



**Craig M. Bennett, Jr., PE**

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Craig Bennett is a structural engineer with undergraduate degrees in both civil engineering and architecture, and a graduate degree in structural engineering. His experience includes design of new structures of all sizes, including several early years in the design of high-rise hotels and office buildings.

Mr. Bennett's particular strength is in the structural evaluation, repair, rehabilitation, and restoration of existing structures, with a specialization in historic preservation. His work regularly involves assessment of the causes of structural distress or failure and the design of rehabilitative measures, generally in a historic context.

Mr. Bennett is a former faculty member in the College of Architecture and the School of Civil Engineering at Georgia Tech. He is currently Adjunct Faculty in the College of Charleston program in Historic Preservation, is Past-president of the Board of Trustees of the Charleston Museum and serves as Chairman of the City of Charleston's Board of Architectural Review.

### **Professional Experience**

July 2012-Present	<i>Principal Engineer, Bennett Preservation Engineering, Charleston, SC</i>
2002-2012	<i>Principal Engineer, 4SE, Inc., Charleston, SC</i>
1990-2002	<i>Cummings &amp; McCrady, Inc, Charleston, SC</i>
1985-1990	<i>Sheridan Corp., Charleston, SC</i>
1981-1985	<i>John Portman &amp; Associates, Atlanta, GA</i>
1978-1985	<i>Faculty, Georgia Tech School of Civil Engineering &amp; College of Architecture, Atlanta, GA</i>

### **Education**

Georgia Institute of Technology	<i>Master of Science in Civil Engineering, Major: Structures, 1981</i> <i>Bachelor of Civil Engineering, 1978</i> <i>Bachelor of Science, Architecture, 1978</i>
École des Beaux-Arts Paris, France	<i>School year of study, 1975-1976</i>

### **Registrations and Professional Affiliations**

Registered Engineer: Georgia, South Carolina, Alabama, Washington, DC  
American Society of Civil Engineers  
American Concrete Institute  
American Institute of Steel Construction  
The Masonry Society

Association for Preservation Technology, International

Regularly lectures at national conferences on structural engineering for historic preservation.

#### Academic Positions

- College of Charleston, current Adjunct Faculty in the undergraduate program in Historic Preservation and Community Planning
- College of Charleston / Clemson University Joint Program in Historic Preservation, regular lecturer
- Georgia Tech, Faculty of the College of Architecture and School of Civil Engineering, 1978-1985

#### Civic and Community Activities

- City of Charleston Board of Architectural Review, Current Chairman
- Charleston Museum, Past-President, Board of Trustees
- Charles Towne Neighborhood Association, past Board Member
- Charleston Symphony Orchestra, past Board Member
- St. Philip's Episcopal Church, past Vestry Member
- Charleston Computer Club, past President

#### Honors and Awards

- Honor awards by the Palmetto Trust for Historic Preservation for:
  - Grace Episcopal Church, Structural Stabilization and Tower Strengthening, 2011
  - The Church of the Holy Cross, Structural Repairs and Restoration, 2011
  - The Cathedral Church of St. Luke and St. Paul, 2008
  - Walker Hall at the South Carolina School for the Deaf and the Blind, Spartanburg, 2005
  - St. Philip's Episcopal Church, 1995
- Historic Savannah Foundation Preservation Award for the First Baptist Church Savannah, 2011
- Award for Outstanding Support of the Citadel School of Engineering, 2007
- Award for Engineering Excellence by Charleston Contractor's Association, 2006
- Georgia Trust for Historic Preservation Award for preservation work on St. Luke's Episcopal Church & Tower, Atlanta, 2001
- Robert N.S. and Patti Foos Whitelaw Founders' Award for preservation work on St. Michael's Episcopal Church, 1994 (at Cummings & McCrady Architects)
- Chi Epsilon National Civil Engineering Honor Society
- Work in Charleston has won numerous Carolopolis Awards from The Preservation Society of Charleston.



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**Relevant Experience**

1690-1710	<i>141 Church Street, Charleston, SC</i>
1738-1742	<i>Drayton Hall, Charleston, SC</i>
1751	<i>St. Michael's Episcopal Church, Charleston, SC</i>
1764	<i>Pompion Hill Chapel, Huger, SC</i>
c.1780	<i>56 South Battery, Charleston, SC</i>
1790s	<i>69 Church Street, Charleston, SC</i>
1791	<i>Lt. Governor Ladson House, 31 Meeting Street, Charleston, SC</i>
1795-1799	<i>Beaufort Arsenal, Beaufort, SC</i>
c.1800	<i>Missroon House, Charleston, SC</i>
1809	<i>Fort Washington, Prince George's County, MD</i>
1814	<i>Cathedral Church of St. Luke and St. Paul, Charleston, SC</i>
1820	<i>William Mason Smith House, 26 Meeting Street, Charleston, SC</i>
1826	<i>The Fireproof Building, Charleston, SC</i>
1828-1930	<i>Randolph Hall, Towell Library, Porter's Lodge, Charleston, SC</i>
1835	<i>St. Philip's Episcopal Church, Charleston, SC</i>
1840s	<i>21 Legare Street, Charleston, SC</i>
1840s	<i>5 College Way, Charleston, SC</i>
1843	<i>Gaineswood Historic House, Demopolis, AL</i>
1845	<i>Bennett Rice Mill, Charleston, SC</i>
1846	<i>Grace Episcopal Church, Charleston, SC</i>
1846	<i>Fort Jefferson National Monument, Dry Tortugas National Park, Garden Key, FL</i>
1848	<i>Walker Hall, Spartanburg, SC</i>
1850	<i>Church of the Holy Cross, Stateburg, SC</i>
1906	<i>St. Luke's Episcopal Church, Atlanta, GA</i>
1925	<i>Fort Sumter House, Charleston, SC</i>
1929	<i>St. John's Episcopal Church, Lynchburg, VA</i>