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*Solar Hot Water Site
Assessment and System
Design, Project
Implementation, Collector
and Related Parts
Sourcing, Commercial and
Light Industrial Solar
Thermal Projects*

Education

B.S. in General Studies,
Western Washington
University |1999

Profile

Jeff Kraus has been involved in the solar thermal industry for over four years running an independent solar collector and parts distribution business as well as involvement in design and installation projects. Mr. Kraus has experience in importing goods directly from manufacturers in China and Europe, where there is a significant capacity for producing good quality, low cost solar thermal collectors, having the greatest energy return among various solar technologies. Mr. Kraus also established the Oasis Community in Bellingham, WA which is known as one of the better working examples of an urban community in NW Washington using permaculture principles.

Experience

Installations

Bellingham Co-Housing Community Bellingham, WA |2008

Designed and installed Solar Hot Water System for Community House. Installation consisted of 72 evacuated tube manifolds, and a 160 gal epdm storage tank incorporated as a drain-back system.

Oasis Community Bellingham, WA |2007|**Expansion** |2008

Initial system consisted of 40 tube batch collectors. Expanded to add additional 150 tube manifold collectors as drain-back system.

Hurricane Katrina Relief Effort New Orleans |2006

Installed solar hot water system for large emergency kitchen during Hurricane Katrina relief effort.

Mallard Ice Cream Bellingham, WA |2006

Installed 90 tube manifold collector as an open loop system.

Barter Faire |2006

Installed Volunteer Solar Shower using both batch collectors and manifold collectors incorporated into a passive gravity system.

Business Development

Aquatic Body Work Center Sedro Woolley, WA |2008

Establishing an aquatic body work, Watsu and Healing Dance, center. The 96 degree pool water will primarily be heated with solar hot water.

Naked Hot Water Systems Bellingham, WA |2005-present

Distribute evacuated tube solar hot water collectors and other components related to solar hot water installations. Provide design consultation and project management for solar hot water projects.

Oasis Community Bellingham, WA |2001-present

Establish intentional community which found unique ways for people to live together cooperatively.

Naked Clothing Inc. Bellingham, WA |1994- present

Manufacture hemp and organic cotton T-shirts and provide screen-printing services.