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Professional Experience

Intern Architect – October 1991 thru December 2000

Architect – January 2000

Associate - 2003

Project Leader - 2010 to present

Associate Principal - 2010 to present

KAHLER SLATER, INCORPORATED - Milwaukee, WI

Over 20 years experience in the architectural field. Project history includes business/corporate, higher education and primarily healthcare. Expertise includes interior architectural design, space planning, code analysis, product research, CAD/Revit drafting, technical detailing, construction document coordination, specification review and coordination, quality control review of construction drawings, permit coordination, coordination with building/code officials for project approval, construction on-site administration, shop drawing review and project close out.

Management experience includes design team project management, assignment of tasks, fee proposal preparation, consultant contract and invoice review/approval, lead client user group meetings, schedule and lead consultant coordination meetings, track and maintain project schedule, deliverables, fees and meeting of client contractual expectations thru project completion. Current clients include local and out-of state clients.

Recent building rehabilitation project includes the Global Water Center which occupies the building formerly known as the Molitor Box Company in the Florida and 3rd Industrial Historic District. Responsibilities included research and submittal to the National Park Service for Historic Preservation Certification in addition to preparation of construction documents and specifications in compliance with historic guidelines.

Intern Architect - December 1990 thru May 1991

KEVIN CONNOLLY ARCHITECTS, Milwaukee, WI

Responsible for CAD drafting and development of CAD office standards.

Education

Bachelor of Science in Architectural Studies - December 1989

UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN-MILWAUKEE, Milwaukee, Wisconsin

University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee Study Abroad Program –

MEXICO - June 1997

St. Croix Central High School, U.S. Virgin Islands, 1984 graduate

Credentials

Center for Health Design EDAC (Evidence-based Design Accreditation and Certification) 2009 - present
LEED (Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design) Accredited Professional 2008 - present
Wisconsin, USA Licensed Architect January 2000 - present

Skills

Revit, AutoCAD, Microsoft Office, Microsoft Excel, Microsoft PowerPoint, Adobe Acrobat
Newforma (Information Management software) Team Coordination, Project Management
and Implementation

Publications

- Featured in the magazine, Black Women 50+ Applause section July/August 2009
- Featured in a documentary entitled, "133 and Rising" which celebrates licensed African American female architects practicing in the United States, 2002

Activities

Professional Volunteer

- NOMA (National Organization of Minority Architects) 2010 Collaboration on the efforts to develop a Milwaukee Charter Branch
- UW-Milwaukee School of Architecture and Urban Planning – March 2009 - Presentation to the NOMA (National Organization of Minority Architects) Student Chapter
- UW-Milwaukee SARUP (School of Architecture and Urban Planning) MentArch program - 2007 thru 2009 – Provided mentoring for college students pursuing an architectural degree.
- Career Day Presentations (ongoing) at various elementary, middle and high schools in addition to women seeking to go into "non-traditional" career fields.

Community Volunteer

- Care/Gift Packages, December 2011 and 2012, Co-led and participated in a collaborative effort to prepare 100+ gift bags which included hygiene and toiletry products to donate to shelters in the Milwaukee area.
- Hats for the Homeless, December 2011, Co-led and participated in a collaborative effort to make 100+ sets of hats/scarves to donate to shelters for the homeless in the Milwaukee area.
- Woodlands School Renovation, January thru August 2009 - Interior renovation of an existing K-8 school to create new classrooms and support spaces for the students and staff.
- Meta House, November 2007 – Assisted with the interior renovation of a nonprofit organization that helps women through drug, alcohol, & abuse recovery.
- UPAF (United Performing Arts Fund), 1994 thru 2003 Kahler Slater Campaign Fund Raiser Coordinator
- Habitat For Humanity, 1994 thru 2000 - Kahler Slater Work Team Coordinator

Personal

- Co-Sponsor/Teacher for Community Arts Workshops, St. Croix, Virgin Islands; July 2012
- Costume designer, 2006 – present, Theatre Gigante
- Sewing/craft classes teacher, 2000 – present
- Costume designer, 1990 thru 2005 -- Designed and fabricated costumes for professional dance companies and dance schools in Milwaukee, WI. Companies included City Ballet Theatre, University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee Dance Department, Ko-thi African Dance Company, Milwaukee Ballet, Danceworks, Milwaukee High School of the Arts, and Milwaukee Dance Connection. Costumes have been featured both regionally and internationally.
- City Ballet Theatre, Member 1990 - 2000