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CURRENT

[Lecturer](#)

University of Michigan

[ArcPrep](#)

Co-Director and Instructor

[9XS Design](#)

Principal

EDUCATION

University of Michigan

Master of Architecture, Ann Arbor, Michigan, 2014-2017

University of Michigan

Bachelor of Literature, Science, and Arts, Ann Arbor, Michigan, 2007-2011

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Wier Boerner Allin

Project Manager

Jackson, Mississippi, 2022

Fertile Ground

Non-profit Founder

Jackson, Mississippi, 2018-Present

The Plant Venue

Co-founder & Developer

Jackson, Mississippi, 2017-2023

Carbon Office

Co-founding Principal

Jackson, Mississippi, 2016-2022

City of Jackson

Urban Designer

Jackson, Mississippi, 2018-2020

Taubman College FABLab

CNC Technician

Ann Arbor, Michigan, 2015-2016

Taubman College

Communication Assistant

Ann Arbor, Michigan, 2014-2017

RESEARCH + TEACHING

University of Michigan

Lecturer

Ann Arbor, Michigan, 2022-Present

AWARDS

ARIA Grant

Arts Initiative, University of Michigan

Detroit At Play, 2024

Art and Resistance

Arts Initiative, University of Michigan

Unearthed Currents, 2023

AARP Livable Communities

Livable Communities Challenge Grant

Museum Trail, 2022

AARP Livable Communities

Livable Communities Challenge Grant

Museum Trail, 2021

Southeast Emmy

Societal Concerns Long Form Documentary

Fertile Ground, 2021

Visit Jackson

Community Development Award

Fertile Ground, 2021

AIA Mississippi

Friend of Architecture

Carbon Office, 2019

AARP Livable Communities

Livable Communities Challenge Grant

Open Streets Program, 2019

Federal Transit Authority

Transit-Oriented Development Planning Grant

ONELINE, 2019

Portico Magazine

Masters of Design

Carbon Office, 2018

Bloomberg Philanthropies

Public Art Challenge Grant

Fertile Ground, 2018

APA Mississippi

Public Outreach Award

Downtown Design Dialogue, 2018

AARP Livable Communities

Livable Communities Challenge Grant

Open Streets Program, 2018

FELLOWSHIP

[Michigan Mellon Design](#)

Fellow

University of Michigan, 2022-2024

[Common Future](#)

Fellow

Bridge Fellowship, 2020-2021

EXHIBITIONS

Detroit Month of Design	Curator + Designer	<i>Representation Matters, 2024</i>
Taubman Fellows Exhibition	Designer	<i>Touch Points: Welcome Home, 2023</i>
Fertile Ground	Project Curator	<i>Inspiring Dialogue About Food Access, 2020</i>
City of Jackson	Designer	<i>Downtown Design Dialogue, 2018</i>
Venice Biennale	Fellow	American Pavilion, <i>Architectural Imagination, 2016</i>
Chicago Biennial	Designer	Francois Roche & Camille Lacadee, <i>Concrete[i]land, 2015</i>

PROJECT MANAGER + DESIGN

DPSCD FMP 1 and FMP 5	Project Manager	9XS Design, Detroit, Michigan, 2023
GEN Salon	Designer and Project Manager	Carbon Office, Jackson, Mississippi, 2021
Farish Street Master Plan	Project Manager	Carbon Office, Jackson, Mississippi, 2021
Summit	Designer	Carbon Office, Jackson, Mississippi, 2021
Spacebar	Designer and Media Manager	Carbon Office, Jackson, Mississippi, 2021
Museum Trail	Designer and Media Manager	Carbon Office, Jackson, Mississippi, 2021
Ecoshed	Designer and Co-Developer	Carbon Office, Jackson, Mississippi, 2020
Fertile Ground	Curator and Project Manager	City of Jackson Long Range Planning, 2019
ONELINE	Designer and Project Manager	City of Jackson Long Range Planning, 2019
PARK(ing) Day	Designer and Project Manager	City of Jackson Long Range Planning, 2018
Open Streets	Designer and Project Manager	City of Jackson Long Range Planning, 2018

MEDIA

The Architect's Newspaper	In Touch Points, UM Taubman Fellows Showcase Their Research in a Group Exhibition
University of Michigan	ArcPrep, 2023
Metropolis Magazine	Cover Feature: New American Practices, 2021
AIGA Eye on Design	How Polished Branding is Shaping a New Generation of Public Parks, 2021
ELGL Podcast	Food Access and Public Art, 2020
19th News	Replanting Roots in a Southern Food Desert, 2020
Civil Eats	Fertile Ground Explores How Jackson is Charting a Better Food Future, 2020
PBS	Fertile Ground Documentary, 2020
MPB Think Radio	Mississippi Arts Hour, 2020
Architecture Newspaper	In Jackson, Mississippi, Architects Are Taking on a Citywide Hunger Problem, 2019

LECTURES + PRESENTATIONS

University of Virginia	Lecture	<i>Food Land: Advocating for Sustainable Food Systems, 2023</i>
University of Pennsylvania	Lecture	<i>Unruly Practice, 2022</i>
University of Michigan	Panel	<i>583 Taubman Alumni Roundtable, 2021</i>
Winter Institute	Workshop	<i>Summer Youth Institute, 2021</i>
University of Utah	Lecture	<i>Professional Practice and Social Entrepreneurship, 2021</i>
Mississippi Arts Commission	Panel	<i>Public Art + Civic Practice, 2020</i>
Princeton University	Panel	<i>Navigating Practice Round-table, 2020</i>
Mississippi Arts Commission	Podcast	<i>Fertile Ground Project, 2020</i>