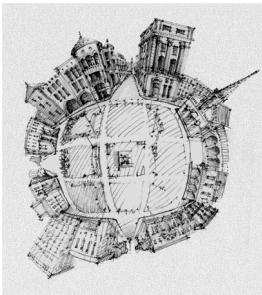


## CHRISTIAN B. SOTTILE, AIA



Christian Sottile trained classically under the guidance of leading Savannah architect, John C. Lebey, FAIA, who attended the Ecole des Beaux Arts in Paris during the 1920's. After graduating as Valedictorian from the Savannah College of Art and Design, he was awarded a fellowship to continue urban research abroad in Italy. Mr. Sottile earned his Masters Degree in Urban Design and Architecture from Syracuse University and was voted among the Top 100 Academics in the Nation by USA Today. Sottile turned his attention toward expanding the role of the architect as a leader in issues of community planning, preservation and growth. Currently, Sottile serves as a principal of Sottile & Sottile, a Savannah-based firm working primarily in Nationally Registered Historic Districts. The firm's work includes urban design and civic architecture, emphasizing historic research, urban analysis and community-wide engagement. Sottile's work has been featured in the New York Times, Preservation Magazine, Architect Magazine and Architectural Digest. He has lectured for the National Endowment for the Humanities, the American Planning Association and the Urban Land Institute. Concurrently with his professional practice, Sottile serves as a professor of architecture and urban design at the Savannah College of Art and Design and is the former dean of the SCAD School of Building Arts. In this role, Sottile led the graduate and undergraduate programs in Architecture, Architectural History, Preservation Design, Interior Design, Furniture Design and Urban Design. Mr. Sottile has been distinguished with the National Young Architect award from the AIA and has received over 50 awards for his work, including three international Charter Awards from the Congress for the New Urbanism, awards from the American Planning Association, the National Trust for Historic Preservation and two National Honor Awards from the American Institute of Architects.

## Education

- Master of Architecture & Urban Design** (M.Arch II); Syracuse University, 1998-99.  
Fellowship conducted in Florence, Italy
- Master of Architecture** (M.Arch); Savannah College of Art and Design; 1993-98
- Valedictorian** of graduating class; Summa Cum Laude.
- Pre collegiate: **Privately Tutored and Apprenticed** in the United States and Europe. 1976-92

## Teaching and Research

- **Dean, School of Building Arts**; Savannah College of Art and Design; 2011-2017
- **Professor of Architecture and Urban Design**; Savannah College of Art and Design; 1999-Present
- **Teaching:**
  - Reading **Urban Form, Off-Campus Italy & France**
  - Advanced Architectural Drawing, Off-Campus Italy**
  - Interior-Exterior Perspective, Off-Campus Italy & France**
  - Emerging Urban Issues Seminar**
  - Design Studio VII, Urban Design Studio**
  - Design Studio III, Structural Design Studio**
  - Design Studio II, Site Analysis Studio**
- **Visiting Critic:** Syracuse University; Florence Campus, 2003, 2005  
University of Notre Dame; 2017, 2019
- **Established Scholarships;** John C. LeBey Scholarship for Architecture and Urban Design; 2010
- **Thesis Advisement Committees;** Master of Architecture candidates, 2000-2020
- **Chair/Juror;**
  - Deans Forum, AIA Charleston, 2015**
  - AIA Legacy Charrette, Elbert Square, Savannah, 2009**
  - Institute for Classical Architecture & Classical America, 2008**
  - Historic Savannah Foundation, Preservation Week, 2004**
  - Building in the Public Realm, 5<sup>th</sup> Savannah Symposium, 2007**
  - Architecture Modernism and Place, 4<sup>th</sup> Savannah Symposium, 2005**
  - AIA Education Chairman, Savannah, 2003**
  - AIA Legacy Charrette Chairman, Gateway to Savannah, 2001**
  - AIA Urban Design Committee, Design Charrette, 2000**
- **Lectures and Seminars:**
  - Georgia Municipal Association, Plant Riverside District, 2020**
  - AIA Georgia, Christopher Kelley Leadership Development, 2020**
  - Smithsonian Commission, Private Savannah, 2020**
  - Institute of Classical Architecture and Art, Private Savannah, 2019**
  - AIA Savannah, Preservation for the Future, 2019**
  - Environments for Aging, National Conference, 2018**
  - CEOs for Cities, National Conference, 2017**
  - Architect LIVE, National AIA Conference, 2017**
  - AIA, Small Spaces Big Ideas, AIA National Conference, 2017**
  - The Art of Architecture, University of Notre Dame, 2016**
  - Georgia Trust, Historic Plant Riverside, 2016**
  - AIA South Atlantic Conference, Plant Riverside, 2016**
  - National Department of Community Affairs, Keynote, 2016**
  - AIA Wisconsin, A New Humanism, State AIA Conference, 2016**
  - AIA, SCADpad Revealed, National AIA Conference, 2015**
  - ICAA, Arthur Ross Award Panel, RAMSA, 2016**
  - Architect LIVE, AIA National Conference, 2015**
  - Swedish Architecture Review, Savannah's Urbanism, 2015**
  - TADtad: The Art and Design of Teaching Art and Design, 2015**
  - World Architecture Festival, Singapore, 2014**

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APA, National Conference of the American Planning Association, 2014  
Modern Architecture Nationwide Tour, June, 2014  
AIAS National Forum, A New Humanism, 2012  
City Works Conference, Big Ideas for Small Cities, 2012  
Atlanta Housing Authority, Building Healthy Cities, 2012  
TEDx Conference, Recovering Humanity in the Built Environment, 2011  
Community of El Paso, Texas, Architectural Principles, 2011  
China, Jiujiang City, US Planning and Historic Preservation, 2010  
Metro in Motion, Speaker Series, Building Healthy Cities, 2010  
Savannah Development Authority, Planning Seminars, 2010  
AIAS South East Conference, Making the Grid, 2009  
Veritas Culture Symposium, Place Matters, 2009-2010  
New York PPS, Project for Public Spaces, Livability Forum, 2009  
SCAD Museum of Art, Various Lectures, 2009-2011  
Association of Metropolitan Planning Organizations, 2009  
Georgia Conservancy, Blueprints for Successful Communities, 2009  
ULI, Urban Land Institute, The Next Big Ideas, 2008  
Savannah Downtown Master Plan, Planning Seminars, 2008  
SCAD Urban Design, Panel Presentation, 2008  
Urban Georgia Network, Symposium, 2008  
SCAD School of Building Arts, Recent Works, 2007  
United States Urban Forestry Program, 2007  
Urban Design & the American City, Leadership Savannah, 2007-2008  
Savannah Historic District, Historic District Ordinance, 2007  
APA, National Conference of the American Planning Association, 2006  
Beaufort Historic Preservation Commission, 2006  
Chatham Commerce Association, 2006  
NEH, National Endowment for the Humanities, 2005  
Urbanism in Savannah, First City Club, 2005  
Historic Preservation Council, Bluffton, 2005  
Savannah Historic District Height Development Map, 2003  
MLK, Jr. Blvd. & Montgomery Street, Workshops, 2002-2003  
Historic Savannah Foundation, Lost Squares of Savannah, 2003  
NPR, National Public Radio, History of Ellis Square, 2002  
International Making Cities Livable Conference, Savannah, 2001

## Honors and Awards

- Historic Savannah Foundation; Preservation Award; West Broad Street, 2020
- Historic Savannah Foundation; Preservation Honor Award; Armstrong Kessler Mansion, 2019
- AIA South Georgia; Excellence Award; Preservation Award; Bushnell Residence, 2018
- AIA Atlanta; Residential Design Award; West Taylor Residence, 2018
- AIA South Georgia; Design Award; Independent Presbyterian Church, 2018
- Historic Savannah Foundation; Preservation Award; Independent Presbyterian Church, 2017
- Historic Savannah Foundation; Preservation Award; Bushnell Residence, 2017
- Congress for the New Urbanism; Charter Award; Plan El Paso, 2015
- International Interior Design Association, Best of the Best, Forum Design Award, IIDA Georgia, 2015
- American Institute of Architects; National Young Architect Award, 2014
- AIA Institute Honor Award for Architecture; SCAD Museum of Art, 2014
- National Trust for Historic Preservation; National Preservation Honor Award; SCAD Museum of Art, 2014
- Congress for the New Urbanism; Charter Award; Ellis Square Revitalization/Cay Building, 2013
- Georgia Trust for Historic Preservation; Excellence in Preservation Award; SCAD Museum of Art, 2013
- Historic Savannah Foundation; Preservation Award; Cay Building, 2013
- AIA South Atlantic Region; Honor Award; SCAD Museum of Art, 2012
- Georgia Planning Association; Civic Master Plan for West Broad Street, 2012

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- AIA National, Emerging Professional; Curated Exhibit, Washington DC, 2012
- Congress for the New Urbanism; Charter Award; SCAD Museum of Art, 2012
- Leopold Adler Historic Preservation Award; Savannah Preservation, 2012
- Historic Savannah Foundation; Preservation Award; SCAD Museum of Art, 2012
- International Interior Design Association, Georgia; Best of the Best; SCAD Museum of Art, 2012
- Congress for the New Urbanism; Art of the New Urbanism; Curated Exhibit, 2012
- National Council of Arts Administrators; Art Leadership and Artist Award, 2011
- American Concrete Institute; Georgia Chapter; First Place in Restoration, 2011
- AIA Savannah; Honor Award; SCAD Museum of Art, 2011
- Visionary Award; Thinc Savannah Inaugural Award, 2011
- National AIA Honor Award for Urban Design; East Riverfront Civic Master Plan, 2010
- Congress for the New Urbanism; Charter Award; East Riverfront Civic Master Plan, 2009
- Government Finance Officers of the United States; Excellence in Government Finance, 2009
- Historic Charleston Foundation; Carolina Award, Best New Infill, 2009
- AIA Georgia Honor Award; Emerging Professional, 2008
- Georgia Department of Community Affairs; Best Design Program in State, 2008
- Historic Savannah Foundation; Urban Preservation Award; East Riverfront Civic Master Plan, 2008
- Georgia Planning Association; Outstanding Planning Initiatives, 2008
- AIA Georgia Honor Award; Emerging Professional, 2005
- Georgia Department of Community Affairs; Signature City Award, 2005
- North Carolina Planning Association; Cascade Neighborhood Master Plan, 2005
- Georgia Planning Association; Outstanding, Innovative & Effective Planning Process, 2004
- Historic Savannah Foundation; Urban Preservation Award; Savannah Historic District Model, 2004
- Georgia Trust for Historic Preservation; Brady Street Revitalization Program, 2003
- Historic Savannah Foundation; Urban Preservation Award; Ellis Square, 2002
- Historic Savannah Foundation; Historic Preservation Award; Brady Street, 2002
- Historic Savannah Foundation; Urban Preservation Award; Starland District, 2002
- Historic Savannah Foundation; Historic Rehabilitation Award; Artists' Row, 2001
- Historic Savannah Foundation; Urban Preservation Award; Oglethorpe Avenue, 2000
- National AIA Honor Award for Urban Design; Author of winning submission; 1998
- Voted Top 100 Academics in the Nation; USA Today; 1998
- SCAD Award for: Outstanding Achievement in Architecture; 1997
- SCAD Award for: Independent Creative Achievement; 1997
- ASHRAE Award for: Integrated Systems Design; 1996
- SCAD Design Competition Award, Department of Architecture; 1996



## Membership and Service

- **Society of Architectural Historians**, Member, 2012 - Present
- **Institute for Classical Architecture and Art**, Member, 2012 - Present
- **National Charrette Institute**, Member, 2011 - Present
- **Savannah College of Art and Design**, Urban Design Advisory Board, 2011
- **Creative Coast**, Board of Directors, 2010 - 2014
- **Veritas Rhetoric School**, Savannah, Georgia, Advisory Board, 2009 - Present
- **Saint Vincent's Academy**, 1845 Foundation, 2008 - Present
- **Historic Preservation Commission**, Chatham County, 2006 -2009
- **Congress for the New Urbanism**, Member, 2009 - Present
- **City Architect**, Beaufort, South Carolina, 2006 - Present
- **Crescent Resources**, Palmetto Bluff Design Review Board, 2004-2011
- **National Trust for Historic Preservation**, Member, 2006 - Present
- **American Planning Association**, Member, 2004 - Present
- **National Council of Architectural Registration Boards**, Member, 2001 - Present
- **American Institute of Architects**, Member, 2000 - Present

## Publication and Press

- **Atlanta Journal-Constitution**; Plant Riverside District, September, 2020
- **The New York Times**; The Charm, and Challenge, of Savannah, August, 2019
- **Architectural Digest**; Architects Find Inspiration in Factories, February, 2019
- **Bloomberg**; Where to Go in 2019, January, 2019
- **Hospitality Design**; The Windrose Hotel, March, 2019
- **Dezeen**; The Windrose Hotel, January, 2019
- **Architectural Digest**; SCAD Ushers in a New Era for Savannah, December, 2018
- **Worth Magazine**; Historic Plant Riverside, September, 2018
- **US News & World Report**; Plant Riverside Takes Shape, July, 2018
- **National Trust for Historic Preservation**; People Centered Preservation, May, 2018
- **The Atlanta City Design**; Atlanta Master Plan, January, 2018
- **The Atlanta Business Chronicle**; The Atlanta City Design, September, 2017
- **The Classicist**; The American South; Professional Portfolio, 2017
- **Preservation Magazine**; Savannah Itinerary; Fall 2016
- **South Magazine**; Power Plans 2018; June 2016
- **City Talk**; Dramatic Changes to West Oglethorpe; May 2016
- **Buildings of Savannah**; Cay Building; January 2016
- **CBS Sunday Morning**; A Tale of Two Cities; May 2015
- **Architect Magazine**, Rethinking Adaptive Reuse, May 2015
- **TIME Magazine**, the Smarter Home; July 2014
- **CNN Living**, Sustainable Adaptive Reuse; July 2014
- **NBC TODAY Show**; July 2014
- **The Guardian**; Designer Micro-Apartments, July 2014
- **Architect**; SCAD Museum, of Art, AIA Young Architect, June, 2012
- **FASTco. Exist / Huffington Post**; SCADpad; June 2014
- **Architectural Record**; New Generation, New Pad, April, 2014
- **Dwell**; The Next Frontier in Adaptive Reuse, April, 2014
- **USA Today**; A House the Size of a Parking Space, April, 2014
- **Fast Company**; Turning Parking Garages into Mini Cities, April, 2014
- **CNN**; Coolest Buildings in America, January, 2014
- **Georgia Public Broadcasting**; Ideals on the Map in Savannah, February, 2013
- **Business Insider**: Sky City One, November 2012
- **BBC World Service radio**: Construction in China, November 2012
- **International New Landscape**; China, 2012
- **Planning Magazine, APA**: Preserve and Protect, The Cay Building, November 2012

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- **Georgia Trend**; Art by Design, October, 2012
- **Atlanta Journal-Constitution**; Savannah's Surging Downtown, September, 2012
- **Architect**; SCAD Museum, of Art, May, 2012
- **AIA Designs of the New Decade**; Civic Master Plan, April, 2012
- **Architecture Week**; New Urbanism Now, March, 2012
- **Architectural Digest**; SCAD Museum, of Art, February, 2012
- **Blueprint**, UK; SCAD Museum of Art, February, 2012
- **Preservation Magazine**; Online, New Life for an Old Depot, December, 2011
- **Architect's Newspaper**; Foundation Studies, November, 2011
- **Il Giornale dell'Architettura**; Torino, SCAD Museum of Art, November, 2011
- **Wallpaper**; SCAD Museum of Art, October, 2011
- **Architects and Artisans**; Contrasting Old and New, October, 2011
- **Savannah Morning News**; TEDx to Inspire Creative Class, May, 2011
- **Savannah Morning News**; Urban Designer wins Visionary Award, April, 2011
- **Savannah Magazine**; Love and Urban Planning, Spring 2011
- **Roanoke Business**; Downtown Development Strategies, January, 2011
- **Savannah Morning News**; Cultural Center, Several Features, 2011
- **Architectural Record**; Savannah's Civic Master Plan, May, 2010
- **Architecture Week**; Savannah East Riverfront Extension, February, 2010
- **Valdosta Progress**; Urban Design Analysis, Summer, 2010
- **Savannah Morning News**; Historic Candler Hospital, Several Features, 2010
- **Savannah Morning News**; Refining the Vision, December, 2010
- **Syracuse University**; 50 Years in Florence, Winter, 2009
- **Savannah Business Journal**; Historic District Ordinance, December, 2009
- **Congress for the New Urbanism**; Civic Master Plan, June, 2009
- **Savannah Morning News**; Hutchinson Island, Several Features, 2009-2011
- **Savannah Morning News**; SCAD Museum of Art, Several Features, 2009-2011
- **Green Business Quarterly**; Eco-Building Concepts, Winter 2009
- **Savannah, GA**; Landmark Historic District Ordinance, 2009
- **Savannah, GA**; Architecture and Urbanism Resource Manual, 2009
- **Savannah Business Journal**; Redesigning River Street, March, 2008
- **Alliance for Government Innovation**; Flexible Architectural Standards, Spring, 2008
- **Savannah Morning News**; I-16 Flyover Removal, Several Features, 2009-2011
- **Mooreville, NC**; Downtown Master Plan, 2008
- **Savannah Morning News**; Western Gateway to Savannah, November, 2008
- **South Magazine**; Old Guard & Avant-Garde, December, 2007
- **Savannah Morning News**; Historic District Ordinance, Several Features, 2008-2009
- **Charleston, SC**; East Central Master Plan, 2008
- **Savannah, GA**; Downtown Master Plan, 2008
- **Savannah Business Journal**; Savannah's Downtown Expansion, 2006-2007
- **Charleston Business**; Neighborhood Revitalization, August, 2007
- **The New York Times**; Savannah Adds to its Master Plan, May, 2007
- **Southern Accents**; Livability of Savannah, December, 2007
- **SCAD Magazine**; Urban Outfitter, Summer, 2007
- **South Magazine**; Sottile & Sottile Biography, August, 2007
- **South Magazine**; Stars of the South, July, 2007
- **New Urban News**; East Riverfront Extension, May, 2007
- **Preservation Progress**; Making Green Cool in Charleston, August, 2007
- **South Magazine**; Buildings of Their Time, June 2006
- **Savannah Morning News**; Growing the Oglethorpe Plan, Several Features, 2006-2010
- **Savannah Development Authority**; Design Reports, 2005-2010
- **Savannah, GA**; Height Development Map, 2005
- **Mount Mourne, NC**; Master Plan, 2005
- **Savannah College of Art and Design**; Atlanta Sketchbook, 2005
- **Massie Heritage Center Journal**; Savannah Model, Spring 2004
- **Town of Cary**; Community Appearance Manual, 2004

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- Savannah Magazine; Loft Living, Spring 2004
- City of Mount Holly; Manual for Development, 2004
- The New York Times; Economic Development and Urban Design in Savannah, October, 2002
- Savannah Morning News; Brady Street Revitalization, Savannah, GA; Several Features, 2001-2006
- Savannah Morning News; Ellis Square Charrette, Savannah, GA; Several Features, 2002
- Ellis Square; Urban History & Analysis, 2002
- Town of Bluffton; Historic Preservation Manual, 2002
- AIA Georgia; Legacy Charrette; various materials, 2002
- Historic Cascade Master Plan; Mooresville, NC, 2001
- Historic Savannah Foundation; Elbert Square Alliance, Summer, 2001
- Lowcountry Magazine; Future Vision: Extension of Historic Bluffton, November, 2000
- Savannah Magazine; Starland Design District, Master Planning, October, 2000