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David Gibson is cofounder and managing principal of Two Twelve. His dedication to delivering thoughtful, user-centered design established the firm’s reputation as the first advocate of “public information design,” the planning and presentation of complex information to diverse audiences.

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