, FAIA. Hoboken: John Wiley & Sons, Inc, 2009. Print.

Featuring Wilson High School as a case study.

Learning By Design

"Creative Buildings Contribute to the Learning Experience: Fourteen architectural firms receive Citation of Excellence Awards "

2009:6-10 Print

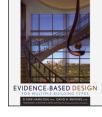
Little Cedars Elementary

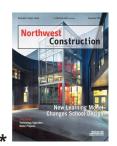
Northwest Construction

"Local Architects Surpass Expectations with Designs to Match New Learning Models" By Lucy Bodilly. September 2009: 11-15. Print.

Wilson High School, featured on cover*.







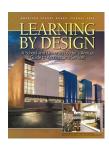
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Articles, publications and presentations **by others** featuring projects **designed by Boris Srdar.**





"Transparency Builds Community"

By Greg Stack, AIA, LEED AP. July 2009:168. Print.

Wilson High School and Ardmore Elementary School



"Planning for School Construction on Occupied Sites"

By Greg Stack, AlA, LEED AP. Part 1 July 2009:13-14 & Part 2 August 2009:11-12. Print.

Wilson High School



School Planning & Management

"Predicting Daylight"

By Colin Jones, AlA, LEED AP, Mark McMicheal, PE, LEED AP, and Philip Riedel, AlA, LEED AP. October 2009:36-42. Print.

Wilson High School, featured on cover*.

Whidbey News-Times

"New auditorium gives Oak Harbor a musical venue."

By Liz Burlingame. 8 December 2009. Web.

· Oak Harbor High School

Whidbey News-Times

"Great addition to Oak Harbor."
Editorial, 15 December 2009, Web.

Oak Harbor High School