

RICHARD JOHNSON
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RICHARD JOHNSON LANDSCAPE ARCHITECT

Richard Johnson was raised in a Navy family, living in many places before the family settled in Florida when he was in elementary school. A fascination with plants and botany lead him to study Horticulture at Cornell University (BS 1976), North Carolina State University (MS 1979) and the University of Minnesota (PhD 1982). Richard then became an Associate Professor in Horticulture at Virginia Tech for three and a half years, teaching courses required of students in the Horticulture and Landscape Architecture programs. That inspired him to shift gears a bit and he returned to graduate school for the last time, for a MLA degree from Harvard University earned in 1989.

Richard has been a registered Landscape Architect since 1992, working initially with nationally known firms in Cambridge, Belmont and Boston. He moved to Falmouth in 1995 to work with Stephen Stimson Associates, where he specialized in high end residential design, college and university projects, and design for ecologically sensitive sites. In 2009, Richard left to form his own firm, Richard Johnson Landscape Architect, specializing in high end residential design, with projects in Nantucket, Cape Cod and the Boston area. He is also an Adjunct Professor in the Landscape Architecture Department at RISD, where he has taught since 2008. He is a member of the American Society of Landscape Architects, and in 2009 was inducted into the New England Design Hall of Fame.

Richard is currently Co Chair of the Gay and Lesbian Equity Fund, where he has been actively involved since 1998. He served on the Falmouth Design Review Committee for many years. He loves music, particularly opera, reads avidly, and enjoys cooking, kayaking and sometimes fly fishing in his leisure time.