



## HISTORIC DISTRICTS COUNCIL

### HDC's Preservation School | Spring 2019 Instructor Bios



#### **Gregory Dietrich**

A graduate of Columbia University's Historic Preservation and Real Estate Development programs, Gregory Dietrich has been working in the field of Historic Preservation for over nineteen years. Having worked in both the public and private sectors, he served as the Acting Director of the New York City Landmarks Preservation Commission's Historic Preservation Grant Program between 1999 and 2000 before joining Cultural Resource Consulting Group (CRCG) in 2002, where he managed the New York office between 2004 and 2009. At CRCG, Gregory was a project manager and principal investigator on a myriad of cultural resource studies, while also serving as the company's Director of Historic Preservation. In 2009 he established Gregory Dietrich Preservation Consulting, where his work has entailed historic architectural and landscape studies, designation reports, historic tax credit applications, and grant writing. In addition to consulting, he served as an adjunct instructor at the Fashion Institute of Technology between 2008 and 2018 and is currently on faculty at New York University, while also serving as a guest lecturer, panelist, and tour guide at a range of educational, cultural, and civic institutions both here and abroad.

Gregory will be teaching students about New York City's common architectural styles.



#### **Daniel Allen**

Daniel Allen, AIA, is a principal of CTA Architects P.C. (CTA) and is the firm's historic preservation specialist. Mr. Allen began his career in preservation over thirty years ago as a craftsman in the manufacture of architectural terra cotta and cast stone. This early interest led to work for exterior wall consultants and restoration architects. Mr. Allen received a Masters of Science in Historic Preservation from Columbia University while actively working in the field. He also gained important experience as an architectural conservator for the Society for the Preservation of New England Antiquities (now Historic New England) in Boston before returning to rejoin CTA. Mr. Allen is the President of the Board of Directors of the Historic Districts Council, and a member of the Association for Preservation Technology, the Board of Directors of the New York Preservation Archive Project and the American Institute of Architects. He is an Adjunct Assistant Professor of Historic Preservation at Columbia University's Graduate School of Architecture, Planning and Preservation. Mr. Allen brings a long record of sensitive restoration and adaptive reuse to many important projects.

Dan will be teaching students about the use and preservation of historic building materials.



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### **Lynn Massimo**

Lynn Massimo holds a degree in fine art photography from New York University and spent part of her early career as an architectural photographer. Though she has officially left the commercial world of photography, her expertise found a new outlet in 2013, when she co-founded the Sunset Park Landmarks Committee to advocate for the designation of a Historic District in Sunset Park, Brooklyn. As part of this effort, Lynn spearheaded a block-by-block outreach and survey campaign, including the documentation of Sunset Park's many elegant rowhouses, religious structures, institutional buildings and green spaces. Her photographs proved instrumental in bringing awareness to the cause and bringing the campaign to the attention of the New York City Landmarks Preservation Commission.

Lynn will be teaching students how to photograph architecture.



### **Sean Khorsandi**

Sean Khorsandi is the Executive Director of LANDMARK WEST! a 33-year old award-winning non-profit that speaks for the Upper West Side's architectural and cultural landmarks from 59<sup>th</sup> to 110<sup>th</sup> Streets. Current advocacy issues address out-of-scale as-of-right development and the policies that permit them. Twice an architect by training, Khorsandi joined the faculty of the New York Institute of Technology in 2013 where he teaches Introductory, Survey and Seminar courses in the history and theory of Architecture. Mr. Khorsandi joined HDC's Board of Advisors in 2018.

Sean will be teaching students how to research development in their neighborhoods.