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OBJECTIVE

To gain comprehensive hands-on experience with a quality-oriented architectural firm that nurtures creativity, designs with a community consciousness, attends to the fine details of building users' experience, and blends poetry and function to give its structures vitality and soul.

OVERVIEW

- ◇ Earned a Bachelors Degree in Architecture and Urban Design at the University of Wisconsin–Milwaukee.
- ◇ Engaged in studies with emphasis on hands-on projects and simulations.
- ◇ Actively sought and found related employment such as work at a mapping reference service and as a teaching assistant.
- ◇ Benefited from additional learning experiences by taking on and completing varied freelance projects.
- ◇ Through all experiences, acquired presentation capabilities that include:
 - Use of PhotoShop 5.0, AutoCAD 2000, and PowerPoint 2000
 - Sculpting and model building
 - Fluent use of Spanish and English

EDUCATION

Bachelor of Science, Architecture & Urban Planning, *UW–Milwaukee;* December 2000

GPA: 3.47 / 4.00

HONORS: √ Placed first in the Foamcore Design competition (July 1998)

√ Graduated Cum Laude

Interamerican University,

San German, Puerto Rico; 1995 - 1998

COMMENT: Found career focus on architecture as a result of work in various fine arts media.

SCHOOL-RELATED DESIGN PROJECTS

- Contributed to a Mexico Design Studio group project that required advance and on-location research, community needs assessment, creative problem solving, and conceptual design work. Developed the idea of a "livable stadium" which would provide for multi-purpose land use in an area of very dense population. Residences would comprise much of the stadium structure, and the playing field, when not in use, would provide a multi-use common area for the neighborhood.
- At a Chicago Interior Design Studio, was given the challenge of designing a structure that would stimulate those within to be creative in forwarding the identity and mission of its corporate owner. Formulated and constructed a model to represent a tree house concept that would put the company's employees in touch with their "creative child." The design used expanses of glass and vegetation organized around a central core to support the desired ambiance.
- At the same seminar, worked in a role-play group that conceived of a structure patterned after a turtle shell to express a corporate image of slow but unbroken forward progress.
- For a furniture design class, designed, constructed, and am currently using an ergonomically planned kitchen island featuring a cutting block with an easily washed, removable service and a cedar-lined, odor-reducing trash cabinet.
- Designed and fabricated a decorative lamp with a firefly motif that, like the insect after which it was modeled, gave light that could be adjusted by moving a flexible carapace.

PAID FREELANCE PROJECTS

Dr. Paul Sandvick,

Milwaukee, Wisconsin; February 2001

Took precise measurements and drew an as-built, to-scale representation of his planned dental clinic as it would appear in the context of the neighborhood and topology of the intended site.

UW-Milwaukee Campus Design Solutions, Milwaukee, Wisconsin; September - December 2001
Produced as-built pencil-and-ink Mylar drawings at four east-, west-, north-, and south oriented elevations depicting approximately a two block area at the Oakland-Locust Street intersection near the UWM campus. They embodied two graduate architectural students' conceptualization of a plan for neighborhood improvement. A supermarket was shown with planned renovations in perspective with other buildings that were to also be refurbished.

Carlos Juan Ralat, Mayaguez, Puerto Rico; August 2000
Produced a color rendering of a developer's proposed three-level apartment building. Included human figures and automobiles to give the presentation a lifelike feel and an upscale cachet.

Virgilio Gil Zapata, Mayaguez, Puerto Rico; June - August 2000
Used AutoCAD to produce plumbing, electrical, and structural drawings for use by a builder of commercial restaurants. Work was used in bidding, contracting, project management, and presentations to prospective buyers.

Edgardo Delgado Bras, Attorney at Law, Mayaguez, Puerto Rico; June - August 2000
Designed a two-level outdoor gazebo on a bluff overlooking the ocean with a dual orientation to the sunset at both summer and winter solstices. Was required to minimize interference with surrounding vegetation and with the view from the main house. In addition, was asked to design a structure that would withstand earthquakes and hurricanes while having no deleterious effect on run-off and erosion.

José Munoz - Baez, Architect, Mayaguez, Puerto Rico; June - July 1999
Created two-point perspective, pencil-on-velum drawings of a two-story house planned for a undeveloped area within the city of Aguada.

José Munoz - Baez, Architect, Mayaguez, Puerto Rico; July 1998
Took approximately three weeks to build a highly detailed 4x4-ft. model for use in sales of condominium units before and during their construction.

ADDITIONAL RELEVANT EMPLOYMENT

Business Name, Remodeler Helper, Milwaukee, Wisconsin; May - August 2000
Assisted with projects such as finishing an attic and building decks.

Interamerican University, Teaching Assistant, San German, Puerto Rico; July 2000
Led groups in discussing and critiquing projects and graded students on their motivation, process, and quality of conceptual thinking at a summer architectural seminar. Called on students to bring to mind a personality suggested by a musical piece and then worked with predetermined elements to design a room that would harmonize with that unique personality.

COMMENT: Led similar groups during the previous summer with somewhat less responsibility for planning and evaluation.

UWM AGS/GIS, Computer Technician, Milwaukee, Wisconsin; September - December 1999
Upon client request, located and used ArtView to scan and plot aerial overlay maps that represented the city of Milwaukee at specific times and sectors.

References and work samples will be promptly submitted upon readers' request.