**Kendra Locklear Ordia** ASID, IIDA, RID, NCIDQ, IDEC, LEED AP

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PORTFOLIO\_ https://indd.adobe.com/view/ff75c10a-2cb8-41bd-ab78-0036a05792f8 EDUCATION

## 2012 University of Texas Austin / School of Architecture

M.I.D., Master of Interior Design

Thesis: “Guidelines and Considerations for Biophilic Interior Design in Healthcare Environments”

## 2006 University of Nebraska Lincoln / College of Architecture

B.S.D., Bachelor of Science in Design

PROFESSIONAL REGISTRATIONS

2025 - current **State of Nebraska - Registered Interior Designer (RID) #027**

2008 - current **Texas Board of Architectural Examiners - Registered Interior Designer (RID) in Texas #10794**

2008 - current **National Council of Interior Design Qualification (NCIDQ) #024452**

2008 - current **Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design Accredited Professional (LEED AP)**

Building Design and Construction specialty

ACADEMIC EXPERIENCE

2025 - current **University of Nebraska Lincoln / College of Architecture**

Interior Design Department Associate Professor (Tenured)

## 2020 - 2026 Merle & Trula Bachman Professorship in Health Care Design

2019 - 2025 **University of Nebraska Lincoln / College of Architecture**

Interior Design Department Tenure Track Assistant Professor

## 2015 - 2018 Texas State University / School of Family and Consumer Science

Interior Design Department Tenure Track Assistant Professor

## 2012 - 2015\* Kansas State University / College of Architecture, Planning, and Design

Interior Architecture and Product Design Department Tenure Track Assistant Professor

*\*Remote appointment 2013-2015*

## 2011 - 2012 University of Texas Austin / School of Architecture

Lab Instructor; Research and Teaching Assistant

## 2011 University of Nebraska Lincoln / College of Architecture

Interior Design Department Adjunct Instructor

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

## 2016 - 2019 Perkins + Will (formerly Lauckgroup) / Dallas & Austin, Texas

Senior Interior Designer, Associate

2013 - 2015 **Gensler / Austin, Texas**

Interior Designer

## 2012 Glass and Dangel / Austin, Texas

Freelance Interior Designer

## 2011 Rhode Partners / Austin, Texas

Freelance Interior Designer

## 2006 - 2011 CallisonRTKL (formerly RTKL Associates) / Dallas, Texas & Los Angeles, California

Interior Designer

NATIONAL LEADERSHIP WITH PROFESSIONAL BOARDS

2025 - 2028 **IDCEC National Board of Directors** / Treasurer

2024 - 2027 **ASID National Board of Directors** / Director at Large

2019 - 2025 **IDEC Foundation Board** / Treasurer, Director at Large

PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS

2017 - 2018; 2020 - current **American Society of Interior Designers (ASID) #2005421 /** Professional Member 2012 - 2015; 2019 - current **Interior Design Educators Council (IDEC) #51867 /** Member

2006 - 2015; 2021 - current **International Interior Design Association (IIDA) #378187 /** Professional Member

AWARDS & HONORS

2020 - 2022 **American Society of Interior Designers (ASID) Ones to Watch /** Award Winner and Scholar 2012 **Interior Design Educators Council (IDEC) Foundation Graduate Scholars Grant** / Recipient

## 2011 John S. Chase Endowed Presidential Scholarship, University of Texas Austin / Recipient

2011 **Lake/ Flato Endowed Scholarship, University of Texas Austin, School of Architecture** / Recipient

2011 **ASID Foundation Legacy Scholarship for Graduate Students** / Recipient

2010 **Student Project Finalist Award, Hospitality Design Magazine** / Award Winner

2010 **University of Texas School of Architecture Design Excellence Award, Fall** / Award Winner

2010 **IIDA TX/OK Chapter Tuition Reimbursement Grant** / Recipient

# TEACHING

COURSES PREPARED & CURRICULUM DEVELOPED

## UNIVERSITY OF NEBRASKA LINCOLN

SP 25 **IDES 220 - Graphics & Representation**

SU 23; SU 24; SU 25 **IDES 395 - Professional Internship**

SP 23; SP 24 **IDES 486/886 - Evolving Issues**

SU 20; SU 21; SU 22 **IDES 491/891 - Contract Furniture**

SP 20; SP 21; SP 22; SP 23; **IDES 411 - Capstone Studio**

SP 24; SP 25 *.*

FA 19; FA 20; FA 21; FA 22; **IDES 300 - Interior Design Materials**

FA 23; FA 24; FA 25

FA 19; FA 20; FA 21; FA 22; **IDES 310 - Studio III**

FA 23; FA 24; FA 25

## SP 11 IDES 458/858 - The Changing Workplace

**TEXAS STATE UNIVERSITY**

FA 17; SP 18 **ID 3320 - Design Graphics 2 + Portfolio Design**

SP 16; FA 17 **ID 3322 - Studio I - Residential Design**

FA 16; SP 17 **ID 4120 - Portfolio Design**

FA 15; SP 16; FA 16 **ID 4323 – Studio IV – Contemporary Issues in Design**

**KANSAS STATE UNIVERSITY**

SU 15 **IAPD 406/830 - Sustainable Design**

SP 15; SU 15 **IAPD 644/664 & IAPD 645/665 - Internship & Internship Report**

SP 13; SP 15 **IAPD 628 - Building Construction Systems in Interior Architecture**

FA 14 **IAPD 815 - Advanced Studio Programming**

SU 13 **IAPD 406/IMSE 602, MNGT 440 - Innovation Bootcamp**

FA 12; FA 14 **IAPD 406 - Digital Hybrid Drawing Techniques**

## FA 12 IAPD 801 - Design Studio V: Workplace Interiors

OTHER TEACHING EXPERIENCE

## SU 2020 UGEP 291 - The COVID-19 Pandemic: Effects on Industries, People, and Society

University of Nebraska - Lincoln

Week 4 Topic Instructor: Social Distancing and Its Impact on Outdoor Spaces and the Built Environment

Co-developed week content with Prof. Dan Piatkowski

SP 2014 **ARI 530T – Design Studio VI Interiors - Coworking** University of Texas Austin School of Architecture Gensler Studio Collaborator and Guest Critic Prof. Tamie Glass

## SP 2012 ARI 434K – Construction II: Interior Materials and Assemblies

University of Texas School of Architecture Lab Instructor

Prof. Tamie Glass

SP 2011; SP 2012 **ARI 530T – Design Studio VI Interiors**

University of Texas Austin School of Architecture Teaching Assistant/ Revit Instructor

Prof. Carl Matthews; Prof. Tamie Glass

SP 2011 **ARI 434K – Construction II: Interior Materials and Assemblies** University of Texas Austin School of Architecture Meadows Grant Research Assistant; Teaching Assistant Prof. Tamie Glass

THESIS & DIRECTED STUDENT LEARNING

FA 22; SP 23 **Co-Mentor, M.Arch Thesis**, **“Beyond Dualities of Place”** Master of Architecture, College of Architecture, University of Nebraska- Lincoln

Student: Keleigh Ketelhut, M.ARCH

## SP 22 Independent Study, MSID Thesis Preparation

Interior Design Program, College of Architecture, University of Nebraska- Lincoln

Student: Anna Headlee, Dual Graduate, M.S.I.D + M.S.C.R.P

## SP 21 Member, Honors Capstone, “Education, Ecology, Empathy: Spaces for Youth to Connect to Nature”

Department of Landscape Architecture, Fay Jones School of Architecture, University of Arkansas

Student: Joshua Braden, B.LAR

SP 14 **Member, Master’s Thesis**, **“Transforming Abandoned Schools into Community Life Centers”** Department of Interior Architecture and Product Design, College of Architecture, Planning, and Design, Kansas State University.

Student: Amanda Barker, Graduate, M.I.A.P.D.

## SP 13 Member, Master’s Thesis, “Home Recycling Center: Revolve”

Department of Interior Architecture and Product Design, College of Architecture, Planning, and Design, Kansas State University.

Student: Audrey George, Graduate, M.I.A.P.D.

## SP 13 Member, Master’s Thesis, “Free-Standing Birth Center Design”

Department of Interior Architecture and Product Design, College of Architecture, Planing, and Design, Kansas State University.

Student: Jessica Motz, Graduate, M.I.A.P.D.

## SP 13 Member, Master’s Thesis, “Holistic Center for Weight Management and Control”

Department of Interior Architecture and Product Design, College of Architecture, Planning, and Design, Kansas State University.

Student: Nadia Aguayo, Graduate, M.I.A.P.D.

## SP 13 Member, Master’s Thesis, “Adaptive Reuse in Rural Kansas”

Department of Interior Architecture and Product Design, College of Architecture, Planning, and Design, Kansas State University.

Student: Whitney Dunn, Graduate, M.I.A.P.D.

INVITED LECTURER, CRITIC OR JUROR

## 2025 Invited Critic, Final Advanced Design Reviews (Architecture and Interior Design)

University of Arkansas Fay Jones School of Architecture + Design Instructor: Lisa Skiles, AIA

## 2024 Invited Critic, Final Interior Design Reviews

Kent State University - College of Architecture & Environmental Design 4th year student reviews

## 2024, 2025 Invited Juror, Biodesign Challenge Final Reviews

University of Nebraska Lincoln - Johnny Carson Center for Emerging Media Arts Instructor: Ash Eliza Smith

## 2022 Invited Critic, Final Interior Design Reviews

University of Tennessee Knoxville - College of Architecture 2nd year, 3rd year, and 4th year student reviews

## 2022 Invited Critic, Final Interior Design Reviews

University of Texas Austin - School of Architecture 2nd year, 3rd year, and MSID student reviews

2022 **Guest Lecturer, Biophilic Design + Equity** Savannah College of Art and Design - Atlanta Instructor: Kia Weatherspoon

2022 **Guest Lecturer, Interior Design Professional Practice** University of Texas Austin - School of Architecture Instructor: Lysa Janssen

## 2021 Guest Panelist, The Ultimate Inclusive Sustainability + Wellness Discussion

Fellow Panelists: Angie Scott - WELL Building Institute; Leila Behjat - Parsons Healthy Materials Lab

Savannah College of Art and Design - Atlanta Instructor: Kia Weatherspoon

## 2021 Guest Lecturer, Innovation Studio I: Emergent Strategies for Regenerative Futures

University of Nebraska - Johnny Carson Center for Emerging Media Arts Prof. Jesse Fleming

## 2020 Guest Critic, Professional Practice PGID 5320 (Portfolio Reviews)

Parsons School of Design | The New School Lecturer Anjali Bhalodia

2018, 2020 **Guest Critic, Design IV (Studio)**

University of Texas Austin - School of Architecture Prof. Tamie Glass

2017; 2018 **Guest Lecturer, Value of Licensing: Legal Recognition in Professional Fields** Interior Architecture and Product Design Department - Kansas State University Prof. Katrina Lewis

## 2016 Guest Critic, Advance London Urban Design Studio | Clapham Central: A New London Place

University of Texas Austin - School of Architecture Dr. Edna Ledsma

## 2015 Guest Lecturer, Design Representation

University of Texas Austin - School of Architecture Prof. Tamie Glass

2013, 2014, 2015 **Guest Critic, Design III (Studio)**

University of Texas Austin - School of Architecture Prof. Tamie Glass

## 2011 Guest Lecturer, Healthcare Interior Design

University of Texas Austin - School of Architecture

Dr. Nancy Kwallek

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TEACHING AWARDS

## 2024 Ordia, Kendra Locklear. University of Nebraska Lincoln

ASID Educator of the Year Award (National); Student Nomination

## 2023 Ordia, Kendra Locklear. University of Nebraska Lincoln

IDEC Teaching Excellence Award (International); Director Nomination

TEACHING GRANTS & CONTRACTS

## 2016 Ordia, Kendra Locklear. Large Format Flatbed Scanner

TX/OK IIDA Special Initiatives Grant – Educational Tools

$1,500.00. (External)

## 2014 Ordia, Kendra Locklear. Sustainable Design

Kansas State Division of Continuing Education, Institutional (Higher Ed),

$5,000.00. (Internal Funding: January 2014 - December 2014)

TEACHING PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT ACTIVITIES

## 2015 - 2016 The Program for Excellence in Teaching and Learning

Texas State University

New faculty year-long program

## 2013 Peer Review of Teaching

Kansas State University.

Selected for semester-long program

FUNDED STUDENT RESEARCH/CREATIVE ACTIVITY

2024 Albusharif, Zeniab; Bigelow, Eden; Hummel, Jordan; Le, Angela; Miller, Abigail; Pinkall, Lily; Rawlings, Ella; **Lincoln Calling VIP Cabanas**

Lincoln Arts Council Lincoln Calling Art Installations, May 2-4, 2024. Sponsored, full scale installations, **$5040 (in kind for installation costs) Faculty Advisor: Kendra Ordia**

2022 Ninete, Makena, & Shearman, Collin, **Till r.+u.: Housing Structure Prototypes**

UCARE: Undergraduate Creative Activities and Research Experience at Nebraska Academic Year: 2022 - 2023; funding in form of undergrad student research support University of Nebraska Sponsored Undergraduate Research Award, **$4800**

## Faculty Advisor: Kendra Ordia

STUDENT AWARDS

## 2023 Steelcase NEXT Student Design Competition - Top 2% Student Recognition

University of Nebraska Lincoln, Student: Lindsey Sawyer, Undergraduate, BSD.

*\*Project completed in IDES 310 - Studio III*

## 2023 UNL College of Architecture Harry F. Cunningham Bronze Medal - Finalist

University of Nebraska Lincoln, Master of Architecture Thesis Student: Keleigh Ketelhut, M.ARCH

## 2023 Student Research Days - College of Architecture Award Winner

University of Nebraska Lincoln, Students: Makena Ninete and Collin Shearman, Undergraduate, BSD.

*“Biophilic Design and Interior Materiality” completed as part of funded UCARE research*

## 2023 IIDA Great Plains Chapter IDEA Award Winner - Student Project

University of Nebraska Lincoln, Student: Katie Williams, Undergraduate, BSD

*\*Project completed in IDES 310 - Studio III*

## 2022 IIDA Great Plains Chapter IDEA Award Winner - Student Project

University of Nebraska Lincoln, Student: Makena Ninete, Undergraduate, BSD

*\*Project completed in IDES 310 - Studio III*

## 2022 ASID NE / IA 3rd Year Student Scholarship

University of Nebraska Lincoln, Student: Collin Shearman, Undergraduate, BSD

*\*Project completed in IDES 310 - Studio III*

## 2021 IIDA Great Plains Chapter IDEA Award Winner - Student Project

University of Nebraska Lincoln, Student: Lauren Shaul, Undergraduate, BSD

*\*Project completed in IDES 310 - Studio III*

## 2021 ASID NE / IA 3rd Year Student Scholarship

University of Nebraska Lincoln, Student: Lyndsey Ehmen, Undergraduate, BSD

*\*Project completed in IDES 310 - Studio III*

## 2020 ASID NE/IA Chapter Gold Award - Student Project

University of Nebraska Lincoln, Student: Keleigh Ketelhut, Undergraduate, BSD

*\*Project completed in IDES 410 - Capstone Studio*

## 2020 IIDA Great Plains Chapter IDEA Award Winner - Student Project

University of Nebraska Lincoln, Student: Alex Reiger, Undergraduate, BSD

*\*Project completed in IDES 310 - Studio III*

## 2020 ASID NE / IA 3rd Year Student Scholarship

University of Nebraska Lincoln, Student: Ashlynn Engelhard, Undergraduate, BSD

*\*Project completed in IDES 310 - Studio III*

2019 - 2020 **BIG 10 Student Design Challenge - Finalist**

Herman Miller Headquarters, Zeeland, MI

UNL ID Students: Eliza Woodside, Ari Osten; UNL Arch Student: Weston Ellerbrake; UNL Business Student: Daniel Kruger

*\*Co-faculty advisor with Nate Bicak*

## 2017 Residential Design Award - Burke Renovation

2017 ASID TX Student Symposium, Austin, TX

Texas State University, Student: Cody Powell, Undergraduate, BSFCS

*\*Project completed in ID 3322 Studio I - Residential*

## 2017 2017 IIDA Student of the Year

NeoCon, Chicago, IL.

Texas State University, Student: Lindzey Duval, Undergraduate, BCFCS.

*\*Resume and Portfolio for submission created in ID 4120; Wrote (1) of (2) letters of recommendation from educator*

# SCHOLARLY RESEARCH & CREATIVE ACTIVITIES

ARTICLES PUBLISHED IN DOUBLE-BLIND PEER REVIEWED JOURNALS

## 2026\* Ordia, K. L., Mick, M., “Rewilding Human Habitat: Liminal Space in the Built Environment”

*Ecology and Society*

*\*Submitted, Under review*

## 2026\* Ordia, K. L., “Communal Creativity: A Design Justice Focus in Studio”

*Journal of Interior Design: Special Issue: Leading by Design: Evolving Practices to Face the Challenges of our Times*

*\*Submitted, Under review*

## 2025\* Ordia, K. L., “Unplanned Public Nature Interiority”

*Idea Journal - Unplanned Interiors Volume 22.1*

*\*Submitted, Under review*

## 2025 Ordia, K. L., “Liminal Nature: Micro-Ecologies in the Margins”

*Streetnotes 31: Urban Habits; e-ISSN: 2159-2926*

2024 **Ordia, K. L., “Growing Interiors – Cultivating Urban Biophilic Environments”** *Interiors: Design + Art + Culture;* Special Issue: Ecologies of the Interior DOI: 10.1080/20419112.2024.2333143

## 2023 Ordia, K. L., “Nature-Centered Interiority as an Urban Social-Spatial Ecology”

*Interiors: Design + Art + Culture;* Special Issue: Openness DOI: 10.1080/20419112.2023.2177047

PAPERS IN REFERRED CONFERENCE PROCEEDINGS

2022 **Ordia, K. L., Nature Integration, Biophilic Design, and Equity in the Urban Interior** Environmental Design Research Association Conference (EDRA53 Greenville) Greenville, South Carolina / June 1-4, 2022

ABSTRACTS IN DOUBLE-BLIND PEER REVIEWED CONFERENCE PROCEEDINGS

2025 **Ordia, K.L., *Ethnobotany as an Exploration for Place-Based Biophilic Interiors***

Interior Design Educators Council (IDEC) National Conference Chicago, IL / March 16-19, 2025

Scholarship of Teaching and Learning Acceptance Rate: 65% (152/233)

2025 **Ordia, K.L., *Communal Creativity: A Design Justice Focus in Studio*** Interior Design Educators Council (IDEC) National Conference Chicago, IL / March 16-19, 2025

Scholarship of Teaching and Learning Acceptance Rate: 65% (152/233)

2024 Patel, T., Meakins, J. Chugh, A. **Ordia, K.L.**, & Millhouse, RJ., ***Teaching for Justice and Equity: What Does it Mean***

Interior Design Educators Council (IDEC) Virtual Symposium Virtual / October 30-31, 2024

2024 Mick, M. & **Ordia, K.L., *Rewilding Interiors: Biodiversity from the Inside Out*** Environmental Design Research Association Conference (EDRA55 Portland) Portland, OR / June 19-22, 2024

2024 **Ordia, K.L., *Human-Nature Value-Based Approach to Biophilic Design*** London Livable Cities - AMPS (Architecture, Media, Politics, Society) London, England / June 26-28, 2024

### 2023 Ordia, K. L., The Future of Nature Integration in The Urban Interior: Education, Growth, and Food Resiliency

Interior Design Educators Council (IDEC) National Conference Vancouver, BC / March 8-11, 2023

Scholarship of Teaching and Learning Acceptance Rate: 52% (87/167)

2023 **Ordia, K. L., Bicak, N., Andrews, J. *BioMateriality and the Interior Built Environment***

Interior Design Educators Council (IDEC) National Conference Vancouver, BC / March 8-11, 2023

Creative Scholarship Acceptance Rate: 56% (14/25)

2023 Karle, S., **Ordia, K.L**., Coniglio, J. ***The Use of Post-Occupancy Evaluations to Measure Landscape Performance Related to Greenspace in Early Childhood Settings: A Systematic Literature Review***

Council of Educators in Landscape Architecture (CELA) National Conference San Antonio, TX / March 15-18, 2023

2022 **Ordia, K. L., *Biophilic Interior Spatial Ecologies***

Interior Design Educators Council (IDEC) National Conference Virtual due to Covid-19 / March 1-4, 2022

Scholarship of Teaching and Learning Acceptance Rate: 52% (102/195)

2021 **Ordia, K. L., *DE-SCRIPTION: Framing Urban Biophilic Interiors Through Design Ethics***

Interior Design Educators Council (IDEC) National Conference Virtual due to Covid-19 / March 1-4, 2021

Scholarship of Teaching and Learning Acceptance Rate: 51% (29/59)

2020 **Ordia, K. L., *Spatial Narrative in Biophilic Interior Design***

Interior Design Educators Council (IDEC) National Conference Tulsa, OK / March 4-7, 2020

Scholarship of Design Research Acceptance Rate: 57% (Poster)

2018 Matthews, C., Hill, C., & **Ordia, K. L., *The Impact of ID Student Educational Experiences on Cultural Intelligence***

Interior Design Educators Council (IDEC) National Conference Boston, MA / March 7-10, 2018

Scholarship of Teaching and Learning

2017 **Ordia, K. L.. *Till.r+u.***

Interior Design Educators Council (IDEC) National Conference Chicago, IL / March 8-12, 2017

Creative Scholarship - Design as Idea Presentation Acceptance Rate: 47% (17/36)

2017 **Ordia, K. L.** & Bhalodia, A. K**. *Spatial Ecologies for Interior Design Educators*** Interior Design Educators Council (IDEC) National Conference Chicago, IL / March 8-12, 2017

2016 **Ordia, K. L. *Builder Digs: An Office Space for a Construction Company*** Interior Design Educators Council (IDEC) National Conference Portland, Oregon / March 9-13, 2016

Creative Scholarship - Design as Interiors Presentation Acceptance Rate: 45% (22/49)

2016 **Ordia, K. L. *Visualizing the Program: Graphically Communicating Design Research***

Interior Design Educators Council (IDEC) National Conference Portland, Oregon / March 9-13, 2016

Scholarship of Teaching and Learning

### 2015 Ordia, K. L. Natural to Synthetic: Biophilic Pattern Language Formalization Prototype

Florida International University Interior Architecture Symposium Poster Presentation

Miami, Florida / April 10, 2015

2014 **Ordia, K. L.,** Glass, T., Siddiqui, I**. *Mas Moss: A Living Curtain*** Interior Design Educators Council (IDEC) National Conference New Orleans, Louisiana / March 6-8, 2014

Acceptance Rate: 44.4%

2013 Orthel, B., Hicks, T., **Ordia, K. L.,** Peck, J., Smith, K.**, *iDO: Interior Design Optimism About the Future Among Emerging Educators***

Interior Design Educators Council (IDEC) National Conference Indianapolis, IN / February 17-19, 2013

### 2013 Ordia, K. L., Guidelines and Considerations for Biophilic Interior Design in Healthcare Environments

Environmental Design Research Association Conference (EDRA44 Providence) Providence, RI / May 29 - June 1, 2013

### 2013 Ordia, K. L. Austin | Madrid: A Case Study for Compact Green Family Living in American Cities

Florida International University Interior Architecture Symposium Poster Presentation

Miami, Florida / April 29, 2013

PUBLICATIONS IN EDITED VOLUMES

## 2024 “Rewild.” Public Interiority: Exploring Interiors in the Public Realm

Ed. Liz Teston.

Routhledge. Print. ISBN: 9781032797144

## 2014 “Mas Moss: A Living Curtain.” Center 19: CURTAINS.

Ed. Michael Benedikt. Austin: Center for American Architecture and Design, 2014. 96-99. Print. ISBN: 978-0-934951-20-3

JURIED PRESENTATIONS

2025 Brager, G., Mick, M., **Ordia, K.L.**, Puttock, R. ***Teaching Biophilic Design***

Biophilic Leadership Summit

Serenbe, GA / March 30 - April 1, 2025

2025 Mick, M. & **K.L. Ordia. *Rewilding Human Habitat: Liminal Space in the Built Environment.***

Biophilia: Designing for Animals Symposium

Penn State University, University Park, PA / March 2-3, 2025

2022 **Ordia, K.L**., & Stoner, A. ***Health and Equity Through Biophilic Design***

EdSpaces 2022

Portland, OR / Nov 2-4, 2022

2022 **Ordia, K.L., *Framing Urban Biophilic Interiors Through Design Ethics***

NeoCon 2022

Chicago, IL / June 13 - 15, 2022

JURIED CREATIVE ACTIVITY

2025 **Ordia, K.L., *Urban Nature Interiority: Micro-climate***

Juried Exhibition: Interior Provocations and Symposium (International) Austin, Texas / Symposium: November 7, 2025

Acceptance Rate: tba

2023 **Ordia, K.L., *(re)wild***

Juried Exhibition: Public Interiority Exhibition and Symposium (International) Knoxville, Tennessee / January 17 - February 18, 2023

Acceptance Rate: 43%

2013 **Ordia, K. L.,** Glass, T., Siddiqui, I.**, *Mas Moss***

Juried Exhibition: DesignLAB Next Nest Exhibition (International) Santa Fe, New Mexico / November 2 to 29, 2013

Acceptance Rate: 14.78% (17/115)

2013 **Ordia, K. L.,** Glass, T., Siddiqui, I., ***Mas Moss***

Juried Exhibition: Curtains: Center for American Architecture and Design Symposium (International)

Austin, TX / October 2013 Acceptance Rate: 12.5% (20/160)

INVITED BOOK REVIEW

2025\* **Ordia, K.L., Reviewed Work: *Nature Inside: Plants and Flowers in the Modern Interiors***

## by Penny Sparke

Journal of the Society of Architectural Historians

\*Date Sept 2025, Vol. 84

RESEARCH AWARDS

## 2023 Top 5 Abstract in Scholarship of Teaching and Learning Category

Abstract Presentation: The Future of Nature Integration in The Urban Interior: Education, Growth, and Food Resiliency

Interior Design Educators Council (IDEC) National Conference Vancouver, BC / March 8-11, 2023

## 2022 Members Choice Award

Abstract Presentation: Biophilic Interior Spatial Ecologies Interior Design Educators Council (IDEC) National Conference Virtual due to Covid-19 / March 1-4, 2022

## 2014 Best in Category Design as Idea, Creative Scholarship

Abstract Presentation: Mas Moss: A Living Curtain

Interior Design Educators Council (IDEC) National Conference New Orleans, Louisiana / March 6-8, 2014

## 2013 Honorable Mention - Professional Category

Juried Exhibition: Mass Moss

DesignLAB Next Nest Exhibition (International) Santa Fe, New Mexico / November 2 to 29, 2013

2012 **Outstanding Thesis Award, University of Texas at Austin School of Architecture** Thesis: “Guidelines and Considerations for Biophilic Interior Design in Healthcare Environments.” Advisors: Carl Matthews & Mirka Benes

EXTERNAL FUNDED RESEARCH GRANTS

## 2023 Ordia, Kendra, Biophilic Leadership Summit & Workshop

International Interior Design Association (IIDA) Great Plains Chapter 2023 Design Discovery Fund

Grant Funding Amount: **$3500**

2016 **Ordia, Kendra,** & Bhalodia, Anjali, **Faculty Work Modes in the Academic Environment Research Report /** Ordia, K., Bhalodia, A., & Gierdowski, D. Faculty Work Modes in the Academic Environment. Herman Miller Research Group, May 15, 2019.

Herman Miller, Private / Foundation / Corporate, **$20,000**

Submitted: November 13, 2015, Funded: January 1, 2016 - August 2018 Sponsored Research

March 2016 – May 2016:

* $10,000.00 of in-kind support in the form of Herman Miller product for Faculty Suite Mockup (retail value: $40,000)
* $2,000.00 of in-kind support in the form of research consultation. June 2016 – June 2017:
* $5,000.00 in the form of a grant to support research and publication of findings
* $3,000.00 of in-kind support in the form of research consultation.

INTERNAL FUNDED RESEARCH GRANTS

2022 - 2024 Schutte, A. Hubbard, N. (Co-PIs), Hatton-Bowers, H., Karle, S., Krause, K., **Ordia, K.\*,** Torquati, J. (Co-I).

## Advancing Cutting-Edge Research and Practices to Increase Access and Use of Green Space and Outdoor Play in Early Childhood Settings

University of Nebraska - Grand Challenges Planning Grant Grant Funding Amount: **$148,769 total**

## \*Art and Design Core Team Lead

2022 - 2024 Andrews, T., Chaidez, V., Kelley, M., Zuckerman, S. (PIs), Palmer-Wackerly, A., Springer, P., Wheeler, L. (Co-I), Burkheart Kriesel, C., Hamann, T., Herbert, M., Hobbs, A., Jenkins, J., Kirkpatrick, C., Krehbiel, M., Lindsley, D., Lingard, J., Nacke, B., Nixon, J., **Ordia, K**., Rasmussen, J., Shenefelt, B., Viesca, K. (Team Members), Hoyt, D., Raikes, A. (Advisors)

## Nebraska Community Action Research for Equity and Sustainability (NE CARES) Hub

University of Nebraska - Grand Challenges Planning Grant Grant Funding Amount: **$149,237 total**

2021-2023 **Ordia, Kendra** & Bicak, Nate **(Co-PIs), BioMateriality and the Interior Built Environment**

Pilot Project Seed Grant

University of Nebraska Lincoln Layman Award, **$10,000**

## 2020 - 2026 Ordia, Kendra, Merle & Trula Bachman Professorship in Health Care Design

College of Architecture Professorship Professorship Funding Amount: **$10,000 annually**

RESEARCH DEVELOPMENT ACTIVITIES

## 2024 Biophilic Leadership Summit: Biophilic Placemaking

The Biophilic Leadership Summit is the only multi-day conference entirely focused on biophilic projects, research & principles, bringing together top industry thought-leaders to network, build partnerships and learn from each other. Serenbe, GA. March, 24-26, 2024.

## 2019 - 2020 University of Nebraska Research Development Fellows Program (RDFP)

Selected to participate in the University of Nebraska Lincoln’s Office of Research and Economic Development (ORED) initiative designed to provide full-time, pre-tenure faculty with the information, resources and approaches necessary to prepare competitive

grant proposals.

QUOTES IN POPULAR PRESS

2023 **Lutz, Amanda. “How to Create a Healing Space for Recovery Post Surgery,” Architectural Digest.** Nov 2, 2023 [https://www.architecturaldigest.com/reviews/home-improvement/recovery-post-surgery](http://www.architecturaldigest.com/reviews/home-improvement/recovery-post-surgery)

INVITED ENGAGEMENTS AND PRESENTATIONS

## 2025 Invited Speaker, Biodesign

Kent State University, College of Architecture and Environmental Design Virtual / September 2, 2025

## 2025 Invited Speaker, Designing with Freedom

ASID GATHER

Co-presenters: Taneshia West Alberts, Auburn University; Dawn Haynie, Georgia State Atlanta, GA / August 18, 2025

## 2025 Invited Speaker, Night Lights Lecture Series: Bio-inspired Design: Discovery Nature Patterns

Kewit Luminarium Omaha, NE/ July 17, 2025

## 2025 Invited Workshop Facilitator, Natural Patterns

Kewit Luminarium

Omaha, NE/ July 5 & 6, 2025

## 2025 Invited Panelist, Design Leaders

Virtual /January 24, 2025

ASID Ones to Watch - 2024 Award winners

Panelist: Denise Rush, Dean of Interior Architecture at the Boston Architectural College; Kendra Ordia, Assistant Professor and ASID National Board Member

## 2024 Invited Speaker, Biophilia + Bioutilization in Interior Design

Kent State University, College of Architecture and Environmental Design Virtual / October 8, 2024

## 2024 Invited Panel Moderator, Building Your Brand

Virtual + IDCEC CEU /April 19, 2024

Panelist: Jonny Bywater - Designer, MBH Architects; Abby Scott - Interior Design Principle, HDR.

## 2023 Invited Panel Moderator, Learning New

IIDA Collective Design, Season 4, Episode 5 Virtual + IDCEC CEU / September 14, 2023

Panelist: Dr. Angelita Scott - Director, Community Concept and Health Equity Lead IWBI; Igor Siddiqui, Director of Interior Design and Associate Professor, UTSOA; Milagros Zingoni Phiellip, Associate Professor and Director of School of Interior

Architecture, UT Knoxville.

## 2023 Invited Speaker, Biophilic Interior Design

The Arbor Day Foundation Lincoln, NE / April 26, 2023

## 2022 Invited Thought Leader, Committee on Climate, Health, and Equity

ASID Design Summit

Sonoma, CA / November 15 - 17, 2022

## 2022 Invited Panelist, Women in Green

USGBC Nebraska

Lincoln, NE / October 13, 2022

## 2022 Invited Speaker, Career Path: Educator

Gather 2022 - The National Conference by ASID Miami, FL / Sept 21 - 24, 2022

## 2022 Invited Speaker, Framing Urban Biophilic Interiors Through Design Ethics

ASID NE/IA Annual Conference Omaha, NE / May 19, 2022

## 2021 Invited Panelist, School-to-Work Transition: Reality Check

SCALE: The ASID National Student Summit, American Society of Interior Designers Washington DC / September 10 - 12, 2021

Fellow Panelist: Kelsey Davidson - SALT; Santiago Rivera - Gensler

## 2021 Invited Speaker, Diversity, Equity and Inclusivity (DEI) in Design

SCALE: The ASID National Student Summit, American Society of Interior Designers Washington DC / September 10 - 12, 2021

Co-presenter: Taruan Mabry - ICrave

## 2020 Invited Speaker, Crafting Your Presentation

IIDA Mid-America Brand U Student Symposium, Virtual due to Covid-19

## 2019 Invited Speaker, Portfolios 101

IIDA TX/OK Student Conference, International Interior Design Association, Dallas, TX

## 2017 Invited Speaker, Biophilic Design

LG Design Monthly, Lauckgroup / Dallas, Houston, and Austin, TX

## 2017 Invited Speaker, Design your Future; Develop Your Portfolio

SCALE: The ASID National Student Summit, American Society of Interior Designers Oklahoma City, OK / March 31 - April 2, 2017

Co-presenter: Tamie Glass

## 2017 Invited Speaker, Design your Future; Develop Your Portfolio

ASID Texas Student Symposium, American Society of Interior Designers / Austin, TX. Co-presenter: Tamie Glass

## 2016 Invited Speaker, Career Development

ASID Texas Student Symposium, American Society of Interior Designers / Austin, TX.

PROFESSIONAL PROJECTS

2016 - 2019 **Perkins + Will (formerly Lauckgroup) / Senior Designer** CoverMyMeds Campus (Interiors) / Columbus OH Zelle / Dallas TX

Roku / Austin TX Enthought / Austin TX

LogicMonitor / Austin TX & Changdu, China OwnLocal / Austin TX

Cadence Design Systems / Austin TX World First / Austin TX

Social Solutions / Austin TX

2015 - 2018 **Freelance Interior Design**

Riley Cedar Fever Residence / Austin TX

Deans For Impact Office & Lab / Austin TX

2013 - 2015 **Gensler / Senior Designer**

U.S. General Services Administration Historic Austin Courthouse / Austin TX

Balfour Beatty Construction Office / Austin TX Addie Roy/Cousteau Residence / Austin TX Sonesta Bee Cave Hotel / Austin TX

Visa / Austin TX

Deloitte University Greenhouse / Westlake TX PS Bar / Austin TX

Andrews Kurth LLP / Austin TX

Office of Milton Verret / Austin TX

900 Congress Lobby Repositioning / Austin TX IBM MobileFirst Client Experience / Austin TX Research Park Plaza IV Lobby / Austin TX

## 2011; 2012 Rhode Partners & Glass & Dangel / Freelance Designer

San Saba Drive Residence / Odessa TX Sun Down Residence / Austin TX

Oohla Bean Inn / Driftwood TX

2006 - 2011 **CallisonRTKL / Designer**

Baylor Medical Center / McKinney TX Children’s Medical Center Tower IIIB / Dallas TX

Community Hospital East Labor and Delivery Interiors Renovation / Indianapolis IN

SOFTWARE

# SERVICE

UNIVERSITY

Community Hospital South Expansion / Indianapolis IN Community Hospital North Expansion / Indianapolis IN Health Alliance West Chester Medical Center / Cincinnati OH Tulane Regional Medical Center / Tulane CA

University of California - San Diego Sulpizio Family Cardiovascular Center / La Jolla CA UT Southwestern Medical Center Soloman Advanced Diagnostic Center / Dallas TX

## Revit / Adobe Photoshop / Adobe InDesign / AutoCAD

2025 **UNL Guzman Ethnic Studies Donor Classroom Renovation** / Interior Design Faculty Advisor

2019 - 2020 **UNL CoreNET Interdisciplinary Student Competition** / Faculty Advisor

2017 - 2018 **TX State Environmental Services Committee** / Voting Member

## 2013 Kansas State University 2025 Sustainability Committee / Member

COLLEGE

2023 **UNL College of Architecture New Building Addition Ad Hoc Furniture Committee** / Chair 2022 - current **UNL College of Architecture Career Fair Committee** / Interior Design Representative

2022 **UNL College of Architecture Dean Search Committee** / Member

2022 **UNL College of Architecture Renovation - Furniture Design Support** / Coordination 2019 - 2023 **UNL College of Architecture Facilities & Resources Committee** / Chair, Voting Member 2017 **TX State Faculty Search Committee - Interior Design** / Member

2017 **TX State Faculty Search Committee - Nutrition** / Member

2015 - 2018 **TX State University FCS 132 & 216 Space Planning Efforts** / Participant & Contact

## 2012 - 2013 Kansas State University College of Architecture, Planning, and Design Development and Communications Committee / Member

2012-2013 **Kansas State University College of Architecture, Planning, and Design Mock Interview**

**and Design Expo Portfolio Review** / Reviewer

## 2012 Kansas State University College of Architecture, Planning, and Design Programming Committee / Member

DEPARTMENT/ SCHOOL

2024 - 2025 **UNL ID Faculty Search Committee** / Member

2023 - 2024 **UNL ID Faculty Search Committee** / Member

2020 - 2021 **UNL ID Product Design Search Committee** / Member

2020, 2024 **UNL IIDA Student Design Competition** / Faculty Mentor

2019 - 2024 **UNL ASID/IIDA Student Chapter** / Faculty Advisor

2019 - 2020 **UNL ID Faculty Search Committee** / Member

2019 - 2020 **UNL BIG 10 Student Design Competition** / Co-faculty Advisor w/Nate Bicak

2017 - 2018 **TX State American Society of Interior Designers (ASID) Student Chapter** / Faculty Advisor 2017 **TX State IIDA/ASID Salary Expectations and Negotiations Panel** / Panelist

2016 - 2018 **ID 3323 Studio II Reviews** / Critic

2016 **Wilsonart Factory Tour & Field Trip for Texas State ID Students** / Co-leader w/ Anjali Bhalodia

2016 **TX State University Donghia Scholarship Committee** / Member

2016 **ID 3324 - Professional Practice** / Reviewer

2015 - 2018 **ID Curriculum Committee** / Member

2015 **ID 2323 Design Development Review** / Critic

2015 **ID 4120 Portfolio Review** / Critic

2015 **ID 3323 Studio II Revit Workshop** / Guest Lecturer

2015 **Revit Workshop, ASID and IIDA Student Organizations** / Guest Lecturer

## 2013 Kansas State Interior Architecture and Product Design Department Tenure-track Assistant Professor (Digital Focus) Search Committee / Member

PROFESSIONAL / ACADEMY

2025 - 2027 **IDEC Scholarship Collaborative** / Abstract Coordinator (25-26 shadowing/26-27 lead) 2025 - current **IDEC National Conference Volunteer** / Abstract Secret Reviewer

2024 - current **ASID Research and Development Committee** / Board Liaison

2024 - current **ASID Continuing Education Committee** / Board Liaison

2024 **IDEC 2025 National Conference Creative Scholarship Reviewer** / Referee 2024 - current **IDEC Inclusion, Diversity, Equity, and Belonging Committee** / Member 2024 **IDEC Virtual Symposium** / Abstract Referee

2024 **IDEC Teaching Excellence Award** / Referee

2023 **Routledge Book Proposal: *Design Insights: Evolving Strategies for Healthy Interior Environments*** / Referee

2023 **Legislative Working Sessions for LB 471** / Interior Design Representative (one of two)

2023 **ASID Committee on Climate, Health, and Equity** / Research Team Leader: Promote Holistic Health

2023 **ASID Committee on Climate, Health, and Equity** / Member; Knowledge and Learning Subcommittee

2023 **IDEC Student Design Competition** / Juror

2022 **AIA South Dakota Awards** / Juror

2022 - current\* **IIDA Equity Council** / Education Committee Subcommittee Member (*\*council currently on hold*) 2021 **ASID Student Portfolio Competition** / Juror

2020 - current **State of Nebraska ASID/IIDA Advocacy** / Volunteer + Legislative Testifier

2020 - 2022 **IDEC Special Projects Grant Committee** / Referee

2020 **Routledge Book Proposal: *Programming for Tomorrow*** / Referee

2020 **ASID Virtual Summer Internship Program** / Portfolio Reviewer

2019 **ASID TX Chapter Scholarship Committee** / Reviewer

2017 - 2018 **ASID TX Chapter Board** / Student Affairs Chair

## 2016; 2017 IDEC 2017 & 2018 National Conference - Design as Art Creative Scholarship / Referee 2016 IDEC 2016 Southwest Regional Conference Creative Scholarship Reviewer / Referee

2016 **University of Texas Austin Donghia Scholarship Selection Committee** / Reviewer

2015 **IDEC Midwest Region Creative Scholarship** / Coordinator

2014 **IDEC 2015 National Conference Planning Committee** / Member

2013 - 2015 **Gensler Campus Champion and Intern Committee** / Rep to K-state and University of Texas

COMMUNITY

2023 - 2025 **City of Crete, Nebraska Historical Preservation Commission** / Member

2023 - 2024 **Haymarket Neighborhood Association** / Co-President

2022 - current **Preservation Association of Lincoln** / Member

2014 **Inherit Austin Fehr House Docent, Preservation Austin 22nd Annual Homes Tou**r / Docent 2013; 2014 **IIDA Austin City Center rEvolution rEdesign benefiting Social Design Alliance** / Design Team

Participant

SERVICE AWARDS & HONORS

2015 **Interior Design Educators Council 2015 Service Award** / National Conference Planning Committee