

Alaric has a landscape, urban design and planning mindset, specialising in climate resilience and natural system design. He works with cities, community advocates and landowners to reveal the immense ecological and cultural potential of public landscapes.

As Principal, Alaric translates research into practice, leading the design and implementation of complex, multi-stakeholder landscapes—including public waterfronts, regional systems, parks, plazas, streets and climate adaptation plans.

Working across a multitude of scales and typologies, Alaric leads firm-wide design standards, ensuring excellence from concept through construction, contributing sustainable design value to projects, both in Australia and internationally.

With a focus on social action and cyclical value, Alaric harnesses the resilient growth and adaptive qualities of natural systems. This has led him to deliver award-winning interventions that solve a multitude of urban constraints and social issues. He is known for leading complex, creative and collaborative work processes that advance broad environmental and social prerogatives.

His previous experience in strategy at the City of Melbourne has given him an acute understanding of government process and the importance of city shaping to develop resilient and socially inclusive communities.

Qualifications

- Registered Landscape Architect
- Master of Landscape Architecture and Urban Design, Leeds Metropolitan University
- Bachelor of Landscape Architecture (hons), Leeds Metropolitan University

Project Experience with REALMstudios

Eric Avenue Public Realm, VIC
West Street Vision Study, VIC
Glenochy Civic Heart Masterplan, TAS
Melville Street Public Realm, TAS
Frankston Revitalisation Action Plan, VIC
Copperfield Drive Demonstration Project, NSW
5million Trees for Greater Sydney, NSW
University of Tasmania Southern Masterplan, TAS
Moonee Ponds Creek Re-naturalisation Plan, VIC
Moonee Valley Open Space Plan, VIC
Geelong Growth Areas IWM Plan, VIC
Macquarie Point Public Realm & Urban Design Framework, NSW
Saltwater Creek Masterplan, QLD
Macquarie Centre Plaza, NSW
Upper Stoney Creek Revitalisation Plan, VIC
Maribyrnong Waterfront IWM Plan, VIC

Previous Project

Experience:

Macaulay Public Realm Masterplan, VIC
Arden Structure Plan, VIC
Fishermans Bend Public Realm and Urban Design Precinct Plan, VIC
Kurching Youth Plaza, Malaysia
Fremantle Youth Plaza, WA
Julia Reserve, Oran Park, NSW
Dubai Youth Park, UAE
Bradford City Park, UK
Media City UK, UK
Number One Riverside, UK
Wellington Place, UK
Little London, Beeston, Holbeck Sustainable Communities, UK

Professional History

2019 - REALMstudios - Senior Landscape Architect
2017-2019 - City of Melbourne - Strategic Planner and Urban Designer
2015-2017 - Convic - Senior Landscape Architect
2015 - University of Melbourne, Sessional Tutor
2015 - GDA - Landscape Architect
2008-2014 - Gillespies - Landscape Architect

Practice Principal

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A black and white portrait of Alaric Hellawell, a man with dark hair, smiling and looking slightly to the left. He is wearing a dark t-shirt. The background is a light, textured grey.

Alaric Hellawell