



**2014 Board of Director Candidate Bios
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Board Candidates

Barb Anderson, AIA, NCARB, LEED AP BD+C - Oates Associates
Nick Bristow, LEED AP BD+C, CBCP – Clayco / Forum Studio
Christy Cunningham, LEED AP BD+C
George Fujii, LEED AP – Tarlton Corporation
Carolyn Gaidis, RLA, ISA, CLARB, LEED Green Associate - L.A.N.D.+ , LLC
Steve O'Rourke, NABCEP PVTS – Microgrid Solar

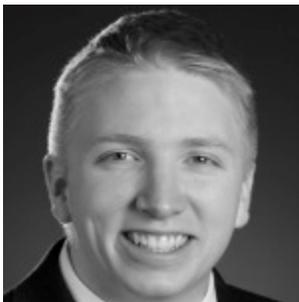


Barbara Anderson, AIA, NCARB, LEED AP BD + C
Oates Associates

Barbara Anderson is an architect and senior project manager at Oates Associates. With over 25 years of experience, she is licensed in Illinois and Missouri with experience in a wide variety of project types including municipal, federal, recreational, educational, health care, correctional, commercial, and hospitality. She has practical experience in sustainability and LEED for New Construction projects.

Barbara has a strong commitment to sustainability and the built environment as shown by her active participation in USGBC-Missouri Gateway Chapter's Advocacy Committee and Speakers Bureau over the past six years. She has given numerous presentations on behalf of the Chapter's volunteer Speakers Bureau, contributed blog posts for the Chapter website and participated in Chapter's inaugural Scholarship task force. Barbara currently serves as Leadership Circle representative to the Board of Directors, Chair of the Advocacy Committee, Green Schools Mentor and member of the Volunteer Speakers Bureau.

Barbara served for several years as a member of the Edwardsville Cool Cities Committee and is also a member of the Madison County Sustainability Technical Committee. As an Illinois resident, she is committed to continuing her focus on outreach to Illinois communities within the Chapter's territory.



Nick Bristow, LEED® AP BD + C, CBCP
Clayco / Forum Studio

Nick Bristow is a Senior Project Engineer at Clayco, one of the largest commercial green builders in the Midwest. As a Professional Engineer, a LEED AP BD+C, LEED AP O+M, Certified Building Commissioning Professional, and a Green Globes Professional, Nick Bristow has in depth green building expertise. His primary responsibilities are certification of green buildings and employee training. Nick has personally been involved with over 40 LEED certified buildings at all levels of certification, including projects using the LEED BD&C 2009, LEED NC v2.2, and LEED CS v2.0 systems. On projects not attempting certification, he often serves as a commissioning agent.

Nick has been a part of the USGBC-Missouri Gateway Chapter for the last 6 years and has served in various committees and different capacities; Nick currently serves on the Program Committee and the Scholarship Task Force. He is also a member of the volunteer Speakers Bureau and served as a volunteer for the LEED Community Pilot project, assisting with the LEED EBO&M certification of the Commerce Bank Center for Science Education. Nick also volunteers for the LEED committee of Habitat for Humanity St. Louis, builder of many LEED Platinum homes, and has contributed to three item writing workshops for the GBCI, maker of the LEED AP and Green Associate exams.



Christy Cunningham, LEED AP BD+C

Christy Cunningham has served as the LEED Project Administrator on over twelve projects and as a team member on over thirty-five LEED projects, acquiring knowledge and skills in the facilitation of visioning and design workshops, project-specific LEED feasibility studies, preparation, administration and maintenance of LEED responsibility matrices and scorecards and coordination, and preparation of LEED submission package(s) and management of the review process with USGBC/GBCI. Christy's background is in biology and environmental education. She has authored green building articles, contributed extensively to a webinar on greening educational facilities and presented many times on the topics of LEED and sustainability.

Christy has been a Chapter Member since 2006 with continual involvement in at least one committee, the Leadership Circle, various task forces and the Board of Directors. Christy served on the Program Committee for five years and has served as an At-Large Member of the Board since 2010. Christy has extensive knowledge of the Chapter's day-to-day operations and organizational structure. She strives to engage members in various capacities and remain approachable, optimistic and open to new ideas, while respecting past practices and methods and offering innovative ideas and solutions to drive the Chapter's mission and vision forward. Christy volunteers for numerous environmental and social equity organizations and also serves on the Board of EarthDance, a local non-profit dedicated to organic farming & education.



George Fujii, LEED AP
Tarlton Corporation

George Fujii is Senior Project Manager and Sustainability Manager at Tarlton Corporation, a St. Louis based General Contracting & Construction Management firm started in 1946. George brings a first-hand perspective on how the local construction industry and owners approach sustainability and LEED. George is a licensed architect and practiced for a decade prior to getting involved with construction. This background allows him to understand the design and construction aspects of the industry, which helps with the collaborative process that is important to LEED projects.

George has been involved with the USGBC-Missouri Gateway Chapter for several years, hosting events and committee meetings and serving on the Education Task Force and the Technical Committee. He has also been a member of the Association of General Contractors of St. Louis' Sustainability Committee, giving numerous lectures on sustainability. George has been the lead for Tarton's participation for the St.

Louis Regional Green Business Challenge, which Tarlton has entered since its' inception in 2011, and he also served on the steering committee that created the blueprint for the Challenge.

George serves on the Board of Trustees at The Wilson School, and is a member of their Buildings & Grounds Committee, which oversaw the reconstruction of the school after a recent fire. George has also served as an Agent where he resides in the Parkview Neighborhood, aiding in the historic street lighting replacement project.



Carolyn Gaidis, RLA, ISA, CLARB, LEED Green Associate
L.A.N.D.+ , LLC

Carolyn Gaidis is a registered Landscape Architect in the State of Missouri and an ISA-Certified Arborist. She has practiced Landscape Architecture for 18 years and has worked on projects ranging from Master Planning to a detailed plaza and waterfall design for the Busch Memorial Student Center at St Louis University. She has been involved in the design conception phase through construction administration for more than 35 constructed projects-many of which have earned LEED certification. Carolyn is a Lecturer at Washington University in St. Louis in the Master of Architecture, Master of Urban Design and Master of Landscape Architecture programs where she teaches sustainable design practices. Her knowledge of storm water management, green infrastructure and LEED credit requirements will be helpful to Chapter educational programming.

Carolyn is currently the Chair of the Chapter's Scholarship Task Force, which includes organizing the annual ECORIDE event. In addition, she would like to be more involved to have a better knowledge of green practices in our community. Carolyn has also been involved in community service through her mayoral appointment to the Forest Park Advisory Board from 1998-2005.



Steve O'Rourke, NABCEP PVTS
Microgrid Solar

Steve O'Rourke is Vice President of Consulting Services for Microgrid Solar, with consulting expertise in a variety of areas of sustainability. Steve shares his passion for renewable energy and energy efficiency through consultation with businesses and non-profit organizations, and by speaking in a variety of forums, including government, academic, and consumer groups. Steve is one of three people in Missouri that hold the Solar Technical Sales Certification from the North American Board of Certified Energy Practitioners (NABCEP), and has been regular guest instructor at St. Louis Community College to prepare others for solar certifications by teaching about the business case for solar. As Microgrid's Green Team Leader, he advocates for sustainability within the company, and shares his knowledge with other participants of the St. Louis Green Business Challenge.

Steve is a strong advocate for sustainability, particularly in green building, and can contribute his knowledge and passion to further the organization's goals. He has been actively involved in the USGBC since 2010 and a member of the Marketing committee since 2012. Steve has served on several boards, including founding board member of the Missouri Energy Efficiency Business Association and as treasurer and vice president on his church's Core Council. Steve is also currently the president of the board of the Robinwood West Community Improvement District, a community of 478 homes in West St. Louis County.