IMPLEMENT is a design-focused landscape architecture practice based in Columbus Ohio; the studio name speaks to our ambition and reflects the pragmatic values that have shaped the agricultural and industrial landscapes of our Midwestern context. Our work explores the potential of landscape to be a tool for creative change, community engagement, and dynamic place-making.

Lead by Design Principal Jason Kentner, the studio leverages its facility for conceptual visualization and strategic planning along with a craftsman-like attention to the quality of materials and resolution of construction details. That design dexterity allows the studio to work across scales from large to small; in a variety of contexts from rural to urban; and within a range of project typologies from parks and gardens to vacant lots and post-industrial sites.

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Jason Kentner, RLA

Design Principal



In 2012 Jason Kentner founded IMPLEMENT studio as a parallel to his academic teaching and design research. As the firm's Design Principal, Jason has shaped a practice that is characterized by diverse project types that engage landscape at a range of scales from regional trails and community parks to small urban sites. That breadth of expertise has allowed IMPLEMENT to collaborate with numerous community non-profits, municipal agencies, institutional administrations, development partnerships and individual clients.

Originally from Northeast Ohio, Jason's attention to landscape is heavily influenced by the familiar rural and industrial landscapes that characterize so much of the Central Ohio, Great Lakes and Rust Belt region. Within this context, landscape has the potential to define urban character, recall cultural history, activate ecological process, and provide infrastructural function.

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# SILO CITY LANDSCAPE MASTER PLAN Buffalo, NY

Project Description:

**SILO CITY LANDSCAPE MASTER PLAN** is a project that is all about managing resources over time. Initial efforts were about editing the existing landscape that was dominated by aggressive pioneer and invasive species in ways that would direct the growth of the site and allow for public access and event programming. Simple acts of regrading to open or direct drainage ways have allowed stormwater to be concentrated and allow that pioneer species are favored over the exotic invasive plants that dominate because of the degraded and compacted soil.

A second effort of the project has been to rebuild the soil profile in partnership with a local non-profit composting operation. The group was provided space on the property for windrow composting and the site benefited by being able to source high quality compost for the creation of pollinator and other gardens on the site.

Duration: 2013-2016
Size: 12 Acres
Budget: Undisclosed
Client: Private

Project Team: Jason Kentner, Co-Designer Sean Burkholder, Co-Designer Joshua Smith, Composting Consultant







# GOODALE PARK VISION PLAN Columbus, OH

Project Description:

GOODALE PARK VISION PLAN started as a research project working with student interns to document the history and current use of Goodale Park, the oldest public park in the Columbus. In my role as President of Friends of Goodale Park, I had asked the group about doing a user survey and documenting the years of archive materials the group had accumulated in its nearly 30 year history.

Having secured private funding for the project I supervised a group of student interns for a summer. That fall when we presented the work to Columbus Recreation & Parks they got excited by the potential and awarded us a grant to continue the work and to author a Vision Plan for the park.

Again, working with a group of student interns I directed their efforts for a summer and we completed a landscape vision plan that has since proved its value by allowing the Friends of Goodale Park to not only prioritize efforts but also to have a list of projects from large to small that the Recreation & Parks can help implement as funds are available.

Duration: 2013 - 2015 Size: 36 Acres Budget: Undisclosed

Client: Friends of Goodale Park

### Client Contact:

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# GIRARD TRAIL & LEATHERWORKS PARK Girard, OH

Project Description:

### **GIRARD MULTI-USE TRAIL &**

**LEATHERWORKS PARK** started as a feasibility study for a parcel of land the City of Girard was in negotiations to purchase from the railroad for th purpose of a new community park. The site, comprised of three adjacent parcels, has a compelling history (once home to the Ohio Leatherworks Co.) and a dynamic landscape characterized by dramatic shifts in topography and frequent flooding due to remnant infrastructures that are scattered across the site.

The project evolved through direct interaction with Mayor James Melfi and City Attorney Frank Bodor as they continued to negotiate terms with the Railroad. IMPLEMENT developed a series technical diagrams that illustrated negotiated terms and advised Attorney Bodor on language and components for the final deed that was offered to the railroad. Most recent efforts have focused on park design.

Duration: 2013 - present
Size: 36 Acres
Budget: Undisclosed
Client: City of Girard, OH

#### Client Contact:

### James Melfi, Mayor

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## **VACANT TO VIBRANT** Cleveland, Buffalo & Gary

Project Description:

**VACANT TO VIBRANT** started as a pilot program funded by the Great Lakes Hardest Hit Fund through a grant secured by the Cleveland Botanical Garden. Initial projects took on 3 sites in each of three cities Cleveland, Buffalo, and Gary, IN. Those projects allowed for three years of monitoring of green infrastructure that was incorporated into small pocket park projects on vacant lots owned by each city.

Following the success of the initial projects a second project was initiated by the City of Gary, IN to design a template for future "green lot" projects. We worked with community planning and development office to design an interactive game that would allow residents to design sites from a "kit of parts" that we had designed and detailed.

2015 - 2017 Duration: Size: varies

Budaet: \$15.000 - \$30.000/site Client: Cleveland Botanical Garden

& City of Gary, IN

## Client Contact:

### Jack Eskin

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# FOREGROUND / WATER







IN GREAT LAKES CITIES, DERELICT PARCELS SPONGE UP STORMWATER.

Eight years ago, Sandra Albro, a re-search associate in applied urban ecology at the Cleveland Botanical Garden (now Holden Forests & Gar-dens) began to think about opportuni-ties lurking in the city's vacant lots— in particular how to help cities with their water quality problems. During heavy rains, raw sewage from old, leaky, combined sewer-stormwater leaky, combined sewer-stormwater systems is often flushed into the systems is often flushed into the Great Lakes, resulting in beach clo-sures not fun for tourists. At the same time, in Cleveland, Ohio; Buf-falo, New York; and Gary, Indiana— where populations have declined by as much as 40 to 50 percent since the 1950s—derelict houses and vacant lots have increased: 30,000 in Cleve-

6,000 in Buffalo.

Cleveland, Buffalo, and Gary are Cleveland, Buffalo, and Gary are among 158 communities with per-mits from the Environmental Pro-tection Agency (EPA) to discharge treated wastewater into the Great Lakes. The agency has also charged them with implementing Long Term Control Plans under the Clean Water Act to eliminate discharges of ter Act to eliminate discharges of untreated sewage from their com-bined system overflows. "It's a funny thing," says David Rankin, the ex-ecutive director of the Great Lakes Protection Fund, a private nonprofit comportion that funds projects to corporation that funds projects to build the health of the lakes. "Most

land, 7,000 in Gary, and more than of the time these systems do a great of the time these systems do a great job of managing stormwater—they actually treat it. It was state-of-the-art Victorian engineering that dates back to the Industrial Revolution. But in heavy rains, some waste gets flushed out, too—and when you're looking at more than 100 dischargers, it starts to add up." According to the EPA, in 2014 the toll was an estimated 22 bil-2014 the toll was an estimated 22 billion gallons of untreated wastewater discharged into the lakes

Rankin says Great Lakes cities need to think differently about the problem— many are trying to find funding to build massive pipes. But with their populations declining, he suggests these cities should think about



# OLENTANGY RIVER VISION PLAN Columbus, OH

Project Description:

**OLENTANGY RIVER VISION PLAN** is a public outreach and research project undertaken in partnership with Friends of the Lower Olentangy (FLOW) and sponsored by The Ohio State University President's Council on Sustainability. The multi-pronged project uses conventional outreach techniques including community surveys and public meetings. In addition, and very effectively, the project has incorporated documentary film crew that is following the project and recording the personal histories and experiences of residents that have long advocated for and used the Olentangy.

The project has also been pro-active in directly impacting the conditions of the watershed by facilitating give-aways of FREE native trees.

Duration: 2018 - present

Size: 25 mile corridor study

Budget: Undisclosed Client: FLOW

Client Contact:

Laura Fay, Science Committee Chair

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# THE KILBOURNE PROJECT Kilbourne, OH

Project Description:

THE KILBOURNE PROJECT is a fantastic story of four neighbors and friends taking a bold step to save a small town. The town of Kilbourne, OH is like a lot of small rural towns that have layers of history buried under years of neglect, preserving that history and making a town for a new generation of neighbors, families, and businesses is what the Kilbourne Project is all about.

As the lead designer for the project, our role has been to help the client/owner group visualize what is possible and navigate the various aspects of county zoning and township project review so as to be allowed to preserve what is great about Kilbourne. Our efforts to illustrate the value and potential the group sees in this small township has allowed residents to become vocal advocates for the project, thus providing us the leverage with county and township officials for some special considerations... like not widening the historic Main Street and adding curbs and drains that would not only go against the rural character of the place but also make the project financially unsustainable and another rural town would be lost.

This project is moving into construction in the early Spring of 2020.

Duration: 2019 - present Size: 25 mile corridor study

Budget: Undisclosed

Client: Gandee Heydinger Group

#### Client Contact:

### **Garrett Gandee, Vice President**

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#### KILBOURNE | CHARACTER IMAGES

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Event Spaces: provide scalable, flexible and leasable spaces by organizing spaces in close proximity to the street and each other.

To the west the market anchors activities including a patio and casual open space. To the east, the barn and common space provide expanse of green space suitable for range of events.

mages: Jorgensen Farms in New Albany is a unique vent space, the gardens and ustic farm buildings are very opular for weddings and arties. A gazebo anchors the ommon open space.

A small town street is closed for festival event. A shaded patio space connects to a small restaurant. Casual lights claim an outdoor





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## REED MEMORIAL LIBRARY Ravenna, OH

Project Description:

**REED MEMORIAL LIBRARY** is a small multiphased site plan for a public library in Portage County. The project is unique because we are working in the familiar context of Ravenna, OH where Design Principal Jason Kentner grew up. The project focuses on working with the Board of Trustees to illustrate how strategic interventions anchored by maintenance needs can, over time, be transformative to the library site and how they utilize the grounds.

The Board of Trustees has been very receptive to the concepts developed that would look how the library serves as a civil site within the large context of Ravenna downtown and how their needs and the library's community role will likely change in the near and long-term future.

This project has been so successful that it has become the focus of numerous overlapping efforts and discussions that have taken place in Ravenna for a number of year. As the community leadership comes to the table there is potential for the project to expand in scope and scale and consider the whole of downtown Ravenna.

Duration: 2019 - present
Size: 3 acres
Budget: Undisclosed

Client: Reed Memorial Library

#### Client Contact:

Brian Hare, Library Director

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## SELECTED DESIGN COMPETITION RECOGNITION

2011	SEMIFINALIST   ONE PRIZE - HARBORPORT
	Team: Jason Kentner, Karen Lewis, Sean Burkholder, and Matt Banton.
2009	HONORABLE MENTION   GRAND CONCOURSE NYC - INNER SPACE
	Team: Jason Kentner and Karen Lewis
2006	HONORABLE MENTION   CAPE WIND - 110% JUICE
	Team: Jason Kentner and Karen Lewis
2005	FINALIST   9/11 MEMORIAL FLIGHT 93 - MEMORY TRAIL

Team: Jason Kentner, Karen Lewis, Fritz Steiner, and Lynn Miller

## SELECTED ACADEMIC PUBLICATIONS, LECTURES, AND EXHIBITIONS

2014	BOOK/EDITOR - WEST 8 (IN-PROCESS) Source Books in Landscape Architecture Edition #8
2013	LECTURE/PAPER - GREEN INFRASTRUCTURE IN FIRST ORDER SUBURBS (ACCEPTED NOT PRESENTED DUE TO SCHEDULE CONFLICT)  Making Cities Livable Conference - Portland, OR
2012	BOOK/EDITOR - STOSS LANDSCAPE URBANISM Source Books in Landscape Architecture Edition #7
2011	LECTURE - NEXT NATURE (PEER REVIEWED ABSTRACT) CELA @ University of Southern California   Los Angeles
2011	LECTURE/PANEL - DESIGN DEVELOPMENT (PANEL ORGANIZER) CELA @ University of Southern California   Los Angeles
2011	LECTURE - LOW IMPACT DEVELOPMENT Half-Moon Professional Seminar   Columbus, OH
2009	BOOK/EDITOR - TOM LEADER STUDIO: 3 PROJECTS Source Books in Landscape Architecture Edition #6
2009	EXHIBITION – INTERSECTIONS: THE GRAND CONCOURSE BEYOND 100 Center for Architecture – New York, NY Innerspace and model featured in Competition Gallery Exhibit
2009	EXHIBITION - MONUMENTS OF COLUMBUS  The Ohio State University Urban Arts Space FLAT (digital image) included in Gallery Exhibit
2008	LECTURE - DENCITY VS. SCARCITY  "On Scarcity" mini-symposium at Knowlton School of Architecture invited by organizer John McMorrough, Assistant Professor in Architecture
2007	LECTURE - SPACE RACE (PEER REVIEWED ABSTRACT) CELA @ The Pennsylvania State University   State College PA

## AWARD WINNING PROJECTS/COLLABORATIONS

2017	OHIO CHAPTER OF ASLA MERIT AWARD   Pizzuti Collection Sculpture Garden
2017	AIA/ALA LIBRARY BUILDING AWARD   Columbus Metropolitan Library: Whitehall Branch Collaboration with JBAD Associates of Columbus Ohio
2016	AIA COLUMBUS HONOR AWARD   Sullivan Residence Collaboration with JBAD Associates of Columbus Ohio
2016	AIA OHIO HONORABLE MENTION   Sullivan Residence Collaboration with JBAD Associates of Columbus Ohio
2015	OHIO CHAPTER OF ASLA HONORABLE MENTION   Goodale Park Vision Plan Collaboration Friends of Goodale Park with Staci Carrier, Alyssa Garcia, Alex Kelly, Alex Pisha, Tameka Sims, Haley Wolfe
2015	AIA COLUMBUS MERIT AWARD   Columbus Metropolitan Library: Whitehall Branch Collaboration with JBAD Associates of Columbus Ohio
2015	AIA COLUMBUS HONOR AWARD   Battery B Apartments  Collaboration with JBAD Associates of Columbus Ohio

## **ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS**

2013-present	THE OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY   Columbus OH  Knowlton School of Architecture Landscape Architecture Section  Associate Clinical Professor of Practice  Graduate Studies Chair (2013-present)
2006-2013	THE OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY   Columbus OH  Knowlton School of Architecture Landscape Architecture Section  Assistant Professor in Landscape Architecture  Graduate Studies Chair (2012-2013)
2005-2006	THE OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY   Columbus OH  Knowlton School of Architecture Landscape Architecture Section  Visiting Lecturer in Landscape Architecture
2004-2005	THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS   Austin TX School of Architecture Master's Program in Landscape Architecture Visiting Lecturer in Landscape Architecture
2003-2004	HARVARD UNIVERSITY GRADUATE SCHOOL OF DESIGN   Cambridge MA MLA II Teaching Assistant MLA II Teaching Fellow

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#### PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

2012-present IMPLEMENT | Columbus OH

Owner/Design Principal

2007-2011 INFLUX STUDIO | Columbus OH

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2004-2006 JK LAND DESIGN | Cambridge MA

Private consulting practice

1999-2002 REED HILDERBRAND | Watertown MA

Staff Designer and Technical Assistant

#### **EDUCATION**

2004 HARVARD GRADUATE SCHOOL OF DESIGN | Cambridge MA

MASTER OF LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE (MLA)

1999 THE PENNSYLVANIA STATE UNIVERSITY | State College PA

BACHELOR OF LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE (BLA)

#### SELECTED PROJECTS

### 2018 OLENTANGY RIVER VISION PLAN | Columbus OH

Working with Friends of the Lower Olentangy (FLOW) this project focuses on community outreach and engagement aiming at the development of a long-term vision plan for the Olentangy River. The project is partially funded by a grant received from The Ohio State University's Office of Sustainability.

#### 2018 GARY IN | Columbus OH

Working with City of Gary's Sustainability Director on project w/ US Forestry Grant the project will focus on tree planting strategies for vacant properties as part of Gary's "Grey to Green" project. The project involves the development of a community outreach "design game" allowing local residents to shape the design of local lots.

#### 2017 NORTH MARKET | Columbus OH

Working with the project Architect (Schooley Caldwell) on the redevelopment of the North Market and associated parking lot. The Market Tower proposal, developed by Woods/Schiff Capital, was selected by the city in early April 2017. The Market Tower proposal includes significant outdoor space including various outdoor cafes, market spaces, public plaza/streetscape, and roof-top amenity spaces. *Groundbreaking is expected in Spring/Summer 2019.* 

## 2017 TROLLEY YARD | Columbus OH

Working on redevelopment plan for 3.5-acre brownfield site located adjacent to Franklin Park Conservatory which once served as the storage and maintenance yard for Columbus Street Cars. The project focuses on the development of site spaces associated with an indooroutdoor market, a brewery complex, and a bbq restaurant. *Groundbreaking is expected in Spring/Summer 2019.* 

#### 2016 YBR TRAIL | Columbus OH (ongoing)

Working with the Mayor of City of Girard this project looks at the development of a two-mile recreational trail within an active rail corridor. The trail is the first phase of a trail system that will connect north to south through the city providing its park system and neighborhood with a new amenity. The path will connect the Ohio Leatherworks property with a planned Rt 422 regional bike trail.

#### 2016 GOODALE PARK VISION PLAN | Columbus OH

Working in my role as President of the Friends of Goodale Park I worked to direct a group of student interns from the Knowlton School of Architecture's Landscape Architecture program in the development of a long-term vision plan for Columbus' oldest public park. The plan was developed over the course of two year. The Ohio Chapter of Landscape Architects recognized this project with an Honorable Mention in the Design Unbuilt category of the professional design awards in 2015.

#### 2015 ST. JOSEPH MONTESSORI SCHOOL | Columbus OH (active)

Working school administration, faculty, parents and students, this project focuses on the development of a strategic landscape plan for the school grounds. Located in a dense residential neighborhood of Italian Village the SJMS site plays a dual role as both an educational facility and community venue. The project is in process of moving from master plan to implementation documents. *Master Planning was completed in 2015, since two phases of construction have been completed with a third and most significant phase anticipated in the summer of 2019.* 

#### 2014 GRIGGS EVENT CENTER | Columbus OH

Working in collaboration with Schooley Caldwell Architects this project seeks to redevelop a historic park structure located adjacent to the Griggs Reservoir Dam into a leasable event venue. The focus of the landscape design is to sensitively incorporate the needs of modern services including but not limited to accessible parking, service and maintenance access. *Construction completed in spring of 2017.* 

#### 2014 SILO CITY | Buffalo NY

Working in collaboration with Sean Burkholder of the University of Buffalo, this project focuses on the development of landscape master plan for Silo City, a 13-acre grain silo complex located on the Buffalo shipping canal. The silo complex has become home to a series of informal urban events including farmers' markets, rock concerts, art installations and experimental farming. The intention of the design is to utilize the dynamic emerging landscape as a mechanism for organizing site access and program. *Design Development on-going through 2014.* 

### 2014 GREEN LOTS | Buffalo NY, Cleveland OH, Gary IN

Working in collaboration with Vacant to Vibrant program sponsored by Cleveland Botanical Garden, this project focuses on the redevelopment of vacant residential lots into green infrastructure sites with a focus on managing urban stormwater. *Construction completed in the Fall 2014 and Summer 2015.* 

#### 2014 COURTYARD GARDENS | Wooster OH

This project focuses on the design of two courtyard gardens and overall landscape master plan for corporate client. The courtyards are defined by a new building addition by Lewis Tsurumaki Lewis and emphasize the development of dynamic spaces for collaborative meeting between the company's sales and product development/research staff. *Construction completed in late summer 2014.* 

### 2013 OHIO LEATHERWORKS | Girard OH

Working with the Mayor of City of Girard this project looks at the development of an 18-acre public park adjacent to the Mahoning River on the site of the Ohio Leather Company. Acknowledging the historic significance of the site and associated environmental issues this project will work closely with EPA regulators to develop the brownfield site for public use and commercial/civic development. This site has since been purchased by the City of Girard with design and planning expected to be initiated in the Summer of 2017.

#### 2012 PIZZUTI COLLECTION SCULPTURE GARDEN | Columbus OH

On-going project focuses on the presentation of a contemporary art collection in a new private/public art complex in a densely populated historic community. The sculpture garden combines traditional materials with a contemporary aesthetic that allows for visitors to have a dynamic experience and relationship to the works exhibited within the sculpture garden. *Construction completed in two phases with the latest being completed in the spring of 2015.* 

#### 2012 THE BENCHMARK | Columbus OH

In collaboration with JBAD of Columbus, OH this project for a multi-unit apartment complex presented a particular challenge of producing a landscape design for a project that was already under construction and within some very particular civil engineering issues. The site was to be developed so densely that the "program" space that the client was anticipating turned out to be a retention area on the proposed civil plan. The resulting landscape utilized a series of path types including a boardwalk to turn the retention area into a significant natural amenity on the property. *Construction completed in spring of 2014.*