

LIZ TILLEY

PROFILE

Highly creative artist, designer, and naturalist with experience in fashion, costume, landscape, furniture, and event design. Excellent collaborative and interpersonal skills; adept in understanding and synthesizing the needs of disparate parties. Passionate about the environment and the practice of clean, thoughtful, sustaining design. Expertise with California native plants and habitat creation. Deeply committed to using creative talents to foster community and high quality of life. Skilled in working as a player in projects large in scope and scale.

EXPERIENCE

PRINCIPAL, LIZ TILLEY DESIGNS OAKLAND, CA 2000-PRESENT

- Produce creative landscape designs for residential clients in California
- Collaborate with and direct landscape contractors during the installation process
- Successfully meet deadlines and maintain extremely high quality standards
- And! Design and create one-of-a-kind and custom hat and accessories for stores and private clients

DESIGN ASSOCIATE, MARIPOSA GARDENING AND DESIGN, BERKELEY, CA 2008-2010

- Guided clients through the entire design process
- Developed site plans and conceptual designs for residential/urban gardens
- Created final plans, material callouts and takeoffs, estimated project costs
- Collaborated with Contractor during installation: field design, plant and feature placement
- Created, published and maintained company website and newsletter

DESIGN ASSISTANT, EVO DESIGN STEAMBOAT SPRINGS, CO 2007-2009

- Assisted Principal in creating programming concepts and developing plant palettes
- Performed extensive field design and construction oversight

MILLINER, SAN FRANCISCO OPERA SAN FRANCISCO, CA 1998-2005

- Managed and motivated millinery team within strict time, quality, and budgetary constraints
- Synthesized differing aesthetic and functional criteria to meet the needs of designers, directors, and singers

DESIGNER, CO-FOUNDER, CLOUD FACTORY DESIGN COLLECTIVE WEST COAST, 1999-2004

- Designed and made clothing and accessory collections for fashion performances and sales
- Worked collectively on production-design, planning, promotion and ticket sales for events

EDUCATION

BFA-California College of Arts and Crafts, Oakland/San Francisco 2000
Permaculture Design Certificate-Occidental Arts and Ecology Center, 2009

AWARDS

2010 Sunset Western Garden Award, San Francisco Flower and Garden Show, in collaboration with Mariposa Gardening and Design