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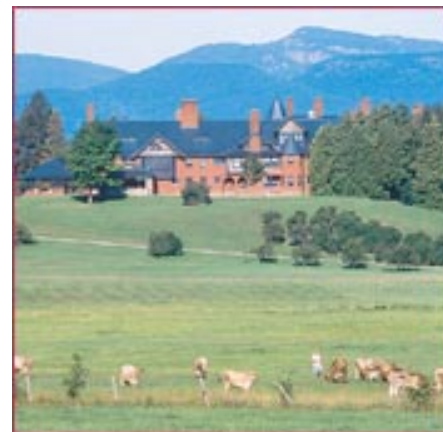
Mike Horgan first came to Yestermorrow in 2006 for a weekend *Electricity* workshop, and has returned

Designing and Building a Sustainable Future

May 2009 Newsletter

Yestermorrow Students to Work on Shelburne Farms Master Planning

Students embarking on the Core Curriculum of Yestermorrow's [Certificate in Sustainable Building and Design](#) program later this month will delve into a real world design exercise with the not-for-profit agricultural and educational organization based at Vermont's historic [Shelburne Farms](#). The 1400-acre property, originally designed by Frederick Law Olmstead, is a national historic landmark, working model farm, and environmental education center.



Students in this three-week Core Curriculum, called [Ecological Design in the Built Environment](#) will perform site analysis, and then begin designing a cluster of on-site employee housing units and community meeting spaces that strive for the highest standards of sustainable design principles.

for seven other classes since then, including *Design for Builders*, *Re-Defining Small Business*, and *Concrete Countertops*. Each class has been a step forward in developing his business -- Horgan Associates Design/Build -- on Cape Cod, with a goal of creating a model for socially and environmentally responsible building. He's working hard to transform his business and educate his clients about the importance of the decisions they make in the design and building process.

He recently wrote "Yesterday is like a little haven to me. I love being there and being around people who are as passionate about what they're doing as I would like to think I am, and who freely pass along the information they have and their years and years of experience to people like me. Every time I am there, I feel extremely privileged, as the school pushes me to learn something new, the instructors push me in great ways, and I learn more than I ever thought I could absorb. I use the information from my classes, literally, every single day." [Read more of Mike's story on our website.](#)

Quick Links

Class Spotlight: Regenerative Design & Development: The Practice of Living System Design

The leading edge of the sustainable building movement is beginning to push the envelope beyond the greening of conventional buildings, into the territory of regenerative design and development -- the process of integrating buildings, communities, and their inhabitants as healthy contributors to the living places of which they are a part. This course begins with the practical essentials of building system integration -- the process required to achieve affordable and effective environmental design. Deeper technical system integration will also be addressed relating to the design of buildings that function as organisms -- net positive energy generators and clean water contributors (Living Buildings).

This new course, to be taught by three pioneers in the fields of sustainable, integrated, and regenerative design -- [Bill Reed](#), [John Boecker](#), and [Joel Glanzberg](#) -- will provide a rare opportunity to explore the design world's cutting edge with some of the field's pre-eminent practitioners. Course dates are June 28 to July 3.

Click here to learn more about the [Regenerative Design & Development](#) course. To register, click [here](#) for online registration, email shannon@yestermorrow.org or call us at 888-496-5541.



Bike and Build

Jason Holland, former Yestermorrow intern (Summer 2006), is embarking on an adventure of a lifetime this summer as part of the national [Bike and Build](#) program, cycling across the country and volunteering on building projects. Jason is from Huntsville, Alabama and graduated from Auburn University last year with a degree in Architecture. After graduation he travelled to Costa Rica and spent 5 months volunteering at a sustainable living and environmental learning center, Rancho Mastatal. Through fund-raising cycling trips, Bike & Build raises money for and awareness of affordable housing efforts. Their trips act as a catalyst to build homes, foster the spirit of service, and empower young adults... mile by mile, house by house. His goal is to raise \$4,000 before the ride starts June 20. You can support him and

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follow his progress across the country [online](#) as he cycles from Portsmouth, NH to Vancouver, BC and blogs about his experience.

International Society of Fabric Forming

Yestermorrow is excited to announce that it will host the annual workshop of the [International Society of Fabric Forming \(ISOFF\)](#), geared towards educators, practitioners, and students. Around the globe, from cutting-edge research in universities and institutes, to contractors and architects working in the field, fabric forming is a significant new force in concrete construction. This one-week event will bring together the world's leading innovators in the field to share techniques and strategies, while forming and pouring a series of concrete architectural components that allow for high efficiency, thermally massive, durable and sustainable structures. Participants will tour local architecture projects that use fabric form work and examine case studies to learn about the science and art of building with concrete.



The workshop will be held at Yestermorrow August 24-28 and is being co-sponsored by The School of Architecture and Art at Norwich University. Participants can register for the full week-long program (\$1,200) or a 1-day Friday session which includes hands-on casting and tour of local structures (\$200). AIA continuing education credits available. Call Yestermorrow for more information - 888-496-5541.

Meet Faculty and Staff

Join us for an introduction to Yestermorrow Design/Build School, see a slide show of our campus and recent class projects, and meet faculty members at two upcoming public information sessions. Learn more about the over 150 classes we offer annually in design, construction, woodworking and more, including our certificate programs in Sustainable Building and Design and Natural Building. Free and open to the public.

Philadelphia - Thursday, May 7th - 7:00-8:00pm
Philadelphia Center for Architecture, 1218 Arch St

New York City - Monday, May 11th - 7:00-8:00pm
City College Architectural Center, 140th St./Convent Ave.

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