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BIOGRAPHY

Jeanie Gartly has evolved 30 years of experience in heritage, urban design and planning into her passion for heritage conservation consulting. Her professional expertise is in heritage conservation and the role it plays in revitalizing downtowns and established communities. She has led, engaged, and delivered heritage conservation projects such as heritage management plans/programs, heritage inventories, municipal/provincial designations, condition assessments, museum reviews, and conservation plans for adaptive re-use in public, private and non-profit sectors. She has enthusiastically contributed to a variety of heritage conservation projects for the value they bring to maintaining and creating a unique “sense of place” for a city, community or area. Jeanie’s heritage conservation passion includes the documentation of history, preserving community character in downtowns and established communities through the conservation of historic places; and engaging and working with teams to creatively integrate historic places with city planning and building. Rewarding projects have included: the 150-acre Medalta site long-range vision and complex conservation plan for the Hycroft China Factory (Medicine Hat Clay Industries Historic Site of Canada); establishing the heritage management programs for the City of Medicine Hat and Okotoks, AB; the restoration study for the McDougall Church lost to a fire in 2017; and Maccoy Cabin & Homestead in High River to address significant damage from the 2013 flood.

EDUCATION AND PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

Master of Architecture: Montana State University, Bozeman, MT, 2010

Master of Environmental Design – Planning: University of Calgary, 1996

Bachelor of Architecture: Montana State University, Bozeman, MT, 1987

Industrial Heritage & Downtown Revitalization through Heritage Conservation Certificates: University of Victoria, BC, 2009 and 2015

National Charrette Institute, Manager and Planner Certificate: Portland, Oregon, 2007

Urban Design Certificate (Honours): Simon Fraser University City Program, Vancouver, BC, 2005

Professional Member, Canadian Institute of Planners (CIP): Registered Professional Planner (RPP - APPI)

Professional Member, Canadian Association of Heritage Professionals (CAHP/ACECP)

Member, Association of Preservation and Technology (APT)

Member, National Trust of Canada (NTC)

Former President & Member, Medicine Hat & District Historical Society, 2008-2021

AWARDS

- Award of Excellence, Currie Barracks, Alberta Professional Planners Association: 2016
- Charter Merit Award, Currie, Congress for New Urbanism: 2016
- Mayors Urban Design Award, Honorable Mention, Currie Barracks: 2015
- Award of Excellence, Centre City Plan, Canadian Institute of Planners: 2008
- Mayors Urban Design Award for Approved Urban Design Plan, Centre City Plan: 2007
- Team Recognition Award for Beltline Area Redevelopment Plan: 2006
- Certificate of Appreciation as a Member of the Program Committee, CIP Conference, Calgary: 2005
- Award of Excellence, CFB East Community Plan – Garrison Woods (Environmental Design), Award of Merit & Honour Award for Planning Excellence, Alberta Association Canadian Institute of Planners & Canadian Institute of Planners: 1999

SELECT PROJECTS AND POSITIONS

J M Gartly Design Studio Inc.

Principal, Heritage Conservationist/Urban Designer & Planner

2017 - present

As the Principal of J M Gartly Design Studio, Inc., my consulting business includes a variety of heritage conservation and heritage planning projects, also including downtown and established communities, museum reviews, community engagement and project management. I work on projects individually as a sole consultant or build a professional team of experts to meet the needs of a project such as: engineering, research, graphic design and architectural technology needs.

Royal Hotel, for Kasian Architecture (Calgary, AB), Project in Fernie, BC | Municipal Historic Resource

- Prepared a Heritage Alteration Permit Review Letter for Kasian to include review of the architectural design in relationship to the Royal Hotel as a Municipal Historic Resource per *Standards and Guidelines for the Conservation of Historic Places in Canada* and municipal heritage policies.

Archibald Block, for Wexford Developments (Calgary, AB), Project in Edmonton, AB

- Prepared a Heritage Resources Impact Assessment for the developer on behalf of a request for one from the Alberta Heritage Resources Management Division to include: the identification of character-defining elements, condition assessment, statement of integrity using the seven criteria and three preservation options for a 1909 commercial building within the Old Strathcona Historic District and Plan Whyte, among other municipal heritage planning policies.

Medalta Long-Range Plan/Hycroft China Ltd. Factory, for Friends of Medalta Society, Medicine Hat, AB | Provincial Historic Resource

- Prepared for, contributed to, and provided summary meeting minutes as a part of a Medalta Board and heritage experts team that embarked on a project to achieve a long-range plan for the Medalta site (buildings and cultural landscape).
- Prepared the comprehensive Conservation Plan for the Hycroft China Ltd. Factory site, including condition assessment, conservation interventions, priorities, order of magnitude of cost estimate and next steps to achieve conservation of this complex industrial historic site to both conserve and plan for an adaptive re-use.

Okotoks Municipal Heritage Designation Program (MHDP), for Town of Okotoks, AB

- Provided project management and deliverables for a three phase MHDP project including development of the MHDP program for the Town of Okotoks, the designation of four municipal historic resources, and building evaluations for the Town's Heritage Inventory.
- Developed and achieved unanimous Council approval of a Municipal Heritage Designation Program and implemented the Program through the testing and approval of Municipal Historic Resource designations. Further implementation of the Program included: context paper and building evaluations, evaluation scoring development, designation plaque development, and public engagement through surveys and Open Houses.

Historical Context Papers and Building Evaluations, for The City of Calgary/Heritage Calgary, and Scarboro Community Association, Calgary, AB, Heritage Building Evaluations (Rural, Calgary, Edmonton)

- Along with a team of heritage colleagues, prepared a Context Paper for the Chinatown community in Calgary including research, writing and engaging the community and preparation of building heritage evaluations.
- Prepared the Scarboro Historical Context Paper with a residents and historian research team, guided and lead the paper writing including prepared the Scarboro Historic District Cultural Landscape Evaluation (SoS) for this one of only three John Charles Olmsted "picturesque suburb" communities in Canada, and submitted to Heritage Calgary for review for the Inventory of Heritage Resources.
- Prepared several building evaluations (Statements of Significance and Integrity) for Heritage Calgary such as residences and commercial in Scarboro, Bowness, Mount Royal, Beltline as well as the Roppel Barn, Wheatland County, among others.

McDougall United Church, for McDougall Stoney Mission Society, County of Bighorn | Provincial Historic Resource

- Project managed and prepared an Architectural/Engineering and Planning Study to Identify Options and a Recommendation for the McDougall Church after a fire in May 2017. The Study included a condition assessment, extensive research for best practices, five options and a recommended option with magnitude of costs for approval by the Society membership and the Province.
- Worked with the McDougall Stoney Mission Society and its membership, a Heritage Contractor, Archeologist and Alberta Culture and Tourism on analyzing the building and engaging the membership towards making a recommendation to the Province for approval to restore the church building.

Maccoy Cabin & Homestead, for Town of High River, AB | Provincial Historic Resource

- Project managed and prepared a Conservation Plan to address the on-going rehabilitation of the Maccoy Cabin & Homestead since the significant 2013 Flood damages.
- Worked with the Town and Provincial Heritage Conservation Advisor to do a complete Historic Paint Chronology, prepared the interventions based on a condition assessment of the of the buildings in 2018. Documented through the Study the remaining interventions and further needed interventions including interpretation opportunities.

Jumping Pound Community Hall, for JP Community Hall Society, Rocky View County, AB, Canmore Lamphouse, for Canmore Museum and Geoscience Centre, Canmore, AB, and McIntyre Farm Cultural Landscape, for the Town of Okotoks, AB

- Project managed and prepared the heritage building evaluations for each of these projects (a 90-year-old community hall, a 100-year-old mining lamphouse, and a 104-year-old house and barn) as the foundation for the Conservation Plans.
- Undertook the preparation of Conservation Plans including, but not limited to; grant applications, as-found drawings, a condition assessment, conservation treatments and intervention recommendations per the *Standards and Guidelines for the Conservation of Historic Places in Canada* including order of magnitude of cost estimates for each of the buildings.

Strathcona County Museum Review and Functional Plan, for Strathcona County, Sherwood Park, AB

- Provided project leadership along with partnering firm, Prairie Wild Consulting, on the preparation of a review of the Strathcona County Museum (2018) and further the Functional Plan (2020-2021) for a new museum and archives.
- Provided extensive best practices research from Canada and US for small county museums, reviewed the existing museum program and financials, engaged with the Board, community and administration, looked at potential options and governance models, and recommendations for next steps as a part of the preparation of the final Museum Review report for Council.

b&a Planning Group

Senior Planner/Urban Designer

2013 - 2017

Project managed teams of consultants and internal resources on behalf of the client. The role included leading planning urban design, policy and approvals applications and heritage planning. Supervised and mentored planners, prepared proposals, awards submissions and presentations for internal and external learning and conferences.

- Delivered Council's land use approval of the complex award-winning Currie Barracks 200-acre redevelopment project through project management of an international consultant team, liaison with client (Canada Lands Company), coordination of internal planning and technical team, community engagement, and liaison with municipal administration and Calgary Planning Commission/City Council.
 - Project managed and achieved a Minister-approved amendment to the Provincial Historic Resource designation for Currie Barracks resulting in eight Provincial Historic Resource sites (buildings and cultural landscapes) integrated with the urban village vision.
 - Designed and project managed the land use approval of the technically challenging 50-acre Highland Village Green (a former golf course in an established community). Project included consultant team coordination, community engagement and liaison with municipal administration.
 - Prepared the proposal, project managed, engaged and wrote the vision and policy for Moose Jaw's Downtown Local Area Plan.
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The City of Medicine Hat

Superintendent, Policy Planning & Heritage

2007 - 2013

My position with the City of Medicine Hat was in Planning, Building & Development - planning policy and heritage planning. Contributed as a part of the management team for 6 years, which included key directional decisions for the department.

Policy Development Projects Role

- Provided project leadership and management to Council Priorities by delivering several key policy initiatives.
- Managed the consultant team and engagement process for the Medicine Hat Municipal Development Plan & Downtown Redevelopment Plan: RFP preparation, Plan evolution/finalization, 2 Street Pilot Project, Planning Commission and Council approval.
- Managed and wrote the River Flats Area Redevelopment Plan which included working with a 12-person Steering Committee and internal technical departments including budget management, and coordination of consultants on residential infill design guidelines.

Senior Heritage Planner Role

- Initiated the first of the City's Heritage Inventory building evaluations by inclusion of engaging a heritage architect/historian as a part of the Downtown Redevelopment Plan charette process resulting in downtown building evaluations using the scoring method.
- Prepared the Heritage Resource Policy with Cultural Development and the Arts & Heritage Advisory Board including input to the formulation of a Heritage Resources Committee (HRC) and sat as the Planning, Building & Development representative.
- Worked with the HRC and Legal Department to realize the City's first five Municipal Historic Resources including the plaque designs.
- Prepared the Request for Proposal, which included consultant selection and management of a three-year Historic Inventory Project for Statements of Integrity & Significance and a Context Paper.
- Prepared Interventions to Municipal Historic Resources, working with landowners on conservation interventions/COA approval.
- Provided research, coordination and input into the preparation of the First Street Municipal Historic Area.
- Chaired the Ewart Duggan House Heritage Garden Committee which included coordination, design decisions and implementation.

Leadership Management Role

- Prepared Decision Items and presentations to Leadership Team, Administrative Committee, Municipal Planning Commission, and Council and liaised with Land & Properties on development and design guidelines, including homebuilders on guidelines.
 - Contributed to Cultural Development and Community Development on affordable housing, accessibility, seniors and social planning.
 - Hired and supervised planning staff on all aspects of planning, i.e. policy work, heritage, land use amendments, land use bylaw interpretation, subdivision and development permits.
 - Represented the City with presentations to Rotary Clubs, Centre City Development Agency, the Province's Municipal Heritage Forum and Accessibility groups.
 - Built a strong repore and professional respect by engaging city departments (Municipal Works, Parks, Environmental Utilities, Energy, Fire and Police) to ensure department alignment on policy and development work.
 - Led and worked closely with external stakeholders and the public on policy and planning implementation projects, i.e. monthly meeting between Planning, Building and Development Services and the Urban Development Institute (UDI), and Centre City Development Agency.
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The City of Calgary

Senior Planner/Urban Designer

2001 - 2007

My position with the City of Calgary was in Land Use Planning and Policy in the Centre City Planning & Design Division as a Senior Planner and Urban Designer. Also, worked with Development and Building Approvals as a File Manager in Land Use & Subdivision Planning.

Centre City Planning & Design, Land Use Planning and Policy

2003 - 2007

- Provided urban design and project leadership on several Centre City special projects, ie. Eau Claire Market/Plaza Redesign, Library/Bow Valley College Block and the 17 Avenue Urban Design Strategy including coordination of the City's Engage process.
- Provided leadership, researched, coordinated an extensive public process, and wrote policy for the Centre City Plan.
- Coordinated the preparation of Stakeholders Meetings, policy and design development for the Beltline Area Redevelopment Plan.
- Coordinated work with the Land Use Bylaw team in rewriting the Centre City Land Use Districts.

- Acted as the City of Calgary's representative on the Olympic Plaza Cultural District Committee and founding Member of an internal Urban Design Working Group that coordinated lunch sessions on urban design topics and learning to draw for City staff.

Development and Building Approvals/Subdivision

2001 – 2003

- Managed Outline Plan and Land Use Redesignation Applications to make a recommendation and present the applications to Calgary Planning Commission which included working closely with the public, internal City teams (CPAG), and Council.
- Worked with Planning Policy teams on design issues such as Neighbourhood Nodes, Big Box Design and Slope Adaptive Design.
- Provided planning and urban design input on land use, subdivision and development permit projects.

Architects BCRA-Tsang

Urban Designer/Planner

1999 - 2001

A 60-person (now 125-person) architecture firm in Tacoma, WA which specialized in commercial, institutional, civic and residential projects. Project managed and provided architectural and urban design solutions for land development projects.

- Planned a multi-family development in Redmond Ridge (A Master Planned Community).
- Designed the Thea Foss Waterway Esplanade in Downtown Tacoma and graphics for the Port of Edmonds Master Plan.
- Planned a 32-acre mixed-use development and 45-acre residential development, and coordinated the marketing package for Northwest Landing, Dupont, WA (neo-traditional community designed by Peter Calthorpe).
- Applied the City of Tacoma's new Downtown Municipal Code to architectural projects including the State Environmental Protection Act.
- Built a strong working relationship with the City of Tacoma Planning Department and efficiently gained familiarity with State and City planning policies and permitting processes for several planning jurisdictions in Western Washington State.

Brown & Associates Planning Group

Urban Designer/Planner

1997 - 1999

Provided planning, urban design and architectural designs for new and redeveloped lands, planning policy, land use applications, architectural and urban guidelines, and public participation.

- Prepared images, urban/architectural design concepts, tree preservation documentation, illustrations and supporting information for the redevelopment of 450 acres on CFB Lands (Former Military Base) now known as Garrison Woods and Currie Barracks.
- Prepared the Conceptual Scheme for the development of 15 acres of Former Greenhouse Lands in Medicine Hat, AB.
- Prepared design guidelines, Floor Area Ratio Study, and illustrations for Bow Valley Trail, Canmore, AB and developed and approved architectural design guidelines for new residential developments.
- Evolved and prepared the community planning/design and land use redesignation approvals for Greenfield developments.

Planning & Design Architect Consultant

1987 - 1997

Over these ten years, worked with architecture firms and as a design architect and consultant on a mix of projects from residential to health care facilities, which included coordination with clients/consultant teams and engagement with user groups.

Latimer Hiscock Architects/Parks Canada, Calgary AB | Praxis, Inc., Calgary, AB | Bank of Montreal, Calgary, AB
 Bell Milton Christie Architects, Calgary, AB | Baird Bergum Architects, Medicine Hat, AB | Foothills Hospital, Calgary, AB
 Hutchinson Macko Rand Architects, Calgary, AB
 Roman M. Kujath Architect, Ltd., Edmonton, AB | Robert E. Merriman & Associates, Tacoma, WA

PROFESSIONAL VOLUNTEER ROLES

Scarboro Community Association, Planning Committee Member, Cultural Landscape Statement of Significance/Statement of Integrity and Provincial Historic Area Project: 2020 - present

The Association for Preservation Technology International (APTI) Professional Member: since 2017 - present, AB Chapter Board having planned the joint APT/NTC 2020 Hindsight Edmonton Conference, sit on APT Chapters and Training and Education Committees

Canadian Association of Heritage Professionals (CAHP/ACECP) Awards Jury Volunteer: 2020

Heritage Calgary, Stakeholders Engagement & Collaboration Committee (SE&C); Volunteer Member: 2017-2020

Saskatoon Heritage Society/Municipal Heritage Advisory Committee, City of Saskatoon – Keynote and presenter on Built Heritage in Western Canada and Neighbours Working Together: A Dialogue on Intensification and Our Urban Heritage: 2018

Urban Land Institute, Alberta Chapter, b&a Representative Member: 2015 - 2016

Heritage Canada National Conference, Calgary, Presenter and Participant: 2015

Heritage Resource Committee, Senior Heritage Planner, City of Medicine Hat: 2009 - 2013

Historical Society of Medicine Hat & District, President and Smoke Signals Editor: 2008 – 2013, Member 2008 – present

Medalta in the Historic Clay District, Member: 2007 - present

Medicine Hat - Jane's Walk, Coordination Committee: 2012 - 2013

Municipal Heritage Forum, Alberta Culture & Community Spirit, Presenter and Participant: 2010 and 2012

Volunteer Member, Conference Program Committee, CIP National Conference, Calgary; 2005 and St. John's, NL: 2011

Olympic Plaza Cultural District Committee Representative and Co-Founder of "Learn to Draw", City of Calgary: 2004 – 2007