KRISTIAN HANSEN

Principal Landscape Architect

Known as a designer's designer, Kris has cultivated more than 30 years of Landscape Architectural experience with recognized mastery in hospitality, mixed-use developments, entertainment design and residential estates. A creative problem solver, he seeks relevant design solutions appropriate to the Client's needs and free of interjecting personal design style or philosophy. The son of an architect and grandson of a sculptor, he has developed an innate sense of form and function that produces timeless design solutions transcending the latest trends.

Kris has been responsible for all phases of design from master planning through construction documentation on large scale projects across the globe. Recent projects include the Cirque Du Soleil Experience Park, Nuevo Vallarta, Mexico; Polar Ocean World, Shanghai, China; Dubai Parks (w/HOK), Dubai, UAE; Studio City Casino, Macau; Bonita Center for the Arts, San Dimas, California; and various educational facilities throughout Southern California. Kris's process starts with detailed research and information gathering prior to forming opinion, preconceived notions or putting pen to paper. A disciplined craftsman, he has a natural curiosity about design and environment which reflects in the layering and display of study and relevance in his work. He has a passion for technology and a penchant for finding ways to incorporate it in building the better mousetrap.

Kris graduated Cum Laude from Virginia Polytechnic Institute with a Bachelor of Science in Horticulture, and has a Masters of Landscape Architecture from the University of Virginia. He is a licensed Landscape Architect in the state of California. Kris and Brad Biben first worked together in the mid-1980's whereupon a fast friendship grew into a solid working relationship and 30 years later, a strongly collaborative environment and a new cache of successful projects. Kris lives with his wife and daughter in the South Bay where, along with his many hobbies, he managed to built an addition to his home - single handedly.

selected projects

Cirque Du Soleil Experience Park Nuevo Vallarta, Mexico

Polar Ocean World Shanghai, China

Studio City Macau, China

Theme Park and Resort Project Indonesia

Bonita Center for the Arts San Dimas, California

Hotel du Parc Lake Geneva, Switzerland (prior - w/EDSA)

La Serena Resort and Spa San Manuel, Costa Rica (prior - w/EDSA)

Delfino Resort Palm Desert, California (prior - w/EDSA)

Seongsanpo Coastal Resort Jeju Island, Korea (prior - w/EDSA)

Tianjin Sun City Tianjin, China (prior - w/EDSA)

Casa Palmero Spa Pebble Beach, California (prior - w/Bennitt Design Group)

Ritz Carlton-Bali Bali, Indonesia (prior - w/Sasaki Assocs.)

The Peninsula Beverly Hills, California (prior - w/Pod, Inc.)

Moorea Beachcomber French Polynesia (prior - w/Jardin Intl.)

Flamingo Hilton Hotel Renovation Las Vegas, Nevada (prior - w/Pod, Inc.)

Disneyland Hotel Renovation Anaheim, California (prior - w/Pod, Inc.)

Universal Studios Japan Osaka, Japan (prior - w/EDAW)

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