

# Chip Kaufman

## Curriculum Vitae



Director, Urban Design  
and Architecture  
Ecologically Sustainable  
Design Pty Ltd  
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### Qualifications and Professional Affiliations

- Bachelor of Arts in Architecture and Urban Planning, (Princeton University), 1971
- Master of Fine Arts in Drawing & Photography, (University of Texas), 1974
- Licensed architect in California since 1981 & in Australia since 1997
- Founding Member of the Congress for the New Urbanism, USA

### Professional Background

Chip Kaufman is an urban designer and licensed architect, with professional experience in Australia, New Zealand, USA, Canada, China and the UK. Chip established and ran an architecture firm in North America from 1983 to 1994, concentrating more on urban design from 1989 onwards. Chip moved to Australia in 1994 and established ESD as a specialist New Urbanism and architecture consultancy.

### Since 1994: Director Urban Design and Architecture, Ecologically Sustainable Design

Chip introduced the charrette process to Australia in 1992. Charrettes for which he has been leader and/or lead designer include Cranbourne, Echuca, East Richmond and North Geelong Charrettes for the Victorian Urban Village Project, Gerringong, Petrie, Carole Park, Tullimbar, New Lynn, Villawood, Midland, Katoomba, Kiama, South Melbourne and Northcote. Chip has also led dozens of design workshops. Chip has either been the Project Director, or played a key design role, in virtually all projects listed in ESD's Firm Profile. Chip authored and continues to refine the Client's Charrette Preparation Manual, a detailed guide for clients in preparing for all sorts of Enquiry-by-Design initiatives.

Chip manages development applications for large and complex urban projects, such as Tullimbar Village, a mixed-use urban extension for an ultimate population of about 5,000, now under construction.

Chip also preliminarily designs mixed-use and medium-density buildings as well as specific civic and community buildings.

Chip regularly presents at national and international conferences. These have included presentations on Mixed Use Development, Collaborative Design Processes and Sustainable Urbanism. For example, Chip presented to the Santa Fe New Urbanist Council on Urban Coding (October, 2002) and he keynoted the 1999 UK Conference on Sustainable Urban Extensions, jointly sponsored by the Prince of Wales and the UK Government Department of Environment, Transport and Regions and keynoted at the Second Australian Congress for New Urbanism in Sydney, August 2005.

Relevant recent projects and clients where Chip has had principal involvement include:

- 'Tullamick' Transit-oriented urban extension proposal for an ultimate population of 130,000, Melbourne (for a Landowner consortium)
- Wodonga - Systemic review of planning based on New Urbanism, including detailed design concept for Leneva Valley (City of Wodonga)
- Lead urban designer/architect/project manager for Tullimbar Village, NSW (Miltonbrook)
- Charrette Leader, South Melbourne Central Planning Forum, Vic (City of Port Phillip)

### **1992-93: Urban Design, Canada**

Chip established ESD (Canada) in Victoria, British Columbia, between 1992 and 1994. He was the Town Architect for Bamberton, a new town project for 12,000 people, and then produced a sustainable growth management plan for the Comox Valley area of Vancouver Island.

### **1989 - 92: Western States Office affiliated with Duany & Plater-Zyberk (DPZ)**

From 1989-92 and based in Sacramento, California, Chip ran this affiliated office for DPZ Architects and Town Planners, leaders in the New Urbanism movement. By 1992 DPZ had planned over one hundred towns and urban centre revitalisations internationally, including Seaside and Kentlands. Chip was involved as urban designer and architect in fifteen of those projects, several of which he managed and initiated.

### **1983 - 89: Chip Kaufman and Associates (Architecture)**

Chip founded and ran his own small architecture firm in Sacramento, California, designing many passive solar residences of varying sizes, a few shopping centres and office buildings, the award-winning adaptive re-uses of several National Register historic buildings into restaurants, and the widely acclaimed and whimsical Owl Cafe in Albuquerque, New Mexico.

### **1978 - 1983: Architect**

Chip did his architectural apprenticeship in several firms across the American West in Austin, Albuquerque, San Diego and San Francisco. His experience included detached and multi-family residences.

### **1974 - 77: Gruene, Texas, USA**

In 1974 Chip 'discovered' the virtually deserted historic village of Gruene, about to be razed by its new owners. Chip persuaded its new owners to allow it to be restored to serve as the village centre for their surrounding development. He then co-ordinated its adaptive re-use and economic revival, and triggered its designation on the National Register of Historic Places. Chip then purchased, designed, built and managed the adaptive re-use of the ruins of a large river-powered gristmill in Gruene into a thriving restaurant overlooking the Guadalupe River. The Gristmill Restaurant now seats 800 guests and is known internationally.