

Professional Summary

Versatile Architect accomplished at designing commercial, mixed-use and residential structures of varying scales. Experienced, dedicated designer specializing in historic preservation, (including sitting on Denver's Landmarks Preservation Commission for over a year), architectural interiors, and airport architecture. Advanced knowledge of the fine arts and art installation in multiple architectural settings; contracted with Bonhams Auctioneers for 20 months, consigning items to sell in their international sales showrooms.

Skills

- LEED Green Associate accreditation
- Strong verbal and written communication skills
- Accomplished in hand sketching
- Familiarity with project management and architectural software
- Customer service-oriented
- Strong analytical ability
- Excellent attention to detail
- Adept at complex problem solving

Work History

Principal Architect

02/2016 to Current

Vigil Studio Architects – Denver, CO

- Re-established Vigil Studio Architects upon return from the Middle East, and the first project was the successful design and city approval for renovation of a historic 1880's residence in one of the oldest neighborhoods in Denver.
- Successfully completed the re-design and managed the construction of a residence in Denver consisting of a new kitchen, family room, living room, and entry that will be photographed and marketed to design trade magazines. A similar renovation completed at the same time in the Thraemoor development in Lakewood, CO.
- Awarded the contract for the half-floor fit-out of a 2,800 penthouse apartment, core and shell, in a luxury tower at 25 Downing Street in Denver, CO.
- Managed the custom replication and manufacture of exterior architectural features for a large 1911 mansion in a historic district in Denver. Conformed to the Secretary of the Interior's Standards for the Treatment of Historic Properties.
- Accepted into Sotheby's Institute of Art in London for summer study. Returned to Denver after studying the business side of the art world, started a subsidiary company cataloguing various private art collections for estate/insurance and resale purposes. www.vigilfinearts.com

Construction Manager/Resident Engineer

06/2015 to 01/2016

Parsons International & Company LLC – Muscat, Oman

- Played key role in supervising the construction of the residential component of Al Mouj Muscat, a mixed-use 1+ billion USD development that resulted in on-time deliveries of 120 apartment units. When completed Al Mouj will consist of 4,000 residential units consisting of villas, townhomes and apartments.
- Verified that construction detail documentation conformed to quality assurance and best practice standards. Managed a staff of 20+, who's duty was to monitor the quality of work on site.
- Documented defect works from previous contractors, proposed solutions to these defects and reported these recommendations successfully to clients and vendors in a lessons learned format presentation.

Project Manager/Lead Architect

09/2013 to 06/2015

Parsons Transportation Group LLC – Doha, Qatar

- Performed project management and provided guidance to the design architects and contractor to achieve on-time delivery of 18 premium lounges at Hamad International Airport.
- Played key role in coordinating the delivery and installation of all FF&E items in the lounges and on-site hotel, and delivery and installation of world-class artwork in the lounges. The efficient use of facilities and personnel resulted in time and cost savings, and earned high praise and strong referrals from the client, design architects, and contractor.
- Resolved complex technical design issues that contributed to the successful and on-time completion of the lounges.
- Interfaced with design team members, including contractors, consultants, fabricators, architects and regulatory agencies on a regular basis that also contributed to the on-time completion of the lounges.

Principal Architect

04/2011 to 09/2013

Lance Vigil Architect – Denver, CO

- Performed architectural design services and provided design solutions to achieve success in the niche market of small architecture firms.
- Played key role in designing luxury residential interiors including kitchens and baths, and condos and villas that resulted in numerous referrals that created a thriving business. Specific projects included the complete renovation of a luxury condominium in Puerto Vallarta, Mexico, the complete remodel of a loft condominium in a historic building in Denver, and the remodel of a 200 year-old farmhouse in Bordeaux, France.
- Obtained LEED accreditation and Estidama (LEED in Abu Dhabi) accreditation during this timeframe.

Project Director

11/2008 to 04/2011

DUBARCH – Dubai, United Arab Emirates

- Appointed as Project Director for a new 5-star luxury hotel and spa, Qasr al Sarab, Abu Dhabi. Managed the entire building turnover process, which included enhancing communication between all construction management parties.
- Guided and directed third-party inspectors through project construction, commissioning and closeout. Met construction deadlines by efficiently following through with all site inspections in a timely manner. Supervised on-site staff of 12 who were key in this role.
- Verified that construction detail documentation conformed to quality assurance and best practice standards. Used on-site field staff to confirm and report findings.
- Created efficient and innovative approaches to solving problems and successfully resolved them with project managers. Most successful solutions were a result of a timely response and transparency in approach.

Senior Urban Design Planner

07/2005 to 05/2008

RNL – Denver, CO

- Traveled to the UAE at least once a month from Denver, consulted with clients in Dubai and Abu Dhabi in design workshops to determine urban design schemes to meet overall design goals. Resolved complex design issues in these workshops, then returned to Denver and interfaced with the Denver-based design team members, including consultants, landscape architects, and regulatory agencies to refine winning schemes. Originated and developed creative design concepts.
- Co-authored design guidelines including plot layout, building setbacks and the establishment of open spaces for the new community Reem Island for Shams Abu Dhabi. Generated construction documents and details to implement design concepts approved of by the client.

Architect

06/2004 to 07/2005

Oz Architecture – Denver, CO

Principal Architect

05/2002 to 06/2004

Vigil Studio Architects – Denver, CO

Project Architect

03/1994 to 05/2002

Cowperthwaite Architecture – Denver, CO

Architect/Urban Designer

03/1991 to 03/1994

RNL – Denver, CO

Education

Master of Architecture: Architecture
Syracuse University - Syracuse, NY

1990

Bachelor of Arts: Economics
Colgate University - Hamilton, NY

1985

Junior Year Abroad: Architecture

1984

Institute for Architecture and Urban Studies - New York, NY

Accomplishments

- Generated the Coors Field Ballpark urban design analysis that influenced the design of Coors Field. Denver, CO.
- Co-authored the Central City Design Guidelines for historic preservation. Central City, CO.
- Co-authored the Castle Rock Design Guidelines for historic preservation. Castle Rock, CO.
- Generated the drawings that served as the basis for the restoration of the historic Elitch Theatre. Denver, CO.
- Generated the construction documents and managed construction of the Evolution of the Ball sculpture at Coors Field Wynkoop Plaza. Denver, CO.
- Generated the drawings for the restoration of the historic facade on the 5th Avenue elevation of the Henri Bendel flagship store. Developed the design of the retail spaces within the store itself, specifically the grand staircase. New York, NY.
- Conducted punch list inspections during the restoration of the Ellis Island Immigration Museum. Ellis Island, NY.
- Generated drawings for the design of the Boettcher Concert Hall Pavilion. Denver, CO.
- Awarded the *Arthur A. & Florence Fisher Traveling Scholarship - AIA Colorado/Educational Fund*. The thesis was based on urban design similarities in Rio de Janeiro and Buenos Aires. Traveled to those cities for two weeks to document findings.

Affiliations

- Commissioner, Denver Landmarks Preservation Commission, 2012-2013
- Estidama Pearl Qualified Professional, Abu Dhabi, August 2011
- LEED Green Associate, July 2011
- American Institute of Architects, Member since January 1997
- Registered Architect, State of Colorado, October 1993

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