

Elizabeth Luc Clowes, MLA'19, Cert'14 Landscape Designer and Owner | Luc Clowes Landscape Design

Elizabeth Luc Clowes designs resilient landscapes displaying her commitment to nature-based solutions, use of native plants, and collaboration within diverse communities.

Elizabeth began her design career by transferring her corporate project management experience to providing leadership at a sustainable agriculture non-profit. She experienced the joy of gathering diverse communities together through land stewardship, while witnessing the challenges of environmental justice, and the critical need to build climate resilience.

To create spaces that address those critical needs, Elizabeth received a certificate in landscape design at the BAC. She went on to work part-time as a garden installer and a project manager, learning the mechanics of landscape design and construction. Elizabeth launched her own design firm where she was able to combine her skills to create dynamic spaces at residential and educational sites. However, with a focus on addressing climate mitigation, she sought ways to engage by joining her local conservation commission, chaired open space efforts, and learned about forest ecology. Elizabeth receive her Master of Landscape Architecture at the BAC in order to formalize her work, and increase her impact.

Her most recent projects in Dorchester include: a micro healing forest that is managed by the Codman Academy Charter School, and site planning at an affordable housing development. The micro forest is a teacher's dream of a site for forest bathing. Elizabeth brought it to life through a curated plant palette and inspiration from Asian garden design. What was once a barren brownfield parcel is now a peaceful, forest gem for a school and community. In the ongoing work at an affordable housing development, she is bringing site design experience and assisting with the expansion of the neighborhood tree canopy.

She holds a Master of Landscape Architecture from the BAC, Certificate in Landscape Design from the BAC and an MBA from Babson College. Elizabeth currently serves on the boards of Boston Society of Landscape Architects and Speak for the Trees Boston.