



DHM DESIGN

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Designer

Evan Kwieciën is a landscape designer exploring the holistic integration of natural systems with the built environment. He finds purpose in using the tools of landscape architecture, design, and visual art to create meaningful relationships between people, place, and environment.

NOTABLE WORK

Albert & Bessie Kronkosky State Natural Area | Pipe Creek, TX

The Albert & Bessie Kronkosky State Natural Area near Bourne, Texas is a 3,757-acre property that will become a wildlife park/recreational use area. DHM is supporting a design/build team that will propose development in four primary areas: Entry / Administration / Maintenance, Headquarters, Day use/ Nature Center and Overnight Camp Loop. The project includes in depth study of the surrounding landscape to protect the natural habitats while providing a joyful and educational visitor experience. Special care is being taken to protect sensitive Golden Cheek Warbler Habitat and handle stormwater in a way that protects the extremely erodible soils. In the day use area, a 100-person amphitheater is being developed adjacent to the nature center. One of the goals of the project is to create a space that will remind visitors of the Hill Country of old. The design team is taking special care to utilize rustic materials and elements, such as windmills, limestone and harvested timber from onsite to implement sustainable design practices such as solar panel shades and rainwater capture cisterns. To further connect the visitor with nature, the design includes a boardwalk through the canopy of the trees and will utilize harvested timber for playground structures.

Animas River Trail | Durango, CO

The Animas River Trail (ART) is a 7-mile paved trail that winds along the beautiful Animas River in Durango, CO. This multi-use trail is a vital link connecting the north, south, and downtown areas of Durango. In collaboration with the City of Durango's Parks and Recreation department, the design team is updating several key sections of the trail. Planned improvements include new bridge crossings alongside the trail underpass near US-160 by Santa Rita Park and the river crossing at Demon Bridge north of Durango High School. The project also involves resurfacing parts of the trail and replanting trees and wetland vegetation that were affected. These enhancements will help maintain the Animas River Trail as a central hub for outdoor activities and urban access in Durango.

WorldSprings | The Colony, TX

DHM Design has been working closely with a private client to create a one-of-a-kind outdoor mineral spa experience in The Colony, Texas. The design features over 46 meticulously crafted mineral spas, with temperatures ranging from the mid-80s to the low 100s, catering to a variety of preferences and therapeutic needs. The design teams collaborated with the client to recreate the essence of different global regions within the pools. One of the standout features is a Dead Sea pool, where visitors can float effortlessly in water rich with minerals, simulating the buoyant experience found in the Middle East's iconic natural wonder. Each pool is thoughtfully designed to reflect the unique characteristics of its respective region, offering an immersive, multi-sensory journey that transports guests across the world through the power of mineral-rich waters. The project aims to provide relaxation and wellness and aims to educate visitors on the diverse mineral compositions and their benefits, making it a truly unique destination in the Dallas Metroplex region.

ABOUT

EDUCATION

B. of Landscape Architecture,
University of Oregon, Eugene, 2023
Minor in Planning, Public Policy, and
Management, University of Oregon,
Eugene, 2023

AREAS OF EXPERTISE

Auto CAD
3D Modeling and Visualization
Graphic Renderings
Planting Design
Public Engagement

AWARDS

University of Oregon ASLA Undergraduate
- 2023 Merit Award