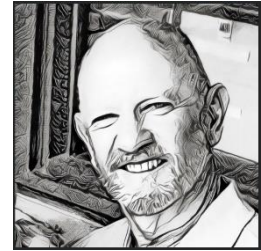


# Release of *The Edward T. White Library* by ArchiBasics Press

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ArchiBasics Press, a joint venture of architects (ret.) and professors Edward T. “Tim” White and Barry D. Yatt, is excited to announce the immanent release of Prof. White’s complete, seminal writings in full original format as *The Edward T. White Library*. It includes these titles:



**Design**, both architectural and urban

- **Portal • Path • Place:** Appreciating Public Space in Urban Environments
- **Travel Drawing:** Engaging the Spirit of Place
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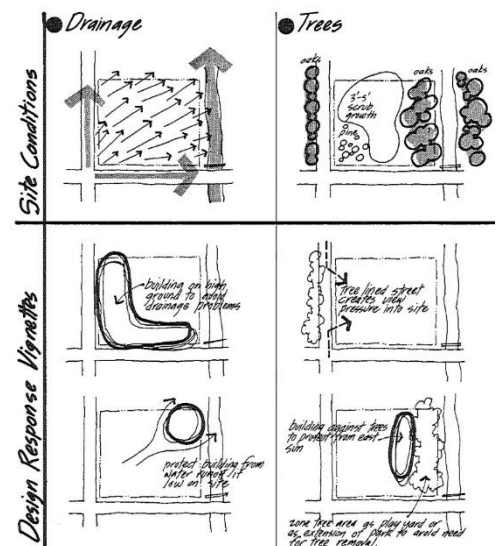
- **Site Analysis:** Diagramming Information for Architectural Design
- **Space Adjacency Analysis:** Diagramming Information for Architectural Design
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**Architectural Practice Management**, process as a client service

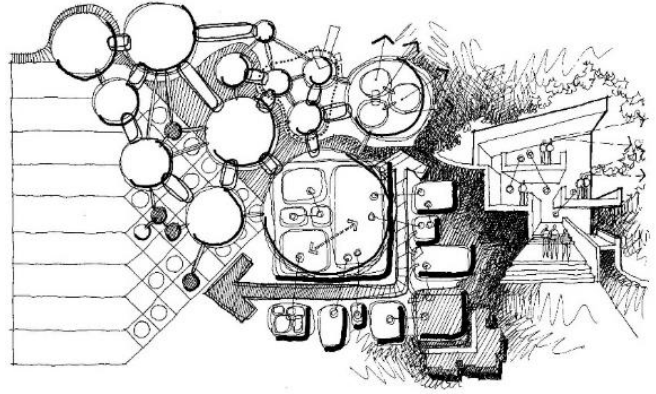
- **Design Analytics:** Notes on Facility Programming and Building Evaluation
- **Facility Programming in the United States:** Interviews with Architects
- **Design Briefing in England:** Interviews with Architects

**What?** Prof. White is arguably the most methodical, eloquent, and graphically inventive explainer of design in general, of effective design technique, and of designing for behavioral-contextual functionality. His books explore what makes a particular design meaningful, how the best designs manage to achieve both order and innovation, how designers can process and then retrieve knowledge through such manual techniques as observation and sketching, how project goals can be established before designing, how built designs can be evaluated once occupied, and how that’s all done in practice.

ArchiBasics Press is committed to hard copy publishing because we feel that the critical value of Prof. White’s illustrations cannot be realized on screen.



**Why?** There's an old joke that *engineers learn more and more about less and less until they know everything about nothing and that architects learn less and less about more and more until they know nothing about everything*. Design is an art but also a science. The best designers are specialists who gather information on all the issues that inform a good project but are also generalists who can step back and connect the dots. This is exceedingly difficult to do well. Effective designs are said to be durable, beautiful, and functional. Information is readily available on designing for durability and beauty but there's very little on how to achieve functionality. Prof. White's books help fill that void.



**Why Now?** As these books were first written years ago, readers may wonder if they are still relevant. The truth is that there's still nothing better or even close. Fact-based decisions are increasingly necessary – even in the design professions, which skew so heavily toward art. Of course, sometimes without grounding decisions in investigation, exploration, and collaboration, projects can still succeed. But the contemporary world of slim margins and extreme consequences is far better suited to projects based on the rigor Prof. White advances. The original texts have been minimally edited to eliminate obsolete references. Any remaining won't reduce the power of the message.

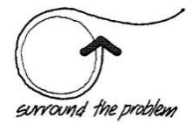
**When?** Most of these revised titles including three brand new titles (Design Analytics, and the two Interviews with Architects volumes) will be available in spring 2025 through the ArchiBasics Press website.

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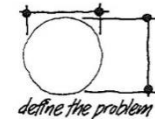
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