



"Architecture is a way of life. It is a way of thinking and a way of living. It is a way of seeing the world and a way of making it better."

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5 ft. 8 in.

140 lbs.

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Architect

I was born in Harrisburg, Pennsylvania. I graduated with a Bachelor of Architecture from Carnegie-Mellon University in 1953. I served in the U.S. Army from 1953 to 1957 as 1st lieutenant in the corps of engineers at Andersen AFB, Guam. I did graduate architectural study at Yale University in 1960-61, then was chief architect doing design and supervision for all southeast Asia projects for Adrian Wilson and Assoc., based in Manila, Philippines Island.

In 1968 we established Moyes, Detweiler & Assoc. for the practice of architecture, engineering and planning in Honolulu. In 1975 I designed and built my home in Honolulu which won an A.I.A.-Jurnal magazine award in 1977. The idea of architecture gives complete meaning to my life. The intellectual, spatial, functional and economic relationships are the inevitable reflection of truth, honesty and integrity, which are the ideals I strive for in my life.

My favorite movies are *Know Infinite* — at age 8, I was introduced to the magical art of drawing, and it is still with me in my architectural drawings; and *The Maltese Falcon*. My favorite book is *The Accent of Manly L. Bernowksi*. It's an overview of the wonder and energy of the cosmos, and our relation to this energy.

The past few years have been a time of transition in my life, and knowledge makes transitions more understandable. Leisure time has been used to read, study and contemplate and act upon the realignment of my life so that I can insure the continuance of security and freedom for me and my loved ones.

My favorite things are things that reflect intelligence in design, beauty in execution and utility of function. The people I admire and love have a strong sense of personal integrity and a very real sense of personal freedom, both for themselves and their peers. I'm sure Frank Lloyd Wright would not mind being included here, as he has stimulated me intellectually along the path of action I chose quite a long time ago.

In the next few years I'm excited about re-experiencing the joys of childhood through the eyes of my 5 year old daughter, Devon. If I picked another time to live it would be the year 1508, and I cannot conceive of being anything but an architect, preferably in charge.

As long as the basic tenets of simplicity, honesty and inevitability are present, I can be pleased by innumerable things, actions and people.

Qualities I look for in a woman are integrity, friendship and a sense of humor — since there are enough comic jokes around to be enjoyed.

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