Network 2019
Partners Program

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Crosier Kilgour & Partners Ltd.
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EQ3 Ltd.
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HTFC Planning & Design
Kobayashi + Zedda Architects Ltd.
Manitoba Hydro
Manitoba Masonry Institute
Number TEN Architectural Group
Palliser Furniture Upholstery Ltd.
PIDIM
Prairie Architects
Price Industries Ltd.
Public City Architecture
Shelter Canadian Properties Limited
Stantec Architecture
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Faculty Reports

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Connectivity

C.A.S.T. • Murmurate • Product Collection Catalogue • FABLab • Warming Huts • Cooperative Education • Student Ambassadors • Warehouse

Indigenous Design + Planning

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Student Work

Environmental Design • Architecture
• City Planning • Interior Design • Landscape Architecture

Partners Program

Cibinel Architecture Ltd. • Prairie Architects • HTFC Planning and Design

Events / Outreach

2018-2019 Events • Sponsored Lectures
• Atmosphere 2019 • Class of ’65-’68 Reunites • Monument and Spectacle
• Architecture 2 Gallery • Student Meet and Greets • Gold Medal Winner
• Year End Exhibition • Faculty of Architecture • Endowment Fund

Awards

Faculty of Architecture Awards • Gold Medal Recipient • Carl B. Nelson Jr. Teaching Award
Cibenel Architecture

Cibenel Architecture is a professional consulting firm located in Winnipeg, Manitoba, offering personalized service to institutional, corporate, and commercial clients. Having grown into a respected design studio, they focus on innovative solutions that embody meaning in their design.

Cibenel Architecture attracts clients with unique design challenges who are looking for leading edge solutions to building designs. The firm takes a holistic look at the project and its context – the cultural, social, and economic environment; the client’s functional and unique needs; budget and schedule constraints; detail development and construction techniques; as well as the overall mission of the client and post-occupancy satisfaction. It is this understanding that guides the design through to a responsive solution.

The firm is both multi-dimensional and integrated. The 15-person team includes senior level architects and recent graduates, senior technical specialists; a LEED accredited professional, in-house interior designers and graphics specialists.

Since its inception, Cibenel has pursued designs that enable and encourage personal and physical well-being. We create spaces that encourage community engagement, where people can come together and exchange ideas – places where people enjoy being, and are able to thrive and grow. Cibenel had its roots in 1993, in the partnership of Corbett Cibenel Architects; incorporating as Cibenel Architects Ltd., in 2008, and establishing Cibenel Architecture Ltd., to carry on the practice in 2015.

1. Transcona Library, Winnipeg, MB
2. Winnipeg River Heritage Museum, St. Georges, MB
3. University of Manitoba Smartpark Innovation Hub, Winnipeg, MB
Cibinel Architecture
Prairie Architects Inc. continued to build upon its own principles of sustainability this past year. We can now proudly showcase our environmental sustainability and ecological sensitivity with our own recently completed 101 – 139 Market Avenue LEEDv4 Commercial Interiors Platinum certified office. Manitoba’s first and Canada’s second LEEDv4 CI Platinum space and recently awarded Canada Green Building Council’s 2019 Excellence in Green Building - Tenant Improvement award, our office project marks Prairie’s 27th LEED certified building and our 4th LEED Platinum project out of only 10 LEED v4 Platinum projects throughout Canada. We continue to focus on delivering design excellence showcased in a number of significant projects completed for our valued clients:

Building Blocks on Balmoral at Great-West Life is an exemplary case study highlighting Prairie’s successful adaptive re-use of a heritage building and integrating modern building technology. The William E. Milner House, a once vacant and derelict grade III heritage building, now sits at the heart of a much-needed facility providing 100 licensed childcare spots to Great-West Life employees and its surrounding West Broadway community. In addition to the extraordinary measures that Great-West Life undertook to rehabilitate the heritage building, there is another equally impressive story of a transformation that catapulted the building to be among the leaders of sustainable, energy conserving and healthy buildings in Canada, achieving LEED Platinum certification in 2018 and awarded the 2019 SABMag Canadian Green Building Award in the Institutional Small Category.
The City of Winnipeg’s Seven Oaks Pool now showcases a new indoor splash pad – the pool opened in early 2019 as a first of its kind in Winnipeg! The addition and renovation scope targeting LEED Silver certification includes an addition of a large space to house the indoor splash pad and new teach pool. The Project sought to blur the new construction and renovation scope of work while incorporating new universal / family change rooms, universally accessible washrooms, enhanced public viewing lobby, and a new multipurpose room serving as event space for the public.

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The City of Brandon YBR Airport Terminal expansion was designed to accommodate larger airline carriers and modern passenger check-in, screening, boarding, luggage and arrival services. The project team developed a multi-phased approach that maintained seamless daily operation of the terminal and minimized any impact on passenger travel during the full duration of construction. The final phase of operations joined both Phase 1 and Phase 2 resulting in the entire facility being operational in 2018 as scheduled, a process which was executed overnight with zero impact on the daily operations of the facility. The airport terminal is targeting LEED Silver certification.

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Working around a single table, 546 unites the diverse knowledge and experience of twenty professionals. Together, we seek innovative solutions in response to the varied demands of client, context, and program. We believe that great design need not be expensive and continually seek out opportunities to explore and execute affordable, cost effective solutions for buildings and public environments at a variety of scales and typologies.

Projects currently in construction include the James Avenue Pumping Station Apartments, with three new mixed-use residential structures going up along the Red River in Winnipeg’s East Exchange district. The completion of Beacon clinic is anticipated for fall 2019 — a 2-storey, 25,300 sqft commercial hub, its programme is enhanced by the introduction of lightwells, which permeate three distinct clinic spaces, down through main floor commercial uses, and into the parkade structure below. Calgary projects CY33, Lin El One, and “parkade of the future” 9th Avenue Parkade and Innovation Centre are all currently under construction, while recently awarded Saskatoon mixed-use project, CasBa, is expected to transform the former Caswell Bus Barns site into a vibrant residential community designed with artist and maker spaces at its core.

Over the course of this past year, a range of project work was recognized in competitions, publications, and awards, including the James Ave Pumping Station, recipient of a Canadian Architect Award of Merit and named category finalist for Future Residential Project by the esteemed World Architecture Festival for its proposed new builds; 62M, an Azure Award of Merit for best multi-unit residential project; Crossroads Garden Shed, voted Architizer A+ People’s Choice Award for Urban Transformation; Maples Chiropractic Clinic awarded Interior Showcase of the year at the Prairie Wood Design Awards; and a Winnipeg Heritage Preservation Award for the rehabilitation of the Porter Building.

Personal achievements within the office also defined the 2019 year. 546 Associate Kenneth Borton was awarded the Royal Architectural Institute of Canada’s prestigious Young Architect Award for excellence in architecture and contributions to the profession, education and community, while four other graduates of FAUM – Apollinaire Au, Pablo Batista, Jeff Kachkan, and Kelsey McMahon – achieved their professional designations.

Appointed Morgenstern Visiting Chair, 5468796 Architecture conducted a winter studio at the College of Architecture, Illinois Institute of Technology. The Chicago term wrapped with hosting the platform.MIDDLE symposium, where design experts from around the globe were invited to present expertise and workshop ideas around housing. A formal exploration of the propositions, responses, and provocations generated from the symposium is planned for fall publication. In addition to this discourse, the 546 office is constantly working to create parallels in our practice in order to engage iterative, open-ended and ultimately flexible processes in design that allow us to achieve much more than initially imagined.

These highlights are a glimpse into our recent explorations — instead of looking for silver-bullet solutions our practice pursues invention as a way to re-instate legitimacy of Architecture in everyday life. We do so by finding opportunities in the most rudimentary of briefs and re-imagining the role of architecture in our city. While aiming to execute our agenda locally on all fronts, from advocacy to teaching to public engagement and making, our work continues to be recognized throughout the world for its resilience, resourcefulness and the rigorous pursuit of innovation, further inspiring us to re-invent our approach for every new challenge.
1. Final Studio Presentations, College of Architecture, Chicago IIT. 5468796 Architecture
2. 9th Ave Parkade. Calgary, AB. 5468796 Architecture
3. 9th Ave Parkade Future Conversion. Calgary, AB. 5468796 Architecture
4. James Ave Pumping Station, Winnipeg, MB. 5468796 Architecture
2019 is a milestone year for HTFC Planning & Design as we celebrate 50 years of practice as a firm. It is with reflection on a half-century of design practice in Manitoba, the prairies and across Canada, and anticipation of what lies ahead at a time when the fields of landscape architecture and planning are rapidly changing, that we find ourselves drawing on our roots to inspire our future. We believe our professions and our collaborative approach to our work are more important than ever as Canada faces complex environmental challenges and a new ways of living together through multiculturalism and reconciliation.

HTFC was founded by Garry Hilderman, a graduate of the University of California, Berkeley, who chose to return home to Winnipeg in 1969 to start Hilderman & Associates. Garry’s pioneering spirit and belief in the importance of the connection between people and land at all scales, helped expand the definition of landscape architecture on the Prairies. His growing practice branched into land management, landscape planning, economic development and sustainable design and eventually evolving into the multidisciplinary firm we are today.

HTFC strives to do the right thing for the land and the people we work with in each of our projects while often charting the path to new ways of doing things in the process. Our work and our willingness to push the boundaries of our profession have been recognized with many community and professional awards over the last 50 years. But the value of our practice is much more than awards. For us it is about developing meaningful relationships, creating vibrant, healthy and sustaining environments, and helping our clients to plan, realize and manage their best future. Here are a few of the things we are undertaking in our 50th year to give back to our community and to celebrate this journey.

**HTFC Planning and Design Canadian Indigenous Design and Planning Fellowship.** To mark our milestone anniversary, we wanted to give back to the University of Manitoba, through the establishment of a Canadian Indigenous Design and Planning Fellowship. This annual $5,000 scholarship is awarded to a graduate student in the Planning and Landscape Architecture Departments of the Faculty of Architecture who demonstrates a strong interest and commitment to Indigenous planning or design. We are very excited to support the first HTFC Fellowship recipient, Naomi Ratte (U of M B.Env,D. 2016), as she begins her Masters of Landscape and Urbanism degree at the U of M in the fall of 2019. Naomi, a Peguis First Nation member, is interested in studying how to honour the past, present and future generations of Indigenous peoples through landscape while embracing an Indigenous voice throughout the design process. As the incoming President of the Landscape Architecture Students Association, Naomi wants to bring Indigenous issues into greater focus and importance at the school, encouraging both her peers and the faculty to explore their place and their future roles in the story of Truth and Reconciliation.

HTFC has specialized in Indigenous Design and Planning since the early 1970s, working closely with communities across Manitoba and Canada on a variety of work from land claims, community planning and traditional knowledge studies to the design of culturally significant public spaces such as the Oodena Celebration Circle at the Forks. We believe it is our responsibility as an established firm who pioneered work in this area of practice to support the growth of Indigenous planning and design at the University of Manitoba. Intake for this scholarship will occur in April and May of each year. Information regarding the eligibility, criteria, and 2020 application deadline can be found at: https://umanitoba.ca/faculties/architecture/award/HTFCCanadianIndigenousDesignandPlanningFellowship.html

**Landmarks: Pivotal Moments in a Half Century of Design.** Building on a two year run of Winnipeg Free Press articles that focused on raising public awareness of the design of the environment that
is all around us and sustains us every day, HTFC is continuing our partnership with the Free Press by hosting a series of deeper conversations about the landmark plans, partnerships and places that have shaped our province. In this next series entitled **Landmarks**, we focus on pivotal moments, when new ideas altered the course of development and influenced how we see ourselves and our communities. Each article follows the changing public discourse around these moments over the last half-century, and examines them within wider social, cultural and political contexts to draw lessons for the future. The June 2019 premiere article ‘**Landmarks: The Path Forward**’ explores the evolution of provincial parks planning in Manitoba using the first project officially recorded in HTFC’s books - the 1969 Whiteshell Provincial Park Master Plan - as a jumping off point for discussion around the purpose, creation and management of provincial parks then, now and into the future. Upcoming Landmarks articles arriving to newstands and digital tablets this year will focus on educational design, urban density and renewal, and transportation planning. All articles are archived and can be found at [HTFC.ca](http://HTFC.ca).

**Office Redux.** When HTFC (then Hilderman Feir Witty and Associates) first moved in to the newly renovated Brokerage building in Winnipeg’s East Exchange district, a CN rail spur ran along what is now Waterfront Drive, and the neighbourhood was void of sidewalks, cafés, or roundabouts. The transformation of heritage-classed warehouses into residential and cultural spaces was just beginning. The Brokerage was originally built as a 5-story grocery wholesale warehouse in 1899. The substantial open floor plate, exposed brick walls, fir posts and roof decking, and top floor arched windows has generously offered a number of workspace variations for HTFC for over three decades. In the last few years, a growing staff complement combined with the need for more flexible meeting and social space (and much emphasis on a functional kitchen), spurred an ambitious renovation to the fifth floor and a refresh of the fourth floor. Local furniture makers and artists have contributed to the finer details of custom white oak meeting tables, a re-imagined cast iron planter from the building’s original boiler, and a hand painted wall mural inspired by an 1806 northern Manitoba waterways map of Indigenous land based knowledge of medicinal and mid-boreal plants. We are thankful to the artists and our friends at Number TEN Architectural Group for their design and attention to detail that inspires and delights us every day. Consider this your invitation to come by and see for yourself – the kitchen is always open!

**Social Lite.** Over the course of this celebratory year, the HTFC social media team is curating a weekly series under the banner **50 Things #htfc50** consisting of past gems, iconic projects, and some not so serious moments in our history scoured from the archives. And no anniversary is complete without a party – or in our case several. A number of celebrations are planned for our colleagues and collaborators, a fall homecoming for former staff, and a client family winterfest at Oodena Celebration Circle in early 2020.

We extend our sincerity and gratitude to all of the HTFC family who have gone before us and to the many others who have been at our side helping to shape a great 50 years of practice. We look forward to charting new horizons with all our colleagues and collaborators across the country as we embark together on new opportunities and challenges the future holds.

1. Katherine Boyer, 2019
2. Oodena Celebration Circle, The Forks, Winnipeg