

Inter·pre·tive Solutions

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PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

1995 – Present: President, Interpretive Solutions, Inc., Philadelphia, PA

As Principal-in-Charge, Peter manages integrated interpretive planning, exhibit development services and visitor center feasibility studies for museums, historic sites, libraries and other cultural institutions. He is responsible for client communications, project tracking, cost estimating, space allocation planning, media development planning options, signage programming and owner's representation for fabrication and capital improvements associated with interpretive master planning and exhibit development project implementation. His major projects in recent years have included:

- Preparation of the National Water Trail plan, including a “gap analysis” assessment of boat landings and carry-in access locations along the Fox River and on Lake Winnebago for the Fox-Wisconsin Heritage Parkway, Appleton, WI.
- Ongoing production of videotaped oral history interviews for Thornbury Township, Delaware County, Pennsylvania to document the 20th century life experiences of its residents. [Ongoing since 2012].
- Management, exhibit design services and production of media for the Pennsylvania Military College Museum's “polo exhibit” at Widener University, Chester, PA.
- Ongoing administration of IS' IDIQ interpretive planning contract for the National Park Service, Harpers Ferry Center, WV.
- Administration of interpretation planning projects under a 5 –year IDIQ contract awarded by the Pennsylvania Department of General Services for the Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission. Awarded 2013.
- Signage programming, media development and project implementation services for 17 lock system operated by the Fox River Navigation Authority, Kaukauna, WI. Conceptual design phase completed April 2014.
- Management of exhibit development, scripting and interpretive signage programming, design and fabrication services for parking garage facility operated by Red Rose Transit Authority, Lancaster, PA. Installation completed May 2014.
- Management of two IDIQ exhibit development services contracts awarded by the Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission for 24 historic sites statewide (1996 to 2007).

- Ongoing client liaison and contract management services for the architectural programming and museum exhibit planning phases for the new National Library of Latvia project in Riga, Latvia (Gunnar Birkerts, FAIA, Architect). Work completed under a term-contract with Hill International (construction manager), Marlton, NJ (1994 -2008), Construction completed January 2014.
- Production of National Library flythrough video for fund raising and PR information distribution by Latvia's Ministry of Culture and presentation of briefings to UNESCO on the progress of the project, Paris, France.
- Development of a conceptual thematic plan for the Rare Books Collection of the National Library of Latvia, 1993-1994.

1993 -1994: Contracts Administrator, Hill International, Inc.

- *National Museum of the American Indian (NMAI) construction at the George Gustave Heye Center for Smithsonian Institution's Office of Construction, New York, NY.* Responsible for developing and maintaining contract information tracking system for the construction phase of the \$24 million custom house interior restoration. (Term Contract).

1991 -1993: Associate Manager, Office of Capital Planning & Construction

- *The New York Public Library (NYPL), New York, NY.* Responsible for developing and maintaining a construction information tracking system for NYPL's \$200 million library capital program.

1989 - 1991: Principal, Clausen/Dajevskis Associates

- Managed exhibit development and design of interpretive waysides and directional signage system for Queens Zoo at former New York World's Fair grounds in Flushing, NY for the New York City Department of Parks & Recreation in association with the Wildlife Conservation Society (Bronx Zoo).
- *Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission, Harrisburg, PA* Responsible for managing development, design and installation phases of interpretive exhibits for two state historic sites at Morton Homestead and Governor Printz Park near Philadelphia International Airport (subcontractor to Frens & Frens, Architects).
- *Philadelphia Electric Company (PEC), Real Estate Division), Philadelphia, PA* Managed exhibit development, design services and construction contracting for development of exhibits at historic Lock 15 canal site on the Susquehanna River.

1987 -1989 Planning Administrator, Planning Office

The Brooklyn Museum, Brooklyn, New York

Responsible for coordinating master plan development, space planning and facility management tasks. Museum liaison to James Stewart Polshek, Architects.

1983 - 1987 Managing Partner,

Affordable Design Associates, New York, NY

Managed graphic design firm specializing in custom screen printing of interpretive signage for museums and non-profit organizations in New York City.

1978 - 1982 **Manager, Technical Services Division**

Tri-State Regional Planning Commission, New York, NY

Provided technical and policy analysis for regional economic development plans for the metropolitan region of New York, New Jersey and Connecticut.

1975 - 1978 **Research Associate, Institute for Social and Environmental Studies**

The University of Kansas, Lawrence, KS

1972 - 1975 **Research Assistant, Bureau of Ethnic Research**

The University of Arizona, Tucson, AZ

OTHER EXPERIENCE

1967 and **Field Archaeologist, River Basin Salvage Archaeology**

1969 The University of Missouri, Columbia, MO

EDUCATION

1975 M.S., Urban Planning, University of Arizona

1972 M.A., Anthropology, University of Arizona

1970 B.A., Anthropology, Queens College of the City University of New York