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Kevin Shanley is the President of the SWA Group and a design and planning principal of the Houston office, a firm that practices planning, landscape architecture and urban design with five offices between Texas and California. He has been with the firm since 1973 and has been in the Houston office since 1979. His practice is regional and international.

Kevin studied philosophy at the University of Santa Clara and subsequently studied urban design and landscape architecture at the Harvard University Graduate School of Design.

In his work with the SWA Group, Kevin has been involved in planning and urban design projects in Houston, in other metropolitan areas of this country, and in many large scale overseas projects from the middle east to the far east.

Kevin has always been fascinated by water and it has been in Houston that he has focused on regional water issues, particularly the effect of urbanization on storm water runoff and its effect on our region's streams and bayous.

Now serving as Chairman of the Board of the Bayou Preservation Association, he has for over ten years, been advocating for change in how we understand our streams and watersheds, for change in how we impact our streams and bayous when we build and improve our drainage systems, and for change in the public policies that ultimately shape our urban environments.

He serves on numerous other community boards and organizations.

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