

# Resume

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## Employment

de la fleur LLC  
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### **Landscape Architect and business owner** (May 2009 - present)

Managing de la fleur LLC and all Landscape Architecture and Design Services with a commitment to Green Solutions, providing Sustainable Design and Engineering products for the large and the small; the private, public, corporate and institutional landscape. Services build on the triple bottom line principles; cater to the green-minded and those seeking environmentally responsible solutions.

Conservation Design Forum, Inc.  
375 W. First Street  
Elmhurst, IL 60126, USA  
www.cdfinc.com

### **Associate** (March 2002 - March 2008), **Senior Associate** (March 2008 - May 2009)

Responsibilities include leadership and project management of sustainable site planning, design, and engineering projects at various scales, some LEED rated or registered. Project scopes include research and compilation of engineering manuals / guidelines on sustainable technologies; sustainable site design with focus on alternative stormwater management solutions; the design and engineering of numerous green roofs; artistic and innovative integration of native vegetation; and living collections planning for botanical institutions. Other responsibilities include tutoring junior staff; managing project staff, project schedules, and project budgets; coordinating multidisciplinary design teams; and construction administration responsibilities.

Anhalt University of Applied Sciences  
Bernburg, Germany  
www.loel.hs-anhalt.de

### **Studio Tutor** (October 2001)

Conducted a three week studio, "European Landscape History", with a focus on Bauhaus gardens for the International Masters of Landscape Architecture Program (MLA). Responsibilities included organization of and participation in field trips, the development of the studio scope (conceptual site design for the Bauhaus Master Buildings in Dessau), determination of the task parameters, organization and coordination of other guest lectures, and organization of individual and group tutorials.

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### **Guest Lecturer** (April 2001)

Conducted a seminar, "European Plants and Planting Design", for the International Masters of Landscape Architecture Program (MLA). The seminar topics covered climatic zones and their impact on plant use and selection; presentation, analysis, and discussion of planting design examples. Other responsibilities included the development of a studio exercise in planting design, and tutoring the MLA students during the project.

The Morton Arboretum  
Lisle, IL (USA)  
www.mortonarb.org

### **Visiting Landscape Architect** (December 1999 - April 2001)

Developed the Collections Master Plan for The Morton Arboretum. This leadership role included coordination of project objectives of various Arboretum departments; researching the Arboretum's history and evolution of its woody plant collections; compiling an internal survey on collections purposes and users; structuring and leading a collections evaluation; and organizing and implementing a landscape assessment by Arboretum visitors. The information served as a decision-making tool in the collaborative planning process leading to the development of a living collections Master Plan.

Royal Botanic Gardens, Kew  
Richmond, Surrey, England  
www.rbgekew.org.uk

### **Horticulturist** (September 1994 - September 1997)

An integral part of the three-year horticultural course at the School of Horticulture is the placement of students in different departments of the Gardens. All assignments provided exposure to state-of-the-art horticultural techniques, conservation methods, and advancement in plant sciences.

**Employment (continued)**

Laugl GmbH  
Gräfelfing, Germany

**Assistant to Supervisor for Landscape Works (April 1994 - August 1994)**

This position included assignments on large-scale site construction projects such as the BMW research facility. Responsibilities included managing sub-sections of the building sites; coordinating labor, machinery, and material deliveries; and ensuring precision and quality of work. The construction work consisted predominantly of hard-scape installations including natural stone pavements, retaining wall construction, stormwater infrastructure, porous pavement installation, and green roofs.

G.-H. Brunken Dipl. Ing, BDLA  
Wachtenberg, Germany

**Landscape Architecture Internship (January 1994 - February 1994)**

Assignments during this internship included the development of several residential landscape designs. Responsibilities included developing concepts and planting designs, refining designs, and producing construction details and specifications.

The National Trust  
Knightshayes Court  
Tiverton, Devon, England

**Horticulture Internship (April 1993 - September 1993)**

This internship in one of the finest National Trust Properties in southwestern England involved tasks such as turf culture, maintenance of classic perennial borders, new plantings of garden areas under development, restoration work in the historic portions of the garden, and arboricultural tasks. The garden's fine and diverse plant collections, including sub-tropical and many southern hemisphere species, provided an excellent opportunity to broaden plant knowledge and horticultural skills.

Landschaftsbau Plodeck GmbH.  
Grabenitz/Waren, Germany

**Manager of Landscape Works (October 1992 - April 1993)**

This position involved the management and coordination of three to four landscape crews. Projects ranged from large scale planting projects, rural and avenue plantings, restoration planting, installation of commercial landscapes, and green roof construction.

Jardininform S.A.  
Lausanne, Switzerland

**Manager of Landscape Works (January 1991 - July 1992)**

This position required the management of small landscape crews on hard- and soft-scape construction. Project work included landscape installation at large-scale housing complexes, large-scale intensive green roof construction and maintenance, and residential installations.

Gerd Haar  
Tübingen, Germany

**Landscape Architect (August 1990 - November 1990)**

Assignment in this small landscape company included work on small- to medium-scale garden installations and maintenance of commercial and residential landscapes.

Ev. Diakonissenhaus  
Detmold, Germany

**Landscape Architect (April 1988 - September 1989)**

Assignment at this several-hundred-acre institution ranged from managing the grounds, constructing new designs on newly acquired properties, working with natural stone materials for paving and dry stack walls, and constructing porous pavement.

Schlichtman und Kiewisch  
Bad Salzuffen, Germany

**Apprenticeship in Landscaping (August 1985 - January 1988)**

This three-year, structured introduction into all aspects of soft- and hard- landscape construction consisted of hands-on learning from site experience through execution. The two and a half years of apprenticeship included one day of academic schooling per week that covered aspects of plant science, horticultural practices, engineering, and construction standards and techniques.

## Education

Masters in Landscape Architecture (1999)  
University of Sheffield, Department of Landscape, England  
[www.shef.ac.uk/landscape/](http://www.shef.ac.uk/landscape/)

Horticulture Diploma (1997)  
School of Horticulture, Royal Botanic Gardens, Kew, Richmond, Surrey, England  
[www.rbgkew.org.uk/education/diploma/index.html](http://www.rbgkew.org.uk/education/diploma/index.html)

## Selected Speaking Engagements

Western Pennsylvania Gardening and Landscaping Symposium (March 14, 2009)  
Chatham University, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania  
One Drop at a Time, New Resourceful Paradigms for the Small Scale

MELA (Midwest Ecological Landscaping Association) 2009 Annual Conference (February 26, 2009)  
Chicago Botanic Garden, Illinois  
Panel Discussion: Nature at work - Creating professional standards for a sustainable green industry

New Jersey American Society of Landscape Architects annual Meeting and Exposition (January 27, 2009)  
Atlantic City, New Jersey  
One Drop at a Time, Effective Stormwater Management at the Residential Scale

Berkshire Botanical Garden, Stockbridge, Massachusetts (November 08, 2008)  
Special Lecture Series  
Water and Sustainable Gardening

Lombard, Illinois (September 13, 2008)  
2008 Illinois Master Gardener Conference - Pathway to a Greener Illinois  
Water Conservation and Runoff Management for the Home Landscape

Langhorne, Pennsylvania (February 21, 2008)  
Land Ethics Symposium - Bowman's Hill Wildflower Preserve  
One Drop at a Time, New Resourceful Paradigms for the Small Scale

Penn State College, Pennsylvania (February 12, 2008)  
Pennsylvania Landscape & Nursery Conference  
One Drop at a Time, New Resourceful Paradigms for the Home Garden

Greenbuild, Chicago, Illinois (November 15 - 19, 2007)  
United States Green Building Council  
Green Roofs

Smith College - Northampton, Massachusetts (September 25, 2007)  
Kahn Institute Lecture: Sustainable House/Home/Community  
One Drop at a Time, New Resourceful Paradigms for the Small Scale

Millersville University, Pennsylvania (June 8, 2007)  
2007 Native Plants in the Landscape Conference  
One Drop at a Time, New Resourceful Paradigms for the Home Garden

Greenbuild, Denver, Colorado (November 15 - 19, 2006)  
United States Green Building Council  
Comprehensive introduction to green roof technology

Planning and Design for Healthy Communities Symposium (May 19 - 20, 2006)  
Indiana University - Purdue University Fort Wayne  
Site development and design

## Selected Speaking Engagements (continued)

Sustainable Stormwater Management (October 25, 2005)  
South-East Michigan Council of Governments, Troy, Michigan  
Can this be done on clay soils? Overcoming obstacles in implementing stormwater BMP's

ANLA 2005 Management Clinic (February 4, 2005)  
Louisville, Kentucky  
Green roof system technology and design

The Second International Green Roof Infrastructure Conference (June 4, 2004)  
Green Roofs for Healthy Cities, Portland, Oregon  
A green roof comparison project: The Illinois EPA-CDF green roof

American Society of Landscape Architects 2003 Annual Meeting (October 31, 2003)  
New Orleans, Louisiana  
The emerging culture of green roof technology

Präriestauden im Öffentlichen Grün - 4. Symposium zur Pflanzenverwendung in der Stadt (October 10 - 11, 2003)  
Weinheim, Germany  
Präriepflanzennutzung in der Ingenieurbiologie und im Regenwassermanagement im Mittleren Westen

Urban Waterfronts (September 12, 2003)  
The Waterfront Center's 21st Annual International Conference, Montreal, Canada  
Green roofs, parking facilities and more

## Publications

Hitchmough, James and de la fleur, Marcus (2006); Establishing North American prairie vegetation in urban parks in northern England: Effect of management and soil type on long-term community development; *Landscape and Urban Planning*, Volume 78, Issue 4; pp. 386-397

De la fleur, Marcus (2005); Incorporating Sustainable Water Principles into the Design of the Whole Garden: Combining the Functional with the Educational; *The Public Garden*, Volume 20, Number 4, American Association of Botanical Gardens and Arboreta; pp.10-11

Hitchmough, James; de la fleur, Marcus; and Findlay, Catherine (2004); Establishing North American prairie vegetation in urban parks in northern England: Part 1. Effect of sowing season, sowing rate and soil type; *Landscape and Urban Planning*, Volume 66, Issue 2; pp. 75-90

De la fleur, Marcus (2002); Hat fashion and diplomacy (outline of planning principles for botanical and horticultural institutions); *Landscape Design*, # 311, June 2002, Journal of the Landscape Institute; pp. 37-39

Kim, Kunso and de la fleur, Marcus (2001); Focus on the Future: The Morton Arboretum's New Master Plan for Collections; *The Public Garden*, Volume 16, Number 2, American Association of Botanical Gardens and Arboreta; pp. 18-21

De la fleur, Marcus (2001); Erfahrung mit der Hochgrasprairie; *Gartenpraxis* 10/2001, Eugen Ulmer, Stuttgart, Germany; pp. 29-33

## Professional Affiliations

Member of the Landscape Institute (Britain)  
Member of the American Society of Landscape Architects (ASLA)  
Member of the American Public Gardens Association (APGA)