

biography



David Stephens, LEED® AP

senior consultant - vp

From his early years as a technician operating shows and later as a designer contributing to the overall development of facilities, David is experienced in generating creative and practical solutions. Gifted at managing competing variables in a way that values relationships, David has the capacity to sense core dynamics allowing him to deal with the unnamed issues on a project.

David joined the Acoustic Dimensions team in 2000 to begin our lighting systems design group. His holistic understanding of technology to create experience paired with his gift in leading teams helped transition the firm from an engineering practice to a creative one. David has led the AD team on high profile entertainment projects such as the Las Colinas Entertainment Center, the Oman Convention and Exhibition Center, and the renovation of the Mirage Volcano. He has also led technology design on educational projects for campuses such as Dallas Baptist University, the US Naval Academy and Seattle Pacific University.

Prior to joining Acoustic Dimensions, David had an 18-year career at Disney, where he became the Lighting Design Director working closely with architects, engineers and contractors developing, designing and overseeing installations for projects ranging from theatrical facilities to main street electrical parades. Some of David's facility and show design credits at WDW include design for American Gardens Theatre, Animal Kingdom Theatre, Reflections of Earth (EPCOT Center Lagoon Show), Architectural/Show Lighting system for Cinderella's Castle (Magic Kingdom) and Fantasmic! (Disney/MGM Studios). David also had the privilege of designing an electric light parade for WDW Japan and for providing the entertainment lighting systems design for Euro Disneyland.

David's career in entertainment began even prior to his work with Acoustic Dimensions and Disney. He attended high school at the Hawken School in Cleveland. The performing arts center hosted touring acts as well as academic performances, and David spent four years receiving hands-on experience. After graduation, David served as shop foreman for Washington University in St. Louis. The university performing arts center had a full season with a large dance program which included in-house productions and road companies. David has his Bachelor of Arts in Theatrical Lighting Design.

David is a Senior Consultant and Vice President in our Dallas office.

education

Washington University - St. Louis BA in Theatrical Lighting Design