

DAVID KAMP: SELECTED PROJECTS

The Joel Schnaper Memorial Garden Cardinal Cooke Health Care Center, New York, NY (1994)

Created in the early years of the AIDS pandemic, the rooftop garden offers patients and their caregivers the opportunity to interact with nature, both by nurturing plants and experiencing a range of outdoor spaces. The project became the springboard for Kamp's lifelong exploration of the power of design to improve health.

Rockefeller Center Channel Gardens New York, NY (1996)

A lush landscape design utilizing native plants brought seasonal beauty to one of Manhattan's most prominent urban spaces.

Nona and Elizabeth Evans Restorative Garden Cleveland Botanic Garden, Cleveland, OH (2000)

This public garden welcomes everyone, regardless of capability. Visitors enter a sequence of outdoor garden rooms, engaging with nature in their own way and at their own pace.

Mountain House Steamboat Springs, CO (2001)

The design for this private wilderness homestead incorporates the needs of a large family into a sensitive ecosystem, highlighting the intrinsic link between human and environmental health.

Putnam Science Center Courtyard Keene State College, Keene, NH (2002)

In the reconstruction of the Science Center, an underused courtyard was revitalized to become a model field laboratory. Designed to reflect the essence of the New Hampshire landscape, the outdoor classroom promotes geological, botanical, and ecological awareness.

The Center for Discovery Harris, NY (2004)

This degraded site was transformed into a thriving landscape honoring the region's agricultural heritage. Individuals with complex medical conditions have opportunities to experience nature and familiar, local traditions.

Life Enrichment Center Kings Mountain, NC (2004)

The Life Enrichment Center, a national model for adult day care, encourages individuals with cognitive and physical challenges to become active participants in the daily life of the facility. Carefully designed in collaboration with staff, the outdoor setting extends and complements the center's therapeutic and social programs, facilitating a sense of personal accomplishment, contribution, and dignity.

Monter Cancer Center North New Hyde Park, NY (2004)

The conversion of a historic warehouse into a new outpatient facility transformed an industrial-scale space into a welcoming environment for care and treatment. The design features a series of interior courtyards developed in collaboration with the hospital's infectious disease specialist to ensure that selected plants could be integrated into the patient environment.

Simons Center for Geometry and Physics Stony Brook University, Stony Brook, NY (2008)

The unique program of this international academic and research center inspired a landscape addressing environmentally challenging issues while giving visual expression to mathematical and scientific concepts.

International Elementary, Middle, and High School Campus Mons, Belgium (2009)

This vast educational campus, welcoming children from ten countries, is unified by a central Landscape Commons. Within this shared space, the experience and study of nature offers common ground to different age groups and cultures.

Camphill Ghent Chatham, NY (2009)

This rural community for elders with cognitive challenges extends the social-therapeutic model of the international Camphill organization by focusing on residential life in relation to the land. The design supports the community's mission to care for the individual, the group, and the environment.

Neonatal Intensive Care Unit Danbury Hospital, Danbury, CT (2011)

Comprising a skylit, glass-enclosed pavilion, terrace, and lush planting areas, the rooftop garden was designed to provide parents, family and staff a restorative environment while staying close to the NICU.

Sensory Arts Garden The Els Center of Excellence, Jupiter, FL (2016)

Through a collaborative design process grounded in interdisciplinary research, this garden designed for individuals with autism spectrum disorder emphasizes nature as an essential partner in health and wellness. The design offers a series of calibrated sensory experiences that celebrate individual strengths and preferences in a nurturing environment.

Lakeshore Foundation Campus Commons and Woodland Walk Birmingham, AL (2018)

Designed in collaboration with one of the nation's leading advocates for accessibility within a world-renowned training site for the US Olympic & Paralympic teams, this landscape plan advances the facility's sports and recreation research programs in a cohesive campus that features accessible outdoor spaces.

Wildflower Studios Queens, NY (in development)

This project features an urban waterfront park to be constructed in conjunction with a new 650,000 square-foot film studio designed by Bjarke Ingels Group. Using phytoremediation and other strategies to remove and stabilize contaminants in the water and soil, the highly polluted industrial site will be transformed into publicly accessible open space with increased habitat for shorebird, insect, and bat populations.

Mid-Hudson Forensic Psychiatric Center New Hampton, NY (in development)

Spearheaded by the New York State Department of Mental Health, this project features a new, replacement hospital built into a hillside, an approach that will nurture human psyches as well as the site's ecological health. The new design also features green roofs and farm fields. In this project, individual, community, and environmental health contribute to a balanced, long-term vision for human resiliency.

Blue Climate Initiative Blue Climate Summit 2021

Promoting health from a broad perspective, Kamp was invited to join a global network of researchers, practitioners, and leaders to explore ocean-based strategies to combat climate change. Focused on the world's coastal and island communities, their goal is to address climate change while protecting and conserving the oceans and leveraging their power to address some of the greatest challenges of the day—renewable energy, sustainable food, clean drinking water, improved human health, flourishing biodiversity, and sustainable ocean economies.