



# John Dimopoulos

B.Arch UNSW ACA NSWARB  
 Founder + Managing Director - GEOFORM



John initially began experiencing architecture in the office of Neville Gruzman AM, whom he worked for 3 years whilst still at UNSW. Neville instilled an ongoing interest in the Japanese architectural principles of order, site, technology and sensitivity.

Whilst still at Neville's office, he started Geoform Design upon graduating in 1987, and later Geoform Design Architects after his Board Registration in 2004. He is the sole director and manages all aspects of the design and delivery process.

After 35 continuous years of practicing and teaching at UNSW, the office merges the 2 disciplines with an agenda of rigorous design thinking that is based on the evolution of unique site-responsive forms that aspire to be elegant, practical and evocative.

John sees architecture as a way of looking at the world. To him it is a revelatory process, a lens through which we see something of ourselves and our human condition; a mind-altering substance, an intersection, a portal.

He believes architecture is as much about the world of design, as it is about the design of the world. Simple, immediate and poetic.

His innate curiosity of the world has led to an interdisciplinary and integrated approach to architecture that prioritises a fluid and heuristic methodology but one that is grounded by geometry, simplicity, practicality and robust materiality.

He has established a reputation for his insightful design thinking and his ability to think and work strategically and execute across all drawing scales with graphic clarity.

John has integrated theory and practice across a range of typologies, ranging from furniture design to high-rise towers.

1960 Born in Sydney, Australia.

## Professional

Since 2017 Sutherland shire council – **Chairman**

Design Review Forum (DRF)

2013 - 17

Sutherland shire council – panel member

Design Review Forum (DRF)

## Academic

Since 1988 design tutor at Faculty of Architecture, UNSW, Sydney, Australia.

- All Design years and Masters courses

## Practice

Since 2004 Director of Geoform Design Architects Pty Ltd.

1987 - 2003

Founding partner of Geoform Design and Interiors Pty Ltd.

1987 - 89

Neville Gruzman and Associates.

1984 - 86

Jackson, Teece, Chesterman & Willis.

1983

Public Works, Athens, Greece.

## Education

1988

Bachelor of Architecture

UNSW, Sydney, Australia

## Memberships

Since 2015

Member of Consulting Architects of Australia

Since 2004

Board of Architects of NSW - #7062

Since 1984

Australian institute of Architects –

Level 1 / Fellow

## Selected awards + exhibitions

2000

40-up - Australian Architects Next Generation exhibition, Berlin.

1999 - 2000

Master builders Association -

- Best Residential development.

- 60 prestige residential apartments.

- House of the year.

- Best use of glass