

## **Rob Hosken, RA, C.E.M., Principal, Building Performance Architecture**

Rob Hosken grew up in a passive solar home in Madison, Wisconsin. Designed by Rob's father, this house often had an indoor temperature of 75 degrees on frigid sunny winter days, with no heaters turned on. After Rob discovered his interest in architecture, this life experience and a concern for humankind's long-term future led him to learn as much as he could about energy efficiency and green building.

Moving to Pittsburgh after finishing architecture school, Rob found a place in the city's nascent green building community. In addition to becoming a registered architect, Rob became a board member of the West Penn Power Sustainable Energy Fund, a \$25 million nonprofit foundation dedicated to funding clean energy and energy efficiency. Through WPPSEF, Rob discovered the field of building energy diagnostics. He began doing home energy audits, and has since expanded Building Performance Architecture's capabilities into multifamily, commercial, and institutional energy audits, energy modeling, architectural services for building energy efficiency projects, and energy rating for new construction. BPA had the first Passive House Rater in the Pittsburgh region, has provided rating services for the first Passive House certified apartment building in the U.S., and has conducted some of Pittsburgh's largest-ever building envelope air leakage tests, at landmark institutional buildings. Rob enjoys working with building owners and teams of building professionals, to deliver lasting quality and energy efficiency in buildings. Rob is also actively involved in community and family life.

Rob received his Bachelor of Arts degree from Oberlin College, and received his Master of Architecture degree from University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee. Rob is a Registered Architect, a HERS Rater, a Multifamily Building Analyst Professional, a Level I Infrared Thermographer, a Certified Energy Manager, and a Passive House Rater.