

# LouAnn Fornataro, FCSI

*“For your vigorous service to the New Hampshire Chapter, Northeast Region, and the Institute in developing an award-winning chapter newsletter; for chairing the Institute Awards Committee and leading the complete reorganization and expansion of the Institute Honors and Awards Guide; and for your unselfish dedication and willingness to promote CSI principles, you are advanced to Fellowship in the Institute on the 22nd day of April 2005.”  
Chicago, Illinois*



LouAnn Fornataro is a Registered Architect in Connecticut and New Hampshire. Since 1991, she has practiced as a principal, and now leads her ideal team size of six people. Early career experience with large commercial projects in Southern Connecticut trained her to identify her strengths and establish her career focus. Since 1988, she has lived and worked in Southern New Hampshire. She now specializes in addition and renovation projects - public, private, residential, and non-residential - and new commercial and public buildings, \$10K-\$3M construction cost. This project size allows her to give each project her personal attention, and the diversity keeps her interested in the practice of architecture.

Ms. Fornataro “hits the ground running” and greets challenges with a smile. She is goal-oriented and task-focused. Her first involvement in CSI was as Housatonic Chapter newsletter editor; the success of that effort was recognized when she won the Northeast Region Newsletter Award. Many years later, she again won this award as editor of the New Hampshire Chapter newsletter. In addition to her Region Specifications Merit Award, she has earned several Chapter and Northeast Region awards for her service to CSI.

Continuously seeking knowledge, Ms. Fornataro regularly attends CSI technical programs, conferences and Conventions. She trains her technical and administrative staff in CSI format and to maintain their in-house database for researching product information. She is active in her local and professional communities, and consults to other professionals on code compliance, specifications writing, and contract administration. She frequently speaks and writes articles related to the construction industry, architecture, and CSI. Her pet project is a dictionary of construction slang.

Ms. Fornataro maintains offices and lives in Nashua, New Hampshire. She doesn't own a TV, preferring listening to music and reading in her rare spare time. Her personal interests include scuba diving, ballroom dancing, Latin dancing and foreign travel. She is particularly enamored of the Latin American countries and is conversationally fluent in Spanish. Her lifetime goals are get a J.D. and combine law with architecture, to visit and experience most of the world, to fill her heart with the essence of many more good people, and to spend the winter months in the Caribbean.

## **CSI Membership**

Member, New Hampshire Chapter, 1988-Present  
IMember, HousatonicChapter, 1985-1988

## **Institute Offices, Committees**

CSI-U Speaker  
Awards Committee  
Awards Committee Chair

## **Region Offices, Committees**

Special Publications Task Team Chair  
Fund-raising Ad-hoc Committee  
Specifications Competition Committee  
Conference Co-host  
Awards Chair  
Region Director

## **Chapter Offices, Committees**

### **Housatonic Chapter**

Director, Editor  
Publicity Chair.

### **New Hampshire Chapter**

Director  
Programs Chair  
Editor  
Student Mentor  
Awards Chair  
Vice President  
President

## **Awards**

Northeast Region Distinguished Service Medal