## SUSTAINABLE SICHUAN SCHOOLS DESIGN WORKING GROUP REPRESENATIVE SPEAKERS



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Wen Zhao's experience covers a wide range of complex public and private projects. He has been responsible for the development and management of ZGF's work in China, as well as for the design and planning of healthcare projects, mixed use commercial development, and other institutional projects in the U.S. Master of Architecture, University of Minnesota, Bachelor of Architecture, Chong Qing Institute of Architecture and Engineering (P.R. China)

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Dr. Yu joined Degenkolb in 1999 after earning his Ph.D. in Structural Engineering from the University of California, San Diego. Since joining Degenkolb, Dr. Yu has worked on a variety of projects which include seismic evaluation and retrofit design for existing buildings, structural design for new construction, nonstructural bracing design and post-earthquake inspections. Much of his evaluation and strengthening design work has been for healthcare, educational and high-tech facilities that are required to meet stringent performance levels. He has worked on a US-Japan Cooperative Research Project to assess approximation methodologies for estimating seismic deformation of building structures. In addition, Dr. Yu has conducted post-earthquake inspections of numerous

buildings that were damaged in both the 2001 6.8 magnitude Nisqually Valley Earthquake in Seattle, Washington, and the 2007 8.0 magnitude Ica-Pisco Earthquake in Peru. Dr. Yu was awarded the ASCE Raymond C. Reese Research Prize in 2001 and named Building Design & Construction 40 Under 40 in 2007, Consulting-Specifying Engineer 40 Under 40 in 2008. He received his B.S. in Civil Engineering from Tongji University, Shanghai, China in 1991 and his M.E.in Structural Engineering from Tongji University, Shanghai, China in 1994 and his Ph.D. in Structural Engineering from University of California, San Diego, 1999. *Email: kyu@degenkolb.com* 



## Bill Hart, Principal, Carleton Hart Architecture

Bill Hart is founding partner of Carleton Hart Architecture, a twenty-person firm located along Portland's North Park Blocks. He received his Masters of Architecture from the University of Oregon and a Bachelor of Visual Arts from Dartmouth College. He maintains an expertise in both public and private projects including community and cultural centers, recreation facilities, mixed-use development, multifamily housing developments, religious buildings and aviation related projects. He is recognized both for his northwest style design contributions and public outreach efforts that are culturally, socially and economically sensitive to those having a stake in the community. Bill is one of the firm's sustainable design leaders; he is

experienced at capturing energy efficiencies, life-cycle cost analysis and appropriate selection of environmental materials and monitoring systems. His experience began with passive solar design systems in 1980 and he now works closely with the firm's LEED accredited professionals.

Bill has traveled throughout the world exploring the built environment, researching vernacular architecture, local building techniques and cultural patterns and lifestyles. His travels have taken him to China in 1978 with the US-China Peoples Friendship Association for a month tour of Chinese culture examining schools, towns, cities, institutions, factories and agricultural villages. In addition, Bill lived in Saudi Arabia for several years coleading a 60-person design firm. His experience also includes work in central Africa in Nigeria and Sudan. *Email: bill.hart@carletonhart.com*