

CURRICULUM VITAE

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PRINCIPAL QUALIFICATIONS

2008 - 2009 University of Dublin, Trinity College, Dublin.
Postgraduate Diploma in Applied Building Repair and Conservation.
Thesis: Energy Efficiency Of Historic Buildings In Ireland In The Context Of The EU Energy Performance Of Buildings Directive (EPBD) 2002
Overall result: Distinction (See Paper No. 1)

1998 Royal Institute of the Architects of Ireland
Certificate in Professional Practice.

1988 - 1994 University of Dublin, Trinity College, Dublin.
Bachelor of Architectural Science

Bolton St. College of Technology, Dublin.
Diploma in Architecture

Overall result: Second class Honours Grade 1.

SECONDARY QUALIFICATIONS

2012 RIAI grade II Architect Accredited in Conservation

2011 Registered on Irish Georgian Society Traditional Skills Database

2009 Appointed to Heritage Council Conservation Panel

2007 Registered with SEAI as commercial & domestic building energy rating assessor

2006 RIAI accredited Health & Safety Project Supervisor Design Process (PSDP)

2004 RIAI Built Environment Project Management Course & PMP certification/membership of Project Management International

2003 RIAI grade III Architect Accredited in Conservation

PUBLISHED WORK:

- 2013 "Built to Last" study for Dublin City Council/Heritage Council of energy efficiency in pre-1945 historic dwellings in Dublin City (due for publication end of 2017)
- 2012 "Caution with Glass Box Extensions" - technical article in the Winter 2012 edition of Selfbuild magazine.
- 2011 Low energy A2 rated house in Mount Merrion, Co. Dublin featured in Sunday Times, Irish Times supplement, Selfbuild magazine, & Plan Magazine.
- 2010 Slane Barn low energy conversion published in May/June 2010 edition of Construct Ireland.
- 2009 Article entitled "*Does Old Mean Cold? – Balancing Conservation and Energy Conservation*" published in September 2009 edition of Construct Ireland.
- 2002 Ratoath Childcare Centre feature in November edition of Irish Architect
- 2002 "Moatlands" residential scheme feature in RIAI "The New Housing" publication.

PUBLIC SPEAKING/PRESENTATIONS:

- 2014 Presented "Built to Last" Dublin City Council research project at Better Building Conference, Croke Park, Dublin in April
- 2012 Part L 2011 Compliance & Domestic Insulations presentations at Spring & Autumn Ideal Home Show, RDS Dublin
- 2011 Dublin Civic Trust Energy Efficiency in Traditional Buildings Seminar Presentation on case study of energy upgrading options/analysis
- 2009 Cultivate Green Building User Group Energy Ratings of Protected Structures

AWARDS/NOMINATIONS:

- 2014 Shortlisted to Irish Georgian Society 2014 Conservation Awards for works to house at Greenore, Co. Louth.
- 2011 Navan Community Childcare facility nominated in 2011 LAMA Awards as Best Community Based Initiative
- 2007 Nominated in best architect category in 2007 LAMA Awards

Foreign Languages: French (conversational).

Driving Particulars: Own car & full class B driving licence.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE - PRIVATE PRACTICE

Jan 2000- present

**Fergal McGirl Architects,
10 North Great Georges St.,
Dublin 1.**

Established private practice in January 2000. We have carried out a wide variety of projects including village design proposals, nursing/retirement home, community childcare facilities and various other commercial and domestic projects (see www.fmgarchitects.ie) for up to date details.

The following selected projects are noted which dealt with historic/protected structures:

Dublin City Council Built to Last Study

Dublin City Council & The Heritage Council commissioned us in association with Building Life Consultancy & IHER to carry out an extensive study to examine the energy characteristics and upgrade potential of pre-1945 historic housing in Dublin. The document is in draft form and due for publication in 2017.

Drogheda North Lighthouse

Drogheda Port Authority commissioned us in 2016 to prepare a conservation management plan for the North Lighthouse at Mornington, Co. Meath. The report specified and prioritised a programme of works which are being phased on annual basis supported by local authority funding.

St. Mary's Church, Ravensdale, Co. Louth

We prepared a comprehensive Conservation Management Plan for the Protected Structure in 2015 as well as detailed roof surveys to support a planning application for a programme of re-roofing works

Carstown House, Carstown, Co. Louth

We carried out a report and specification in 2015 to address lead theft and vandalism that had taken place at this Protected Structure of National Importance. We were responsible for emergency works were carried out in 2016 commissioned by Louth County Council.

The Bungalows, Greenore, Co. Louth.

We carried out a complete programme of conservation works and essential fire upgrading to an unusual Victorian timber-framed house that originally formed part of the Greenore Hotel. (The project was shortlisted in Irish Georgian Society 2014 Conservation Awards)

Appletree Foundation, Dundalk

A Conservation Management Plan was prepared which has informed an ongoing programme of repairs and improvements to disabled access to a youth resource centre located in a protected structure in Dundalk

Moygaddy House Heritage Impact Assessment

Report prepared to assess impact of proposed commercial development masterplan to lands adjacent to Moygaddy House, Moygaddy, Co. Meath.

Lismullen Graig Design Statement

A graig design statement pilot study was prepared for Lismullen, Co. Meath in conjunction with Meath County Council Planning Department. The document identifies the distinctive character of the settlement and to provide recommendations as to how new development can harmonise with the existing settlement form. The report specifically addresses issues such as the landscape character setting of the area as well as proposing design guidelines and objectives for the area.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE – POSTGRADUATE

<i>Period</i>	<i>Employer/Activities.</i>
January - April 1995.	Richard Hurley & Associates, 1 Mount Street Crescent, Dublin 2. (Grade I conservation architects) Member of design team for conservation/alterations to St. Marys & St. Annes Cathedral, Cork city (protected structure).
Sept. 1995 - Oct. 1996	Hamilton Young & Associates, 12 Terenure Road East, Dublin 6. (Grade I conservation architects) Employed as architect to work on a range of commercial, industrial and domestic projects including extension to Zion School, Bushy Park Road, Dublin 6 (protected structure)
October 1996 – Jan 2000	Arthur Gibney & Partners, 20 Harcourt Street, Dublin 2. Employed as project architect to a range of inner city commercial developments including St. Stephen's Green which involved the conservation and integration of 3 & 4 Harcourt Street which are listed as National Monuments.