

## **ABSTRACT**

**SCRC Series:** Lewis Clarke Oral Histories Project – MC 00191

**Field Notes:** James Brooks Breeden (compiled November 16, 2011)

**Interviewee:** JAMES BROOKS (“BROOKS”) BREEDEN

**Interviewer:** Yona R. Owens

**Interview Date:** Monday, July 18, 2011

**Location:** Pinehurst, North Carolina

**Length:** Approximately 113 minutes

The interview was conducted in Breeden’s living room. The interview questions allowed him to recall his days as a student at the North Carolina State University School (now College) of Design; relate profile information about Lewis Clarke, Willard Byrd, Harry Baldwin, and Herbert Owens; reveal how he became involved with software development; and discuss the landscape architecture profession.

### **Tape Log**

00:00:10	Where from and how got interested in landscape architecture
00:01:30	Year started and year graduated, classmates, how different year students worked together, what were the classes like, how conducted, project assignments, names of teachers, painting and sculpture studios
00:06:15	Discussion about landscape architecture professors, West Coast influence, anecdote about Francis Dean of EDAW
00:09:58	Impression of Kamphoefner and anecdote about meeting seminars at his house
00:15:00	More about the seminars at Kamphoefner’s, summing up School of Design philosophy take away
00:17:00	After graduation, work with Willard Byrd
00:21:47	Working with Harry Baldwin in Atlanta, Georgia
00:24:00	University of Georgia and Hubert Owens
00:29:24	Move to Columbus and Ohio State University, Jot Carpenter, what drew him to teaching, publications, and evaluation course
00:34:16	Recalling Lewis Clarke’s teaching methodology and reasons not to use it
00:41:30	Developing LARCH Software
01:19:34	Teaching in Australia
01:25:00	Change in the definition of landscape architecture, how it interfaces now with architecture, new urbanism versus old urbanism, planned communities
01:31:30	Economy’s affect on landscape architecture profession
01:33:00	Landscape architecture of the future, great projects of the past compared to present, park and memorial focus
01:39:40	Will landscape architects practice in space?
01:42:10	Advice to landscape architecture students considering teaching careers, problems with hiring graduates from the department
01:51:22	Important thing to know about Brooks Breeden
01:53:39	End of interview