PERSONNEL QUALIFICATIONS



Nikki (Baldvins) Byl | Associate Principal



EDUCATION

- University of Massachusetts Amherst
 - Bachelor of Science, Civil Engineering, 2006
- University of Washington
 - Master of Science, Structural Engineering, 2010

PRACTICE AREAS

- Masonry Structures
- Facade Assessment
- Structural Evaluation
- Building Enclosure Commissioning
- Condition Surveys
- Construction Troubleshooting

REGISTRATIONS

- Certified Construction
 Documents Technologist
- Professional Engineer in MA

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

- Association for Preservation Technology (APT)
- Construction Specification Institute (CSI)
- Structural Engineers Association of Massachusetts (SEAMASS)

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EXPERIENCE

Nikki Byl's diverse background in construction and engineering is applied to the inspection, evaluation, and problem solving of new and existing structures. She works on a variety of projects ranging from roofing assessment and replacement, structural investigation and repair design, and facade inspections to water leakage investigation and testing. Ms. Byl is also the specification coordinator for WJE.

Ms. Byl started her career at WJE as an independent contractor, where she was involved with multiple projects focusing on structural investigations. Prior to joining WJE, she worked as a field engineer for Daniel O'Connell's Sons, Inc. Ms. Byl then worked as a graduate research and teaching assistant at the University of Washington, where her research focused on evaluating the performance of steel-plate shear walls as a seismic force resisting system and is published in the Earthquake Spectra: Journal of the Earthquake Engineering Research Institute.

REPRESENTATIVE PROJECTS

Masonry Structures

- Omni Parker House Hotel Boston, MA:
 Facade ordinance inspection, leakage investigation, and brick, limestone, granite, and stucco facade repair design
- Fairmont Copley Plaza Hotel Boston, MA:
 Facade ordinance inspection; terra cotta,
 limestone masonry, and EIFS facade
 assessment and repair design
- GE Headquarters Boston, MA: Condition assessment and construction documents for facade restoration of two 1907 mass masonry buildings
- 111 Westminster Street Providence, RI:
 Difficult access survey of stone masonry facade for annual maintenance inspections;
 brick and limestone facade repair design

Facade Assessment

The Gillette Company - Boston, MA: Condition assessment, facade ordinance inspections, and water testing of multiple masonry and concrete building enclosures; production of maintenance and repair recommendations

- Black Falcon Cruise Terminal Boston, MA:
 Assessment of historic concrete facades, EIFS,
 and steel windows; concrete repair design
 and construction period services
- University of Rhode Island, Shepard's Building
 Providence: Assessment of historic cast-iron
- 53 State Street Boston, MA: Inspection of glass curtain wall and granite facades; joint sealant repair design and administration
- 245 Summer Street Boston, MA: Condition assessment of more than 3,000 insulating glass units (IGUs)

Structural Evaluation

- GE Headquarters Boston, MA: Structural investigation of pedestrian bridges, steel structure, timber decking, and masonry, including performing in situ compressive and shear strength testing
- Major Nationwide Retail Chain: Inspection and analysis of existing roof truss joist welds
- Amherst College, Powerhouse Building -Amherst, MA: Condition survey of historic steel structure
- St. Luke's Episcopal Church Chester, VT: Structural investigation of the church tower

Building Enclosure Commissioning

- Harvard Fogg Art Museum Cambridge, MA: Enclosure commissioning, design-assist, and construction phase field observations
- Amherst College, Science Center Amherst,
 MA: Enclosure commissioning, peer review,
 and construction phase field observations
- University of Massachusetts, New Laboratory Building - Amherst: Commissioning services for building enclosure

