

## CURRICULUM VITAE

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#### Degrees

**1978-1980** Master of Architecture in Urban Design, Harvard University, Cambridge, USA

**1971-1977** Arquitecto, Universidad Simón Bolívar, Caracas, Venezuela

#### Academic Experience

**2013-Present** Associate Professor of Practice in the Departments of City Planning and Landscape Architecture and Regional Planning at the Weitzman School of Design of the University of Pennsylvania. Teaches the Urban Design Certificate and Interdisciplinary Elective Studios with emphasis on the Global South, and the course Case Studies and Design Explorations for the Department of City and Regional Planning. Main areas of research: Improvement and Growth of New Settlements in peri-urban areas where urbanization results in loss of biodiversity, agricultural landscapes, and where communities are at risk, or affected by climate change. Mentoring students developing Independent Studios and visiting doctoral students and researchers.

**2008-2013** Full-time Lecturer, Department of Landscape Architecture and Department of City and Regional Planning University of Pennsylvania

**2002-2008** Visiting Lecturer, Department of Landscape Architecture, University of Pennsylvania

**1996-2008** Professor, Maestría en Diseño Urbano, Universidad Metropolitana, Caracas  
Taught studios and core courses. Thesis advisor.

**1998-2008** Director of the Mayor's Institute in City Design, Universidad Metropolitana, Caracas  
Selected participating Mayors, performed site visits, selected case studies, edited dossiers and organized sessions (over 350 Mayors attended). Organized follow-up sessions with Mayors, council members, technical staff, developers and communities. Conceived and taught courses on municipal managerial and technical skills.

**2002-2003** Chairman, Urban Design Program, Universidad Metropolitana, Caracas

Organized and supervised all academic and administrative areas: Fundraising, Fostering Inter-institutional Agreements, Course Teaching, Visiting Professors Chairs, extracurricular programs, conferences, consulting, and joint ventures with local and foreign universities and governments.

- 1996-2008** Tenured Professor, Department of Urban Planning, Universidad Simón Bolívar  
Taught Urban Design Studios and Thesis. Consulted for the *Instituto de Estudios Regionales y Urbanos* on architectural and urban projects.
- 1980-1996** Tenured Professor, Department of Architecture, Universidad Simón Bolívar  
Taught Architectural and Urban Design Studios. Thesis Advisor. Organized exhibitions and seminars.
- 1987-1991** Chairman, Department of Architecture, Universidad Simón Bolívar  
Changed academic curricula from 6 to a 5-year program. Selected Visiting Professors, Coordinated Thesis Program, Extension courses, and Academic joint ventures. Provided technical assistance programs for local governments and communities. Organized first joint studios with Harvard University GSD, sponsored by Petróleos de Venezuela, S.A. Offered technical support to communities and local governments.

## Professional Experience

- 2022-present** **Committee of Local Sustainable Practices of the Academy of the Venezuelan National Academy of Engineering and Habitat Sciences.**
- Member of the Board and Co-Coordinator of the Ecological Urban and Neighborhood Orchards Program / Pilot Project: Maracaibo, Zulia State.
- 2009-present** **Independent Work**
- Consultant on the project of a coastal residential district in Cartagena, Colombia, for Diego Bermúdez y Asociados, 2021
  - Restoration of a Colonial house in the historic district of La Pastora, Caracas, Venezuela, 2020-21
  - Restoration and adaptation to tourist facilities of a 13<sup>th</sup> Century edifice in the town of La Vilella, El Priorato, Catalonia, Spain, in collaboration with Nuri Bofill, 2018-20
  - Consultant for the Rehabilitation of the Botanical Garden of Maracaibo, Ven, 2017-20
  - Consultant for the Rehabilitation of Avenida 5 de Julio, Maracaibo, Venezuela, 2018
  - Participant in the Centro Administrative Competition for Bogota, Colombia, 2017
  - Assessment of Existing Conditions of Ciudad Plaza, Valencia, Venezuela, 2016.
  - Participant in the Medellin River Park Competition. August 2016.
  - Plan Strategic Planning Consultant for Penn-Praxis/PennDesign for the development of the Urban Vision for Harare-2040, Zimbabwe. 2014
  - Urban Design and Landscape Architecture Consultant for La Carlota Competition for the extension of Parque del Este (by Roberto Burle Marx), Caracas, Venezuela. 2013
  - Facilitator of Changing Landscape Workshop for the European Landscape Convention
  - Urban Design Consultant for the relocation of the town of Chaitén (destroyed by a volcanic eruptions), for the Ministry of Housing, Chile, 2008.

**1998-2009      Project manager of the *Centro de Diseño Urbano*, Universidad Metropolitana, Caracas**

- The architectural design of the Municipal Theatre of Barinas, State of Barinas
- Plan for the Rehabilitation of the Littoral Central, devastated by torrential flooding for the Ministerio de Ciencia y Tecnología, State of Vargas, Venezuela
- Urban Design Plan for Lechería, State of Anzoátegui, Venezuela
- Transportation, pedestrianization and urban design plan for San Felix, Ciudad Guayana, State of Bolívar, Venezuela
- Urban Design Plan for the CBD of Alta Vista, Ciudad Guayana, State of Bolívar, Venezuela
- Urban design Plan for el Triángulo del Este, State of Lara, Venezuela
- Creation of development agency for the historic district of La Pastora, Caracas , Venezuela.

**1995-1996      Adjunct Secretary, Ministry of Urban Development of Venezuela**

Implemented decentralization programs to enhance regional and local planning skills, with the support of ministerial agencies.

Implemented by-national technical assistance programs to improve municipal management, city planning, transportation, solid waste disposal, tourism, taxation, with the support of GTZ (from Germany) and Citès Unies Development (from France).

**1991-1995      National Director of Urbanism. Ministry of Urban Development of Venezuela**

Managed and enacted Metropolitan, urban, and local plans, in collaboration with National, regional, municipal agencies, Universities, the private sector, and communities.

- Coordinated Plan for the Rehabilitation of Informal Settlements of Metropolitan Caracas (for a population of approx. 1,4 million inhabitants). This planning effort resulted in numerous interventions in specific barrios in Caracas its methodology was used to guide national programs for the improvement of informal areas throughout the country.
- Approved the first 90 Local Master Plans, and an additional 140 Urban Design and Historic Preservations Plans, completed following the 1987 Urban Planning Law.
- Coordinated strategic planning workshops for the Metropolitan Plans of Maracaibo, Maracay, San Cristóbal, Barquisimeto, Ciudad Guayana, and Puerto La Cruz, with the participation of Federal, Regional and Local agencies, as well as the private sector and communities.
- Organized and provided technical consulting for the rehabilitation of historic districts of Maracaibo, Coro (UNESCO World Heritage Site), Porlamar, Choroní, La Victoria, and towns in the Venezuelan Andes, with the participation of local authorities.

**1986-2000      Principal, Bofill, Gouverneur y Asociados -Architecture, Planning and Urban Design**

- Project manager for the urban design plan of CBD and historic district of Valencia, State of Carabobo.
- Project manager for the urban design plan of a mixed-use expansion of Valencia, State of Carabobo (Sector Sur-Hipódromo, for 200,000 inhabitants).
- Architecture of the first phase of residential development in Sur-Hipódromo, State of Carabobo (3,000 dwellings).
- Architectural design of Las Virtudes Shopping Mall, Punto Fijo, State of Falcón.
- Consultant for the layout and architecture of Adaro, a residential development, J Judibana, State of Falcón.
- Project Manager for a new high school in Judibana, State of Falcón.
- Project Manager for an urban design plan of the oil-based new town of Judibana, State of Falcón.
- Project manager for the architecture of a hotel and resort apartments, La Samanita, Margarita Island.
- Project Manager for special zoning of the central area of 5 small agricultural and local tourism-oriented towns in the Barlovento region.
- Project Manager for the rehabilitation and design of new facilities for an open-air amphitheater in Bello Monte, Caracas.

**Awards, Honors, and Appointments**

- 2018** National Award in the Publication Category of the XIII Venezuelan Architecture Biennale 2019, for *Diseño de Nuevos Asentamientos Informales*, Fondos Editoriales de EAFIT/Universidad de La Salle, Colombia, 2016
- 2017** National Award of Architecture, Biennial of Architecture of Caracas. As Consultant for the Rehabilitation of the Botanical Garden of Maracaibo, originally designed by Roberto Burle Marx
- 2014** Appointed Honorary Professor of Universidad Rafael Urdaneta, Maracaibo, Venezuela
- 2014** Award for the Best Article, granted by the technical committee at conference on Informal Settlements, Cairo University, Cairo, Egypt, for the “Informal Armatures Approach”.
- 2013** G. Holmes Perking Award as Visiting Lecturer, University of Pennsylvania.
- 2008** G. Holmes Perking Award as Associate Professor, University of Pennsylvania.
- 2001** National Award of Architecture, X Biennial of Architecture of Caracas, in the Architecture, Urban Planning and Publication Categories, for *Rehabilitacion del Litoral Central*, as project manager of The Urban Design Center at Universidad Metropolitana.
- 1995** Orden Andres Bello, Venezuelan Government. Awarded for service at the Ministry of Urban Development.

### Student Awards for Projects in which I Acted as Academic Advisor

- 2022**      **ULI Hines student Award.** Site: Old Oakland, CA. Project by; Azarai Hernandez, Derek Deitsch, Julius Venuti, Yanhao Chai, Pushpahasa Reddy Vennapusa
- 2022**      **ASLA student Housing and Community Honor Award.** Site: Candelaria, Toa Baja, Puerto Rico. Project: Yihan Huang, Zhimin Ma, Linsa Ge, Ruoxin Jia.
- 2021**      **ASLA student Urban Design Honor Award.** Site: Comité del Pueblo – La Bota, Quito, Ecuador. Project: Ming Yang Sun, Siying Xu, Shiqi Ming
- 2020**      **ALSA student Urban Design Honor Award 2020,** Site: Villa Nueva, Ciudad de Guatemala, project by Zihan Zhu and Xu Han
- 2020**      **Urban Land Institute Student Competition (ULI), Honorable mention**  
Site: Mid-town Miami, Florida. Project 2018 by Francisco Ospina, Tobin Stuff
- 2018**      **Olmstead Undergraduate Landscape Award**  
Kharina Ramos (University of Massachusetts, Amherst)
- 2011**      **ASLA Student Competition for individual work**  
Site: New Orleans/Iberville, Presented by Karen Lutsky.
- 2010**      **Urban Land Institute Student Competition (ULI), Honorable mention**  
Site: Seattle, Washington State, Team leader: Kimberley Davies.
- 2009**      **Urban Land Institute Student Competition (ULI), Honorable mention**  
Site: Denver, Colorado, Team leader: Noah Chrismer.
- 2008**      **ASLA Student Competition 2008 Award for group work, 2009.**  
Site: Choroni, Venezuela, Presented by: Nicolás Koof y Marissa Bersnstein.
- 2008**      **Urban Land Institute Student Competition (ULI), Honorable mention**  
First Prize. Site: Cedars, Dallas, Texas. Team leader: Sachi Pandey. Finalist. Team: Maritza Mercado. Team leader: Zev Moses.
- 2008**      **ASLA Student Competition Award for individual work.**  
Site: Baltimore's Waterfront, New Jersey. Presented by: Amelia Magida.  
Edmund Bacon Foundation: Rebuild/Revive Student Competition  
Site: Ludlow, Philadelphia. Team leader Linda Meckel.
- 2007**      **ASLA Student Competition Award for group work**  
Site: Barrio Santo Domingo, Medellín, Colombia. Presented by Kimberly Cooper and Rebecca Fuchs.
- ASLA Student Competition Award for individual work**  
Site: Camden Waterfront, New Jersey. Presented by: Noah Levy.

## Publications

D. Gouverneur, 2022, Article: Informality, Included in the Landscape Project, Edited by Richard Weller and Tatum Hands.

D. Gouverneur, 2022, Article: No time to Lose: Fostering the Predominantly Informal City in Latin America, *Informality and the City – Theories, Actions, Interventions*. Edited by Gregory Marinic and Pablo Meninato. Foreword by Christian Werthmann.

D. Gouverneur, 2021, Counteracting the Negative Effects of Real Estate-Driven Urbanism + Empowering the Self-Constructed City, in *Cities Without Capitalism*, Edited by Hossein Sadri and Senem Zeybekoglu

Weller RJ, Z. Drozd, D. Gouverneur and B. Ye, 2021. The Hotspot Cities Project: The Case Study of Bogotá 2050. *JoLA: Journal of Landscape Architecture*.

D.Gouverneur, 2021, Capacity Building and Education in Latin America. Contributions and Limitations of the Venezuelan and Colombian Experiences, Lessons Looking into the Future, Resilient Urban Regeneration in Informal Settlements in the Tropics. Carracedo García-Villalba, Oscar (Ed)

D.Gouverneur, 2020, Making a difference in the predominantly informal city” Chapter 10, In *Slums: How Informal Real-Estate Markets Work*, edited by Eugenie L. Birch, Shahana Chattaraj, and Susan M. Wachter, University of Pennsylvania Press, Philadelphia, USA

D.Gouverneur, 2019, The Latin American Landscape 2019 Latin American Landscapes: A Mosaic of Enhanced influences, *Landscape Architecture Journal*, Beijing, China (Chinese translation by Xian Luanli, Denk Ke)

D.Gouverneur, 2018, Los soportes informales: La ciudad informal emergente y el pasaje de la periferia, en *Las III jornadas del; Paisaje de Gran Canaria*, Cabildo de Gran Canaria, Spain

D.Gouverneur, 2016, “Diseño de Nuevos Asentamientos Informales”, Fondos Editoriales de la Universidad de La Salle, Bogotá y EAFIT, Medellín, Colombia

D.Gouverneur, 2015, Planning and Design of New Informal Settlements” in *Tendencies of New Urbanism, Investigating Informal Urbanism*, Editor Tigran Haas, KTH, Stockholm, Sweden

D.Gouverneur, 2014, Planning and Design for Future Informal Settlements: Shaping the Self-Constructed City,” *Routledge*, Oxford, UK

D.Gouverneur, 2013, Revisiting Urban Renewal: Alternative for Public Housing in Las Palmas de Gran Canaria,” *PennDesign*, Philadelphia, USA

D.Gouverneur, 2011, From War Zone to Place of Peace” in *Transforming Urban Environments in Women’s Health and World Cities*, edited by Afaf Ibrahim Meleis, Eugenie L. Birch, and Susan M. Wachter, University of Pennsylvania Press, Philadelphia, USA

D.Gouverneur, 2009, 1939/2009-Offset Paesaggio, in Vincenzo Gioffrè (a cura di), *Casa Editrice Libri*, Melfi, Malta

D.Gouverneur, 2009, Venezuela: Modernity Contextualized” in Caribbean Modern Architecture, Archivos de Arquitectura Antillana, 034 UTech Jamaica/MoMA, Santo Domingo, Dominican Republic

D.Gouverneur and Oscar Grauer, 2008, Urban Connectors, Fostering a Non-Hierarchical Integration of Formal and Informal Settlements, Harvard Design Magazine, Number 28, Cambridge, USA

D.Gouverneur, 2008, Dentre y Fuera de la Academia. Aportes de la comunidad, Cuadernos Unimetanos, edited by Universidad Metropolitana, Caracas, Venezuela

D.Gouverneur and T.Lee, 2008, Topics in Representation,” Blurb.com, Penn Design, (Limited Edition).

D.Gouverneur, 2007, The Caracas Metropolitan System: The Urban-Region”, Assessing the Middle Landscape: City and Region. Case Studies: Sabana de Bogotá, Colombia, and the Capital Region of Caracas, Venezuela, Harvard Design School/Universidad de Los Andes/ Universidad Metropolitana de Caracas/Ediciones Uniandes, Bogotá, Colombia.

D.Gouverneur, 2006, Desarrollo sustentable y gestión local, Aportes para una ciudad sustentable, Universidad Metropolitana, Caracas, Venezuela.

D.Gouverneur and Oscar Grauer, 2005, Rehabilitating the Littoral Central in Venezuela: How to Convert a Tragedy into an Opportunity, in Reinventing the Destination: Reflections on the Contemporary Space for Tourism” in EU especiales de urbanismo, Universidad Metropolitana, Caracas, Venezuela.

D.Gouverneur and O.Grauer, 2001, Rehabilitando El Litoral Central, Venezuela, Quaderns -Tierra Usada-, Barcelona, Spain

D.Gouverneur and O.Grauer, 2000, Rehabilitación de El Litoral Central/ Redevelopment of El Litoral Central,” Oscar Todtmann Editors, Caracas, Venezuela. (Bilingual publication in collaboration with the GSD/Harvard University).

D. Gouverneur and O.Grauer, De los asentamientos informales a la ciudad: Los “barrios” de Caracas, Quaderns -Paisajes Urbanos- Barcelona, Spain

D. Gouverneur and O. Grauer, 1999, To ignore or integrate: On the barrios of Caracas,” Harvard Design Magazine, Cambridge, USA

D.Gouverneur, 1998, La ciudad democrática, in Ciudad y Ciudadanía, Embajada de Francia, Caracas, Venezuela.

D.Gouverneur, 1998, Continuidad o ruptura, in Filosofías de la Ciudad, Universidad Simón Bolívar, Caracas, Venezuela

D.Gouverneur and O. Grauer, 1997 Studies for the Enlargement the Industrial Town of Judibana/ Urban Design Proposals for Sargent's Wharf - North End,” Universidad Simón Bolívar, Caracas, Venezuela/ Harvard GSD, Cambridge, MA, USA

D.Gouverneur, 1997, Urban Change and the Caracas Metro," in Spazio e Società International Magazine, #39. Genoa, Italy.

D.Gouverneur, 1998, La ciudad democrática, in Ciudad y Ciudadanía, Embajada de Francia, Caracas, Venezuela.

D.Gouverneur, 1998, Continuidad o ruptura, in Filosofías de la Ciudad, Universidad Simón Bolívar, Caracas, Venezuela

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D.Gouverneur, 1997, Urban Change and the Caracas Metro," in Spazio e Società International Magazine, #39. Genoa, Italy.

## **Conferences & Seminars**

### **1985-Present**

Lectured in over 350 conferences and seminars in North and South America, Europe, Egypt, and China, on Regional and City Planning, Urban Design, and Landscape Architecture. Lectures include topics on peri-urban urbanism, informal settlements, improvement of historic districts and low-income communities; revitalization of commercial corridors and CBD; impact of public transportation on urban fabric; creation of new centralities, mixed-use districts and large-scale; rehabilitation of areas affected by natural events, conflict resolution, and the benefits of online design education.

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