

## **Professional Profile: David Black 2015**

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Name: David Black, AIA, LEED GA

Title: Associate

Company: FXFOWLE Location: New York, NY Birthplace: Atlanta, GA

Education: B.S., Georgia Institute of Technology / M.Arch, University of Illinois at Chicago

First job outside of real estate: Cook at a pizza joint

First job in real estate or allied field: Demolition crew on a strip mall in North Carolina.

What do you do now and what are you planning for the future? I am the project architect for The Ashland, a new high-rise residential building in Brooklyn, which is currently under construction. I am looking forward to starting the process all over again with a new project.

How do you unwind from a busy day in real estate? Cycling [solo], watching my daughters play organized and unorganized sports.

Favorite book or author: Lately Haruki Murakami continues to captivate me.

Favorite movie: Recently "Whiplash," has some interesting parallels in architecture.

Last song you purchased/downloaded? Boards of Canada. Very geometric.

One word to describe your work environment: Exhilarating.

Rules to live by in business: Love what you do. To quote Chicago planner and architect of the Flatiron Daniel Burnham, "Make no little plans." My role as architect is part geometrician, part illusionist.

If you could invite one person to dinner (living or dead) who would it be and where would you go? Henry Miller, Paris 1935.

What is your dream job? Novelist.

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