



Dott. Sc. For. Marco Battaglia, MLI

EXPERIENCE

Marco Battaglia has worked as a landscape architect for more than 15 years. Together with American landscape architect, Philip Adiutori, they formed FormaTerra in the autumn of 2007 a planning and landscape architecture practice.

Primary responsibilities are shared with Philip and include overseeing all design and creative work as well as business operations. Current projects include:

CASTIGLION del BOSCO, Montalcino, Italy – A 4,500 acre Brunello wine estate in Montalcino, (Siena) Italy. FormaTerra is providing complete master planning and landscape architecture services for the estate, which includes a boutique hotel, the restoration of 21 farmhouse villas, a new spa, cantina, golf clubhouse, and an 18-hole Tom Wiskopf signature golf course. FormaTerra is also coordinating with the estate's winemakers and agricultural managers in planning the development of new olive groves, vineyards, and a network of hiking, biking and equestrian trails.

MONTICELLO, Il Borro estate, Italy – Once the site of a 15th Century Medici family hunting estate in the province of Arezzo, Monticello will be restored and developed into a five star boutique hotel with complete amenities tailored around "La Vita Toscana." FormaTerra is currently providing planning consulting services for a project visioning book that will be reviewed by the local government for initial project approval.

1700 STATE STREET, Pennsylvania, USA – Working with local business owners and developers to realize a set of planning and concept drawings for the redevelopment of several mixed-use buildings along the 1700 block of State Street in the historic centre of Erie Pennsylvania. FormaTerra is responsible for developing the architectural character and adjacent streetscape improvements.

VILLA NARDINI, Vicenza, Italy – Redesigning the gardens of this 18th Century villa, that had lost the its relationship with the surrounding environment. FormaTerra is currently involved with supervision of the phases of the work and ongoing maintenance.

VILLA VALIER, Treviso, Italy – Creating modern gardens based on the historic layers to complement this 16th Century frescoed Villa on the edge of the river Sile . FormaTerra is in all stages from conception to implementation and ongoing maintenance.

Prior to FormaTerra Marco Battaglia was based in the UK and has worked as landscape architect trading as MaBa as well as working with two leading international landscape firms in the UK: Kim Wilkie Associates and Arabella Lennox-Boyd Landscape and Architectural Design.

MaBa (1991-2007)

Marco Battaglia have been involved in a number of projects as an independent consultant. These range stretching from landscape architecture to interior design. Selected project list include

Hotel Principe, Treviso Italy: Masterplan, consultations and landscape detail design and planting plans for a new 4 star hotel.

Corte Brà, Verona Italy: proposals for the restoration of the 19th century park to accommodate the present use for a private client.

Norton Court: garden design from concept to construction for a house in Kent, UK

Villa Guarda: proposals for a garden extension for a new entrance and restoration of main garden for this 17th Century villa, near Bassano del Grappa, Italy.

Parco Preganziol, Venice Italy: masterplan for a town public park and sports facilities.

10 Parkfields, Putney UK: garden design and detail planting, constructions and lighting design for a London town garden

Claremont House, Surrey UK: garden design and implementation of a terraced garden for a house on the London Green Belt.

19 Cambalt Road, London UK: Creation of a modern garden including lighting design for a London Victorian house.

Mulino Colet, Belluno Italy: Masterplan, gardens implantation and lighting design for this mountain village in northern Italy.

Kim Wilkie Associates (1991 - 1999)

Marco Battaglia was involved in over 100 projects during this period, worked on all aspects of the projects: from the strategic masterplanning to detailed design and implementation process. The projects were varied and include:

STRATEGIC MASTERPLANNING

Thames Landscape Strategy: Hundred year plan for the river through London based on the historic, natural and cultural landscape. Adopted as the prototype for the Thames by the Government Office for London's Strategic Planning Guidance.

Cams Hall: masterplan, management plans and detailed designs for the historic estate on the edge of Portsmouth Harbour, UK.

Kidderminster Bypass: landscape assessment for a potential bypass of the village.

URBAN DESIGN

The Borough at London Bridge: initial scoping report for the new Borough viaduct, landscape assessment and urban design for the area around London Bridge Station and Borough Market for English Heritage.

Beirut City Centre: design proposals for central square, hotel complex and new streets and park in the new city centre of Beirut, Lebanon.

Manchester City Centre: Advice on replanning and designing the city around the cathedral and the River Irwell, UK

HISTORIC LANDSCAPE REINSTATEMENT

Villa La Pietra: restoration of the historic gardens of 15th century villa for New York University in Florence, Italy and masterplan of the estate. The project involved extensive historic research, initial proposals, detailed proposals, management plans and implementation works to accommodate the present uses of the University with the historic setting and framework.

Holland Park: collaboration with architects for the restoration of Holland Park House and the adjacent gardens in London.

Heveningham Hall: masterplan and restoration of the grounds and the Grade II* landscape and gardens of the Hall originally designed by Capability Brown complemented by extensive contemporary earthworks. Suffolk, UK.

Wakes Museum: masterplan for the historic park and garden in Selborne, UK.

Chawton House: landscape restoration plan for historic parkland and gardens in for this historic house related to Jane Austin in Hampshire, UK.

GARDEN DESIGN AND LAND ART

County Hall: proposals, detailed design and implementation for the former GLC Members' Courtyard as the new Marriott's Hotel entrance in London, UK (1997 - 8)

Pembroke Gate Lodge: design proposals for a property in Richmond Park, London for the Crown Commission.

St Leonard's School: landscape advice and design for a dragon mound beside the new school in Banbury

Roof Garden: proposals for restoration and management of Derry & Toms Roof Garden in Kensington, London

Great Fosters: Restoration and extension of the historic gardens of Great Fosters, the first country house moted hotel in England near Windsor, UK.

Arabella Lennox-Boyd Landscape and Architectural Design (2001 to 2007)

Marco Battaglia was Project Landscape Architect and IT Manager in this award winning International landscape architect practice. This London based company is specialized in garden design with a commitment to produce work of the highest quality and is dedicated to seeing projects through from start to finish, paying particular attention to detail. The main projects include:

Fattoria del Palagio: Masterplan, design, construction and planting detail plans. Implementation and work inspections of a multi phases project with extensive gardens and terraces in Tuscany Italy.

Lake House: Design, construction and planting detail plans for some areas of the gardens of this large estate in Wiltshire, UK

Wallnut Hill: Design and construction plans for some areas of the gardens of this large town house in Dallas, USA

Crazies Hill: Masterplan for an estate and gardens in Oxfordshire UK

Berghoff: Level plans for a garden in Austria (2004)

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Office database: Design of the internal timesheet database and integration with the office and accounts databases

IT Manager: First line of support for all hardware and software issues in the office. Marco Battaglia was responsible for all new hardware and software decision for the office.

COMPETITIONS

Park for the new Provincia di Bergamo building, Italy (2009)

QUALIFICATIONS

Member of The Landscape Institute UK (1999)

Diploma in Landscape Architecture (University of Central England) 1994

Member of the "Albo Dottori in Scienze Forestali" 2002

Dottore in Scienze Forestali (Doctorate gained on examination following degree) 1990

Degree in Scienze Forestali (Forestry, University of Padua with full marks) 1990

VISITING LECTURESHIPS:

Facoltà di Architettura, Università di Venezia, Italy

Flormart, Fiere di Padova, Italy

Departimento Territorio e Sistemi Agro-Forestali, Università di Padova, Italy

Architectural Association, London UK

Fondazione Benetton, Treviso Italy

Politecnico di Torino, Italy

Amici dei Gergolfili Florence Italy

LANGUAGES:

Fluent in Italian and English. A good working knowledge of French.

EXTRACURRICULARS

Happily married with three children

Skiing, sailing, traveling and photography.