JAMES BELL

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Work Experience

Architectural Trainee

FABRICations., Amsterdam, Netherlands

| 08/2024 - Present

- + Developing a framework manual for the Innovation Quarter in Den Bosch, Netherlands (SO phase), focussing on the Beeldkwaliteitsplan with detailed schemes for building massing, façade design, public spaces, shared streets and slow mobility networks.
- + Developing material, ambiance and atmospheric strategies, during the VO and DO phases, to address the alpine conditions for a private house near Bolzano, Italy.
- + Production and rendering of urban and architectural scale drawings for the final stages of competition for a mixed-use masterplan in Braunschweig, Germany (SO phase), emphasising high-quality visuals to communicate refined materials and spatial organisation.

Language Consultant

Milano Fluency Studio, Milan, Italy

03/2024 - 07/2024

- + Consulted and provided advisory support in the establishment of the Milano Fluency Studio.
- Tutored students in the English Language at the Studio, focussing on fluency and pronunciation.

Design Intern

Transnational Architecture and Urbanism Laboratory

04/2023 - 07/2024 (TAU-Lab), Politecnico di Milano, Milan, Italy

- + Collaborated with Propp Design Studio to reformat and represent publications, research projects and events of TAU-Lab.
- + Streamlined content management and re-categorising TAU-Lab
- + Updated research regarding processes and data observed in projects of transnational architecture firms and conducting data analysis with
- + Enhanced and revised navigability and backend Wordpress functionality, including SEO optimisation and visibility.

Founder + Designer

⊣ LOCALE HOUSE, London, U.K.

09/2020 - Present

- + Founding of Locale House, a data-driven platform for regeneration with a housing framework built around locational data.
- + Focussing on scalability of a platform allowing and facilitating mobility through a membership approach across housing markets.
- + Developed from the Global Grad Show Entrepreneurship Programme and Bachelor's Dissertation.

Entrepreneur - Global Grad Show

Dubai Design Week, Dubai, U.A.E. 09/2020 - 09/2021

- + Selected from over 1600 applicants to be an Entrepreneur in the annual Entrepreneurship Programme.
- + Coaching and guidance from start-up and industry experts for Locale
- + Programme concerned the fundamentals of business development and thinking in strategising a business model, plan, one pager and pitch deck.

Team Leader

Côte, Covent Garden, London, U.K. 02/2018 - 09/2021

- + Coordinated and mentored over 20 joining and existing team members, inclusive of supervisors, in service operations.
- + Motivating and organising the team of 5 to 20 members during service.

Education

Politecnico di Milano 09/2021 - 12/2023

MSc Architecture and Urban Design

Graduation Grade: 110/110 (133/120 Credits)

University of the Arts London

09/2017 - 07/2020 Chelsea College of Arts

BA(Hons) Interior and Spatial Design

First Class Honours

Achievements

Activation of Public Spaces Erasmus+ | 2023 + 2022

+ Workshop Series on Activating Public Spaces by Community Participation.

Krakow University of Technology + Politecnico di Milano

Journey Award for Northern England Student of the Year for North Cumbria

+ Establishment of a registered company, operational for 2 years, as part of the Young Enterprise Programme, as Deputy Managing Director.

Young Enterprise, England, U.K.

Duke of Edinburgh Awards Bronze/Silver/Gold | 2017

Publications

From Obsolescence to Relevance 2023

Politecnico di Milano Master's Thesis

The Value of Space 2020

University of the Arts London Chelsea College of Arts Bachelor's Dissertation

Exhibitions

OpenLAB Series 2022 + 2021

Politecnico di Milano, Milan, Italy

2019 Tate Exchange

Tate Modern, London, U.K.

14-18NOW! 2018

The Rootstein Hopkins Parade Ground, London, U.K.

Royal Horticultural Society (RHS) Art Fair 2018

Lawrence Hall, London, U.K.

Space in Perspective 2018

Cookhouse Gallery, London, U.K.

Young Cumbrian Artist of the Year |2017 + 2016|

The Vallum Gallery, Carlisle, Cumbria, U.K.

Skills

Software

AutoDesk AutoCAD/Revit + Rhino 3D + ArchiCAD + Adobe Suite Photoshop/Illustrator/InDesign + QGIS + V-Ray + Enscape + Grasshopper + Wordpress + Touch Typing

Languages

English Native + French GCE A Level + Italian A2 + Dutch A1