



Charles Thomson 2012

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Name: Charles Thomson, LEED AP

Title: Associate Principal

Company: Swanke Hayden Connell Architects

Location: New York, N.Y.

Birthplace: Milwaukee, Wisc.

Family: Girlfriend, Heidi

College: BA, Univ. of Minn.; MArch, Univ. of Wisconsin-Milwaukee

First job outside of real estate: I was a cook at a place called Edwardo's during summer breaks.

First job in real estate or allied field: A firm called CM Architecture in Minneapolis

What do you do now and what are you planning for the future? At SHCA we have a commitment to responsible stewardship of our environment through design. We are designing a range of interesting projects right now, from architecture projects abroad to large interiors projects here in N.Y. Our team of architects, interior designers, environmental graphic designers and historic preservation specialists strive each day to create buildings and spaces that inspire and delight, as well as meet the AIA 2030 Challenge of carbon neutral design.

Hobbies: Skiing, running, pool

Favorite book: "The Old Man and the Sea"

Favorite movie: "Spirited Away" or "The Empire Strikes Back"

Persons you admire most (outside of family): Miyazaki, The Eames, Jeff Tweedy

Keys to success: Being surrounded with talented people and enjoying the process

If you had to choose another vocation what would it be? Film director or chef