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**BOKE** *role: CEO/Principal* 1989 - ongoing

[A Taiga Shield Shelter Project](#) 2024 - ongoing

- design project proposed to enable the construction of homes and community buildings in [Canada's Taiga Shield Ecozone](#) by local people, honouring local vernacular architecture building traditions, using primarily local materials, to a net-zero standard

[A Red River Métis Shelter Project](#) 2023 - ongoing

- proposed jointly with Daniel Benoit
- design project proposed to develop new homes and community buildings based on Red River Métis vernacular architecture

[Slag Wool](#) 2022 - ongoing

- proposal to recycle waste smelter slag from northern Manitoba into insulation for use in northern Manitoba buildings

[A Possible Green Solution for Manitoba Hydro's Thermal Generating Station in Brandon](#) 2025

[Manitoba Municipal Biomass Prefeasibility Study](#) 2024

- commissioned by the [Manitoba Sustainable Energy Association \(ManSEA\)](#)
- role: researched, wrote, published & presented proposals for seven Manitoba municipalities—City of Brandon, City of Dauphin, City of Selkirk, RM of De Salaberry, RM of Killarney Turtle Mountain, RM of Piney, and Village of Dunnottar—on renewable energy options for selected municipal buildings in each community

[How to End Diesel Dependency in Remote Communities](#) 2021

- a feasibility study commissioned by Barren Lands First Nation, Northlands Dēnesūliné First Nation, and Sayisi Dene First Nation, with financial support from Natural Resources Canada, Clean Energy for Rural and Remote Communities Bioheat Program
- role: lead author and editor

[Northlands Dēnesūliné Renewable Energy & Remediation](#)

- role: managed operations for Northlands Dēnesūliné First Nation 2020-25
- role: Project Lead of design & construction for [Aki Energy](#) 2016-20
  - project won the 2018 RPIC Award of Excellence in the Field of Contaminated Sites
- role: researched & wrote Pre-Feasibility Study for [Aki Energy](#) 2015

[Biomass Heat for First Nations' Community Buildings](#)

2018

- commissioned by [Aki Energy](#)
- prefeasibility study for Dakota Tipi First Nation, Sagkeeng Anicinabe First Nation, and St. Theresa Point First Nation examining resource availability and potential use of biomass for selected community buildings

*First Nations Waste & Recycling Projects*

- [Sayisi Dene First Nation](#) 2017 - ongoing
  - developed and began implementation of comprehensive plan for waste and recycling for the community
  - hire, train and supervise local staff
  - liaise with Product Recycling Organizations
  - arrange for backhaul
  - role: Project Lead
- [Northlands Dēnesuḷiné First Nation](#) 2017-25
  - developed and began implementation of comprehensive plan for waste and recycling for the community
  - hired, trained and supervised local staff
  - liaised with Product Recycling Organizations
  - arranged for backhaul
  - role: Project Lead
- [Sioux Valley Dakota Nation](#) 2017-18
  - developed and beginning implementation of comprehensive plan for waste and recycling for the community
  - role: Project Lead
- Pimicikimak Cree Nation (Cross Lake Band of Indians) 2017-18
  - developed and beginning implementation of comprehensive plan for waste and recycling for the community
  - role: project team member
- [Derelict Vehicles & Metal](#) 2016-17
  - a project with Keewatin Tribal Council and six First Nations—  
Bunibonibee Cree Nation, Manto Sipi Cree Nation, God's Lake First Nation, Northlands Dēnesuḷiné First Nation, Sayisi Dene First Nation, and Barren Lands First Nation
  - designed and implemented training program for 18 people from 6 remote communities to learn the process and safety requirements for decommissioning derelict cars and light trucks
  - conducted inventory of derelict vehicles in each community
  - researched, purchased, imported & transported two car crushers and related decommissioning equipment to communities
  - role: Project Lead

- *St. Theresa Point First Nation – First Nations Waste Solutions* 2015-16
  - Project proposed creating a social enterprise to concentrate, initially, on recycling derelict vehicles, electronic waste, and blue box items. Once recycling those had begun, the plan was to move on to compostables, construction waste, hazardous waste, and miscellaneous garbage.
  - roles:
    - drafted governance documents for the social enterprise
    - contributed to a business plan
    - supported St. Theresa Point FN in its proposal of this project to other the First Nations in the Island Lake region (Proposal was not accepted – each community preferred to deal with issue themselves.)

*Northlands Dënesųliné First Nation Land Use Planning* 2017-19

- developed and began implementation of comprehensive Land Use Plan (2017-2019)
- role: Project lead

• *Food Sovereignty – From the Ground Up* 2017-18

- a series of discussions between Barren Lands First Nations, Northlands Dënesųliné First Nation, and Sayisi Dene First Nation
- role: secured funding & facilitated project

*Electrification of Local Land Transportation in Remote Communities* 2015

- conducted research on 24 off-road electric vehicles available in the market for [Aki Energy](#)
  - Analysis was conducted on suitability of all these vehicles for use in Garden Hill First Nation for a new farming project.
- roles:
  - researched & wrote proposal
  - with end-users, selected best vehicle option
  - arranged purchase and preparation for shipping

## ACADEMIC INVOLVEMENT

### *Providence University College*

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Professor Emeritus		2025 - ongoing
Associate Professor	Buller School of Business	2016 - 25
Director	Providence’s Buller Centre for Business	2012 - 16
Associate Professor	Business Administration Program	2006 - 12
Assistant Professor	“	2004 - 06
Adjunct Faculty	“	2003 – 04

- areas of focus include:
  - business, the environment, and sustainability
  - the relationships between First Nations and business
  - business ethics
  - non-profit management
  - strategy

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- secured funding & managed design/build of:
  - campus-wide district heating system with central biomass boiler
  - new Lecture Theatre
  - distance-education-enabled Seminar Room
- as part of teams:
  - developed the Business Administration program into the Buller School of Business
  - organized *Nuts & Bolts for Pastors*, a workshop series on administration skills for church leaders
  - organized *Building Better Board/Pastor Relations*, a workshop for church leaders
  - organized *Succeeding At Succession*, a workshop for small businesses
  - organized *Take & Eat*, a conference on food and Creation Care
- working with the Manitoba Trucking Association, developed and advocated for the Greener Trucking Initiative
- worked with students to develop:
  - *Share Your Knowledge*, a community-wide initiative to provide used textbooks to two schools in Africa
  - *BiomassBrokerage.com*, an online market for biomass buyers and sellers
  - *Fuel for the Future*, a fundraising initiative to support a biochar business in a Ugandan refugee camp
  - *Dead Weight Electronics*, an eWaste recycling program
  - *Texts4Less*, a student-run business selling used textbooks on consignment
  - *Take Ten Coffee Shop*, a student-run business

**University of Manitoba Faculty of Architecture Landscape Architecture Department**

Visiting Scholar

2017 - 19

**NON-ACADEMIC EMPLOYMENT**

Interim Director	Manitoba Conservatory of Music & Arts	2003 - 2004
Executive Director	<i>Winnipeg Symphony Orchestra</i>	2000 - 2002
Managing Director	Plug In Institute of Contemporary Art	1996 - 2000
Director of Development	<i>Prairie Theatre Exchange</i> (also Director of Marketing, 1995-1996)	1992 - 1996
Executive Director	<i>Winnipeg Film Group</i>	1987 - 1991
Child Care Worker	<i>Children's Home of Winnipeg</i>	1979 - 1987

**EDUCATION**

MBA	Asper School of Business <i>University of Manitoba</i> Dean's Honor List Member, The Honor Society of Beta Gamma Sigma	2003
BA	Psychology <i>University of Winnipeg</i>	1983
BSc	Biology & Religious Studies <i>University of Winnipeg</i>	1979

**COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT**

<i>Tabernacle Baptist Church</i>	Band Leader	2018 - ongoing
<i>Manitoba Environmental Industries Association</i>	Board Member	2015 - 2023
	Conference Organizing Committee	2012, 2014
<i>Green Faith Alliance</i>	Organizing Committee Member	2012 - 2014
<i>50by30</i>	Steering Committee Member	2010 - 20220
<i>Holy Trinity Anglican Church</i>	Band Leader	1994 - 2017
	Vestry Member	2016 - 2017
	Synod Delegate	2007 - 2013
	People's Warden	2004 - 2007
	Downtown Mission Ministry Committee	1997 - 2003
<i>OMG (Oh My Gospel) Jambouree: Honouring Indigenous Music Awards Gospel Nominees</i>	co-organizer with Leo Dufaul & lead of backup band	2014 & 2015
<i>Manitoba Round Table for Sustainable Development</i>	Member	2014 - 2016
<i>Diocese of Rupert's Land (Anglican Church of Canada)</i>	Chair, Diocese of Rupert's Land Covenant Task Force	2012
	Member, Diocesan Council	2008 - 2010
<i>Canadian Muslim Leadership Council</i>	Facilitator, workshops on the Role of Faith in Public Life	2010 - 2011
<i>Winnipeg Millennium Council</i>	Executive member	1997 - 2001
<i>Performing Arts Consortium (Pantages Theatre)</i>	Board member	1997 - 1999
<i>Manitoba Cultural Coalition</i>	Founding President	1993 - 1999
<i>Canadian Conference of the Arts</i>	Vice President	1999 - 2000
	Board member	1994 - 2000

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<i>Artspace</i>	President	1988 - 1990
<i>Community Coalition on Mental Health</i>	Executive Committee	1985 - 1988
<i>Child &amp; Family Services of Central Winnipeg</i>	Planning and Review Committee	1985 - 1987
<i>Committee to Establish a Child Ombudsman</i>		1983 - 1984

## PRESENTATIONS & PUBLICATIONS

“Winnipeg: An Urban Myth?” address to:

- *University of Manitoba Faculty of Architecture Mid-City Conference* 1998
- Re-presented a number of times, including a presentation in 2006 sponsored by the *Manitoba Professional Planners Institute* with the support of the Department of City Planning, University of Manitoba.
- Published in *Dead on Arrival*, a journal of the *University of Manitoba Faculty of Architecture* 2009

“Manitoba Municipal Biomass Prefeasibility Study”

- *University of Manitoba Faculty of Environment, Earth, and Resources* 2025
- *Manitoba Sustainable Energy Association (ManSEA) Conference* Mar 2024

“First Nations Lead the Way to Clean, Renewable Local Energy”

- *University of Manitoba Faculty of Environment, Earth, and Resources* 2025
- *ManSEA Annual Conference* Mar 2023

“Northlands Dēnesųliné: A First Nation Leading Alternative Energy Transformation”

various versions presented to:

- *Sustainable Building Manitoba* Apr 2024
- *ManSEA Conference* Mar 2024
- *World Urban Pavilion*
  - *Building Local Capacities for Community Success* Jun 2023
- *University of Manitoba Faculty of Manitoba* Apr 2021
- *Engineers Geoscientists Manitoba*
  - *Ingenium* Oct 2019
- *Association of Manitoba Chiefs* Jun 2019
- *Manitoba Environmental Industries Association*
  - *Emerging Issues Conference* Nov 2018
- *Western Canada Cleantech Conference* Nov 2017
- *UMEARTH Annual Speakers Series* Nov 2017
- *Project Management Institute Manitoba Chapter* Oct 2017
- *Sustainable Building Manitoba* Sep 2017
- *NextUp Manitoba* Apr 2017
- *ManSEA (Manitoba Sustainable Energy Association) conference* Mar 2017

“The Relationships Between First Nations and Businesses in Manitoba”

- *Prov(f)talks: The Providence Public Scholarship Series* Mar 2017

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- “Renewable Energy and Climate Change: What Then Shall We Do?”
- *First Unitarian Universalist Church of Winnipeg* Feb 2017
- “A Vision for Renewable Energy in Manitoba” keynote address presented to:
- *South Eastman Transition Initiative Annual Conference* Apr 2016
- “Having Dominion: A Christian Approach to the Environment”
- *Prov(f)talks: The Providence Public Scholarship Series* Nov 2014
- “In Regard to the Manitoba Hydro Needs For And Alternatives To (‘NFAT’) Business Case Submission” presented to:
- *Manitoba Public Utilities Board* Feb 2014
- “The Biomass Initiative at Providence” presented to:
- *The Government of Manitoba's 6th Annual Biomass Workshop & Tour* Apr 2013
- “Globalization: Truth & Consequences” presented as part of:
- *Manitoba Professional Planner's Institute and the University of Manitoba - Faculty of Architecture - Department of City Planning's "Taking the Pulse of Planning Practice 2013"* Apr 2013
- “What's A Christian to Think: Toward a Christian view of market globalization”
- *The Providence Public Lecture Series* Mar 2013
- “Environmental Initiatives at Providence University College & Seminary” presented to the *Canadian CED (Community Economic Development) Network's Manitoba 2013 Planning Conference*  
February 2013
- “Building a Better Providence” presented at the *Canada Green Building Council's Better Buildings Conference* (Winnipeg)  
April 2012
- “Alternative Energies” presented to the *Manitoba Environmental Youth Network* conference  
November 2011
- “Skeletons in the Closet: Winnipeg's Holy Trinity Church & the First Riel Rebellion” presented with Leigh Taylor as part of *Parish Day*  
October 2011
- “The Role of Faiths in Our Society (And How You Can Shape it)” presented as workshop to the *Canadian Muslim Leadership Institute*  
June 2011
- “Business Ethics?” published in *Providence University College & Seminary's Eye Witness*  
Spring 2009
- “Addressing Payday Lending Questions from a Business Ethics Perspective” presented to the *Manitoba Public Utilities Board*  
December 2007

*CBC radio*

Host of *The Arts Straight Up*

Commentator on *Morningside*, *Tapestry*, *Commentary*, *The Arts File*, and *The Arts Tonight*

*Winnipeg Free Press*

Op-ed piece on urban development & Unicity Mall

Op-ed piece on development of Waverly West subdivision & core area development

*Border Crossings*

Articles & reviews on new music, television & film

*Tart Magazine*

Articles on culture & politics

**FILM**

*The Republic of Love* feature 2004

Executive Producer

Invited, Toronto Festival of Festivals

Released theatrically in Canada.

*Smoked Lizard Lips* feature 1991

Co-producer, director, writer, editor.

Nominated, Manitoba Blizzard Awards, Best Supporting Actor.

Invited, Beaubourg 1993: Les Cinémas du Québec et du Canada.

Released theatrically in Canada.

*Mike* ½ hour 1989

Executive producer, director, writer, editor.

Winner, Golden Sheaf Awards, 1989 Yorkton Short Film & Video Festival:

Best Short Drama

Best Performance (Kyle McCulloch).

Winner, Golden Apple, United States Educational Film Festival.

Nominated, Genie Awards, Best Short Drama.

Nominated, Blue Ribbon, American Film and Video Festival.

Nominated, Manitoba Blizzard Awards, Best Short Drama.

Invited, Toronto Festival of Festivals, Vancouver International Film Festival,

American Film and Video Festival (California), Local Heros Film Festival

(Edmonton), and United States Film and Video Festival (San Francisco).

Director / Producer of 5 short experimental films

*He That Hath A Bountiful Eye* 1989

*Pornography Begins In The Home* 1986

*Separate Bees* 1986

*Bite* 1986

Nominated, Manitoba Blizzard Awards, Best Experimental Film.

*Routines* 1985

## MUSIC RECORDING

<i>Jazz for Christmas 2</i> Producer	The Bob Watts Trio	2014
<i>Jazz for Christmas</i> Co-producer	The Bob Watts Trio	2010

## POETRY

Poetry performed at:

*Canadian Haiku Festival, Aylmer, Quebec*  
*<site> gallery*  
*Cardigan/Milne Gallery*  
*Medea Gallery*  
*Royal Albert Arms*  
*Winnipeg Centennial Library*  
*University of Winnipeg*  
*Mary Scorer Books*  
*Lithium Cafe*  
*Blue Note Cafe*  
*Norwood Hotel*

Poetry published in various literary journals, including:

*Quarry*  
*Harvest*  
*Repository Press*  
*Modern Haiku*  
*Germination*  
*Rune*  
*Origins*  
*Alpha*  
*Pierian Spring*  
*Antigonish Review*  
*Industrial Sabotage*  
*Event*  
*Northern Light*  
*Capilano Review*  
*Fiddlehead*  
*Alchemist*  
*Poetry Toronto*  
*Atlantis*  
*Mondo Hunkamooga*  
*Wind Chimes*  
*CURVD H&Z*  
*Eutopic Furnace*  
*Exile*  
*Mid-Continental*