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### Professional Affiliation

Royal Institute of Dutch Architects (BNA)  
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### Education

2001-2004                      *MLA with distinction*  
Master of Landscape Architecture  
al&d, University of Toronto, Toronto

1993-1997                     *BFA with honors*  
Bachelor of Fine Arts  
Concordia University, Montréal

### Honors & Awards

2014                              Rockefeller Foundation Grant, SCR, phase 2-3 with Princeton University (Co-PI)  
Canada Council for the Arts, International Travel Grant  
Québec Arts Council, Project Grant

2013                              Graham Foundation for the Arts, Research and Pre-publication Grant (PI)  
Rockefeller Foundation Grant, SCR, phase 1 with Princeton University (Co-PI)  
China Fund, Design Research Grant, Harvard Graduate School of Design (PI)

2012                              Daniel Urban Kiley Fellowship Award, Harvard Graduate School of Design  
Student Forum, Excellence in Teaching Award Harvard Graduate School of Design  
Junior Faculty Research Grant, Dean's Award Harvard Graduate School of Design (PI)

2011                              Basissubsidie, Fonds BKVB, Amsterdam, NL

2007                              Praktijkverdieping, Fonds BKVB, Amsterdam, NL

2004                              The Heather M. Reisman Gold Medal for Thesis Design, (Daniels)  
American Society of Landscape Architects, Certificate of Honor (ASLA)

2003                              Ontario Graduate Scholarship of Academic Merit (OGS)  
Ontario Association of Landscape Architects Scholarship (OALA)  
Landscape Architecture Endowment Scholarship, Toronto (Daniels)  
University of Toronto Advanced Planning for Students, Grant

2002                              MLA entrance Scholarship Award, University of Toronto, (Daniels)  
Dean's Fellowship Award, University of Toronto, (Daniels)

## Academic Appointments

- 2014- **Assistant Professor in Landscape Architecture**  
Graduate School of Design, Harvard University  
**Co-Director**, Master of Design Studies, Risk and Resilience Research Unit  
Co-Coordinator, 2nd Semester Core, MLA Program  
Director, Career Discovery in Landscape Architecture, GSD, Harvard University
- 2013 **Daniel Urban Kiley Fellow**, Graduate School of Design, Harvard University  
Director, Career Discovery in Landscape Architecture, GSD, Harvard University
- 2012 **Visiting Lecturer** in Landscape Architecture, GSD, Harvard University
- 2011 **Studio Coordinator** Academie Bouwkunst, Amsterdam Architecture Academy  
**Studio Coordinator** Gerrit Rietveld Academie, Architecture Department, Amsterdam

## Academic Service

- 2015  
GSD Member, Student Sanctions Committee  
GSD Member, Dean's Committee for Website Redesign  
GSD Academic Director, Landscape Architecture Career Discovery Program  
JURY, Jardins de Metis International Garden Festival Selection Committee  
JURY, Daniel Urban Kiley Teaching Fellowship, with Charles Waldheim  
-Various review panels including GSD, MIT and UPENN
- 2014  
GSD Member, Admissions Committee, Department of Landscape Architecture  
GSD Member, Dean's Committee for Website Redesign  
GSD Member, Kiley Fellowship Committee, Department of Landscape Architecture  
GSD Academic Director, Landscape Architecture Career Discovery Program  
-Various review panels including GSD, UPENN, and IIT
- 2013  
GSD Faculty Editor, Platform 6 publication, with Dean Mohsen Mostafavi  
GSD Faculty Curator, Platform 6 exhibition, Gund Hall, with Dean Mohsen Mostafavi  
GSD Member, Admissions Committee, Department of Landscape Architecture  
GSD Academic Director, Landscape Architecture Career Discovery Program  
JoLA Journal of Landscape Architecture, Peer Review Committee (various)  
EDRA New Orleans, Peer Review Committee, Conference  
-Various review panels including GSD, UvA, and Sam Fox School of Design
- 2012  
GSD Member, Admissions Committee, Department of Landscape Architecture  
JoLA Journal of Landscape Architecture, Peer Review Committee  
-Various review panels including GSD, Northeastern University, and Rietveld Academie
- 2011  
Academie Bouwkunst, co-development of Landscape Department Courses  
Rietveld Academie, Architecture Department, Course Development  
Rietveld Academie, Architecture Department, Admissions Committee
- 2010  
AMFI: Amsterdam Fashion Institute: Spring Semester Studio Critic [invited]  
Rietveld Academie, Architecture Department, Admissions Committee

### **Academic Research Reports**

- "Live Matter", Research Catalogue, at Radcliffe Institute for Advanced Study and Academic Ventures, Johnson-Kulukundis Gallery, Harvard University in collaboration with Botany Libraries. USA (May 2015)
- "Cultivating Scale: Planting the Desert" *Funded Research for Publication*, Prepared for Graham Foundation for the Arts, Chicago. (September 2014)
- "Ocean State" in *SCR: Structures of Coastal Resilience* edited by Guy Nordensen, Princeton University. Prepared for Rockefeller Foundation and US Army Corps of Engineers. Phase 2 (May 2014) [www.structuresofcoastalresilience.com](http://www.structuresofcoastalresilience.com)
- "Ocean State" in *SCR: Structures of Coastal Resilience* edited by Guy Nordensen, Princeton University. Prepared for Rockefeller Foundation and US Army Corps of Engineers. Phase 1 (January 2014)

### **Select Exhibitions of Creative Work**

- "Live Matter", Installation at Radcliffe Institute for Advanced Study, Johnson-Kulukundis Family Gallery, Byerly Hall, Radcliffe Institute, Harvard University in collaboration with Arnold Arboretum. USA (*upcoming* May 2015)
- "SCR: Structures of Coastal Resilience" with Michael Van Valkenburgh, Guy Nordensen, Paul Lewis, Anuranda de Mathur, Dilip da Cunha and Catherine Seavitt. Cabinet Magazine Gallery. USA (March 2015)
- "Ocean State", as part of SCR: Structures of Coastal Resilience. Cabinet Magazine Gallery. USA (Dec 2014)
- "Grounded Visionaries", Gund Hall Gallery, at Harvard University Graduate School of Design. USA (September 2014)
- "Platform 6" Gund Hall Gallery, at Harvard University Graduate School of Design. USA (March 2014)
- "Tiny Taxonomy" Installation, at Belgrave Square, Grosvenor Estates, Chelsea Fringe Festival. UK (May 2014)
- "Tiny Taxonomy" Installation, at Isabella Stewart Gardner Museum. Boston, USA (2013)
- "Tiny Taxonomy" Installation, at Festival International de Jardins de Métis. Québec, Canada (Ongoing 2010-14)
- "Ghana: An Organic Experience" at CASLA, Centre for Architecture, Almere, NL. (December 2011)
- "Cultiver Son Jardin" Centre de Design de L'UQAM, Montréal, Québec: (2010)

### **Select Public Lectures**

- "Live Matter" with Professor Yukio Lippit, Radcliffe Institute, (May 2015)
- "Launching Tiny Taxonomy at Chelsea Fringe" Belgrave Hotel, Chelsea Fringe Festival, Grosvenor Estates (May 2014)
- "Rosetta S. Elkin: Recent Work" with Tim Richardson, as part of Chelsea Garden Show, Grosvenor Estates (May 2014)
- "GSD Talks: Rosetta S. Elkin" Harvard University Graduate School of Design (April 2014)
- "Editing Pedagogy: Platform 6" with Kiel Moe, Van Alen Institute, New York City, (February 2014)
- "Ocean State" Museum of Modern Art (MoMa) New York City, with Guy Nordensen, Princeton University, SCR Structures of Coastal Resilience (January 2014)
- "Live Matters in Landscape Architecture" Smith College, Landscape Studies Program, Northampton (December 2013)
- "Rosetta S. Elkin in Conversation with Charles Waldheim" Public Lecture at The Isabella Stewart Gardner Museum, Calderwood Hall (June 2013)
- "Rosetta S. Elkin: Recent Work" Harvard University Graduate School of Design, Gund Hall (June 2013)
- "Tiny Taxonomy" Private Lecture at The Isabella Stewart Gardner Museum, Calderwood Hall (May 2013)
- "Tiny Taxonomy: Meet the Growers" at The Isabella Stewart Gardner Museum, Calderwood Hall (May 2013)
- "Planting the Desert" Designing Nature as Infrastructure, Invited Conference. TUM, Munich (November 2012)

## Select Publications | Editorial & Design

Elkin, R.S. "Tiny Taxonomy: The Genus of Three Gardens" Actar Publishing (*under contract*, 2015)

Elkin, R.S. "What is Energy?" Actar Publishing, Authored by Sanford Kwinter and Kiel Moe, executive editor. (2015)

Elkin, R.S. "Platform 6: A Year of Research through Studio Work, Theses, Lectures, Exhibitions and Events" executive editor, editorial design and curation of content. (2013)

## Select Published Articles

Elkin, R.S. "Found in Front of Henry Gray: On Fieldwork, Collecting and Displacement" in *Landscapes, Paysage: Landscape Architecture Magazine, Canada*. (March 2015, V. 6) trans. French

Elkin, R.S. "Desertification and the Rise of Defense Ecology" in *Portal 9* (Issue 4, Solidere, Beirut 2014) trans. Arabic

Elkin, R.S. "Planting the Desert: Cultivating Green Wall Infrastructure" in *Revising Green Infrastructure: Concepts Between Nature* (TUM Technical University Munich, Taylor & Francis, 2014) Chapter 16.

Elkin, R.S. "Editing Pedagogy" in *Platform 6* (GSD, Actar 2013)

Elkin, R.S. "Planting the Desert: The Chinese Three North Shelterbelt Project" in *Topos* (No.82, 2013)

Elkin, R.S. "Tiny Taxonomy" in *Mole Journal* (Waterloo, 2013)

Elkin, R.S. "Tiny Taxonomy" Newspaper Text, Illustration and Annotation, *with Siena Scarff* (2013)

Elkin, R.S. "Tiny Taxonomy, A Short History" in *Isabella Stewart Gardner Catalogue* (2013)

Elkin, R.S. "The Plant versus the State" in *Conditions Magazine* (No. 310, 2010)

Elkin, R.S. "The Landscape Masterplan: Riga Port City" in *International New Landscape* (2007)

Elkin, R.S. "Landscape Strategies for Riga Port City" in *UNESCO Heritage* (2006)

## Professional Landscape Architectural Practice | Select Projects

2008-2015

### RSE Landscape | Principal & Founder | Design Studio

Hortus Conclusus. Installation, Form Foundation, Grijzenhout, Den Haag, NL [built]

Tiny Taxonomy, Installation, Les Jardins de Metis, QC [International call for proposals, awarded]

International Kaohsiung Port Design Competition. De Architecten Cie. Taiwan. [awarded]

The Oases Project, Libya. Design research, Inside Outside, OMA/AMO Architects [invited]

Ferry Terminal, Sibenik, Croatia: de Architecten Cie. Winning competition entry. [invited]

Open Fort 400, Amsterdam: The Form Foundation, Arup Engineers. [Honorable Mention]

Education City: Headquarters Building, Qatar: Inside Outside, OMA Architects. [invited]

2004-2008

### Inside Outside | Senior Project Manager | Design Studio, Amsterdam

Shenzhen Stock Exchange Building, China: OMA Architects, Inside Outside, ARUP Engineers, 2x4 Graphic Design, SADI Design Institute. Project Manager. [built]

CCTV Media Park, Beijing, China, OMA architects, EDSA China [built]

Riga Port City Landscape Masterplan, OMA architects, Riga, Latvia

Dubai Renaissance Tower and Business Bay, UAE, OMA architects and ARUP engineers

SNU Seoul National University Seoul, Korea, OMA architects [built]