

# *Middle East* PORTFOLIO

Architecture, Master Planning and Interiors





# Who we are

DLR Group is a global architecture, interiors, engineering, and technology design firm with more than 1,600+ employee-owners in 33 Offices around the world.

DLR Group offers comprehensive services and specialized expertise.

Our team of designers has delivered many architectural design renovations and new build projects. We understand the complicated scopes and the aggressive schedules they need to have in order to be delivered and begin gaining the return on your investment. Every project has a strong vision and DLR Group can help you realize this.

Our team constantly seeks to bring high design ideas and concepts with a high level understanding of practical operational or durable solutions. We understand how important it is to have a project delivered on-time and under budget. Our team of designers has a vast portfolio of experience and an understanding for what needs to be done in order to provide ideal experience. Seamless coordination between all members of the team allows your project to be a priority and delivered on time without delay.



1600+  
Employee-  
Owners



1966  
Year  
Established



33  
Offices  
Worldwide







James P. Roubal

William L. Larson

Irving R. Dana

## *Founded in* **1966**

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As a multi-disciplinary firm with the shared ideals of quality, fairness, opportunity for growth, and ownership.

*Architects Irv Dana and Bill Larson, and engineer Jim Roubal, launched their eponymous firm on April 1, 1966 from a 12-by-12-foot space in a basement at 102nd and Wright in Omaha. The integrated practice was founded on their shared ideals of quality, fairness, opportunity for professional growth, and ownership. Those principles drive our core values today.*



The brands we partner with strategically drop into new locations to serve their markets and adapt to guest preferences. From New York to Los Angeles – and everywhere in between – DLR Group responds with a no boundaries model.

Our 33 studios across the globe provide local roots and familiarity with climate, market conditions, and jurisdictional regulations. From these hubs, we’ve delivered hospitality experiences in 38 states and counting.



# *Good Ideas Travel Well*

FROM OUR STUDIOS  
TO ANYWHERE.

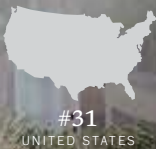




*We are designers and*  
**100% EMPLOYEE-OWNED**

*Our promise is  
to elevate the  
human experience  
through design.*

This inspires a culture of design thinking and fuels the work we do around the world. We are 100 percent employee-owned: every employee is literally invested in our clients' success. Our teams champion true collaboration, open information sharing, shared risk and reward, value-based decision making, and proficient use of technology to elevate design.





INTERGRATED

# *Market Sectors*

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Civic  
Culture+Performing Arts  
Federal  
Healthcare  
Higher Education  
**Hospitality & Residential**  
Justice  
K-12 Education  
**Mixed-Use**  
Sports  
Transportation  
Workplace







# Services of *Integrated Design*

Our teams champion true collaboration, open information-sharing, value-based decision-making, proficient use of technology from project outset to close out, and continuous monitoring to optimize a building's performance to further our practice of evidence-based design.

## *Services*

Our integrated design teams of multidisciplinary design professionals bring highly specialized expertise to every project.

## *01 Architecture*

Equal parts art and science, architecture contributes value to the culture, history, and societies we live in and has the power to reshape the world for an inclusive, sustainable future for our communities.

## *02 Interiors*

Interior design enhances brand, culture, and quality of life by leveraging industry and proprietary research to guide evidence-based design. This integrated approach to design enhances knowledge sharing and nurtures innovation.

## *03 Masterplanning*

An effective master plan – be it for an entire campus, energy, facilities, an open space, or the urban core – delivers place-making, resilience, and ultimately, return on investment for communities, institutions, and owners.

## *04 Landscape*

See projects, ideas, firm news, and awards that exemplify how landscape architecture contributes to our integrated design practice. The use technology, materials, and a site's natural characteristics to enhance the built environment and reconnect people to the natural world.

- » Architecture
- » Interiors
- » Landscape
- » Master Planning
- » Acoustical Design
- » Experiential Graphic Design
- » High Performance Design
- » Lighting Design
- » Preservation
- » Reality Capture
- » Science + Technology
- » Sustainability
- » Theater Design



# Sustainability

MEETING THE CLIMATE CHANGE

Today, more than ever, it is essential to deliver sustainable designs with effective client-focused outcomes that exponentially impact our people, our communities, and our planet. Imagine a world where considerations about the built environment include behavioural awareness, resource conservation, human health, community health, and even our ecological future.

## We Specialize In Guest Experiences

As a design firm, we live out our core value of environmental stewardship through building design and planning solutions. Thinking bigger and further in 2024 about sustainability starts with holding ourselves accountable. This is the reason we commit to work that aligns with goals of the industry including the Architecture 2030 Challenge, the China Accord the A&D Material Pledge, the SE2050 Challenge, and MEP 2040. More than just thoughts on paper, it's the way we do business as we help clients achieve their energy, environmental, and ESG goals. In addition, in 2023 we signed the Urban Land Institutes's Commitment to Health and Equity in the Built Environment.

Our sustainable designs in 2023 translated into water, energy, and environmental savings in these ways:



479,000

Homes Powered  
in One Year



846,000

Passenger Vehicles  
Removed from Roads



4,531,000

Acres of  
Forest

### RAISE THE BAR

*The average reduction target of predicted energy use for qualifying projects of the DLR Group design portfolio with performance data has consistently exceeded the national peer group average. In FY23, our integrated designs generated a 50 percent energy reduction\* compared to average buildings.*

\*GHG emissions are estimated using national average fuel ratio for energy use in buildings and EPA's Power Profiler Tool.



# *Our Firm in the Middle East*

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DLR Group is a global, integrated design firm with a strong presence in the Middle East through its office in Dubai. The Dubai office serves as the regional hub, enabling the firm to address the unique design challenges and opportunities within the Middle East.

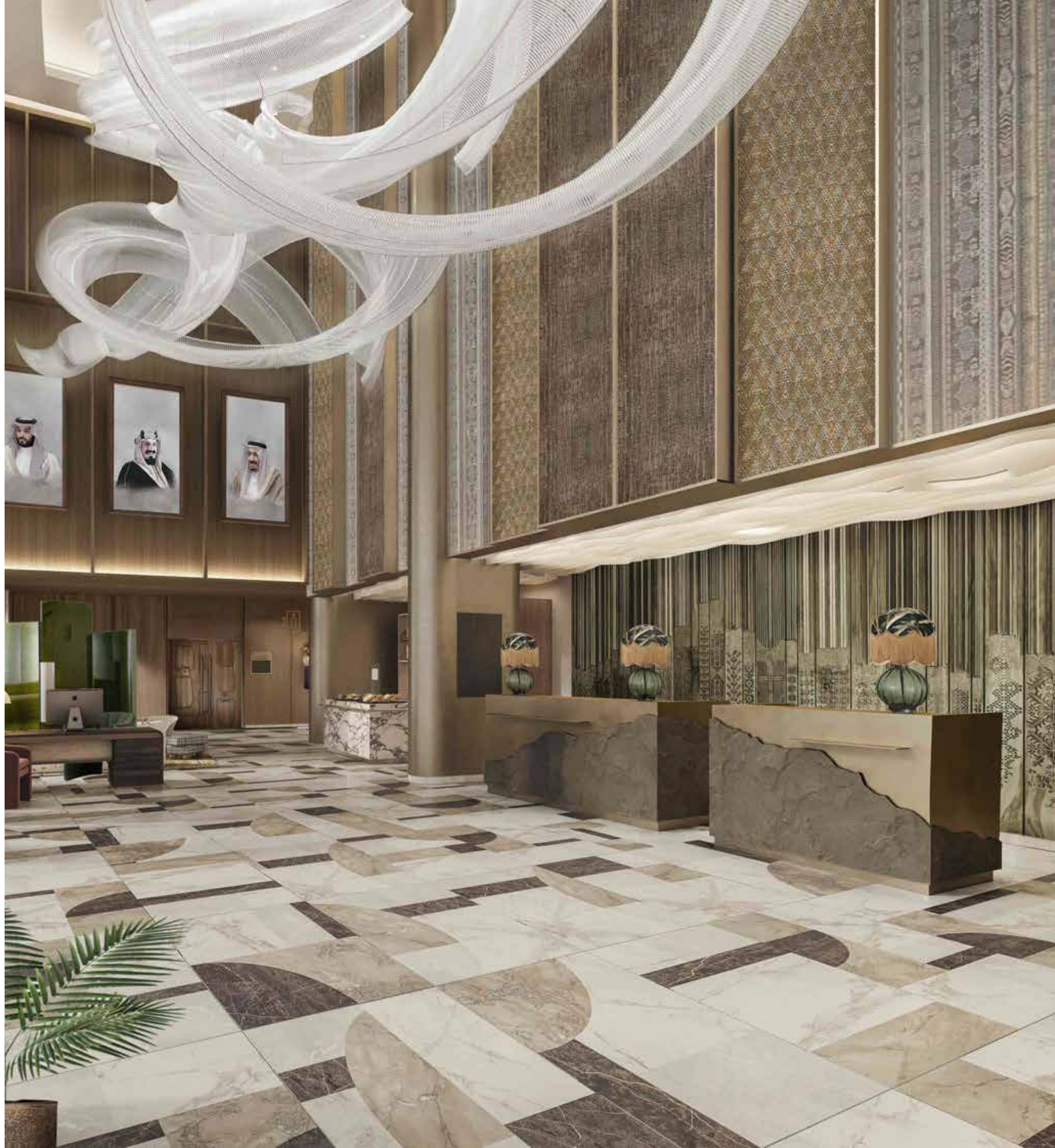
At the heart of DLR Group's operations in Dubai lies a dedication to providing innovative and sustainable solutions that respond to both cultural and environmental needs. The firm's services encompass architecture, interiors, and planning, all of which are tailored to meet the evolving needs of clients and communities in the region.

DLR Group's architectural team in Dubai focuses on creating iconic, functional, and sustainable spaces in alignment with the vision of their clients. The Interior design services prioritize the creation of environments focused on improving well-being and productivity, while considering the specific cultural and aesthetic preferences of the Middle East. The planning services offered by DLR Group address the urgent urban and regional planning needs of growing cities in the region.

DLR Group's Dubai office has been involved in a wide range of high-profile projects across various sectors, including commercial developments, cultural institutions, educational facilities, hospitality, and residential complexes. The firm uses technology and innovative design methodologies to create spaces, ensuring they are not only functional but also future-proof.

DLR Group integrates local traditions, values, and aesthetics into its designs, ensuring each project resonates with the community it serves and fosters a deeper connection between the built environment and its users.

While DLR Group operates on a global scale, the Dubai office embodies the firm's commitment to local expertise. The team of professionals at the Dubai office understands the regional market, regulations, and cultural nuances, allowing DLR Group to offer tailored solutions that are both globally informed and locally relevant.





## 10+ EMPLOYEES

DLR Group Middle East officially opened its Dubai office in Dubai Design District (d3) on September 7, 2016.

## New Leadership

December of 2017 is the beginning of the new leadership in DLR Group Middle East. With a wealth of valuable contacts and connections, **Jamal Salem** joined DLR Group as a Middle East Region Director. Jamal is responsible for design and client services throughout the Middle East, leading operations from the DLR Group Dubai office.

## 4+ EMPLOYEES

**Mark Giles**  
Middle East Region Director  
PRINCIPAL

### The beginning

It all started around 2013, when the firm got the opportunity to design the Mall of the Emirates Expansion project, thanks to Andrew Feola, the original designer of the mall. Mark Giles, who was already in Dubai connecting with a range of developers, clients, influential figures, and consultants in the region, was involved in the discussions. The client requested that DLR Group send a representative to Dubai to oversee the construction process. Edgar Bove volunteered, packed his bags, and headed to Dubai to take on the role.

## 10+ EMPLOYEES

As the leader of the technical design and development team, **Rupali**'s primary focus is to implement the company's core values. The main focal point being the delivery of high value design projects across all client requirements.

## 18+ EMPLOYEES

We think  
**GLOBAL**  
and be  
**LOCAL**

**Scott** assumed the role of Mixed-Use Director, tasked with overseeing design projects within the Dubai office. Scott brings a unique and tested project approach with strong leadership and effective communication skills to successfully realize projects.

### 2023

**Shawn Meyers**  
Middle East Masterplanning Director  
Associate

**Shawn** is an Urban Designer with a global perspective with a career spanning New York City, London and Dubai, and this allows him to evolve global bestpractice urbanism strategies to the middle east region. His focus is on urban residential projects and urban intensification strategies, investigating the evolution of living and working patterns across the next generation of cities.

**Bianca Van Der Merwe**  
Design Director - Interiors  
Associate

A creative Interior Designer with a strong background of delivering in the region. **Bianca**'s key strengths lie in project management, space planning and technical detailing. From pre-concept approval to FF&E design to final delivery, her expertise is measured not just in successful delivery, but client satisfaction as well.

**Danny Tang**  
Design Director - Architecture

**Danny** employs a unique design approach to global architectural projects, pioneering innovative methods and strategic visioning to enhance project value with mature, creative, and functional designs.

## 2024 80+ EMPLOYEES

### 2022

KEC Master Plan  
Madinah Gate, Madinah, KSA

Grand Millennium Lobby Refurbishment,  
Abu Dhabi, UAE

Khamis Mushait Mall,  
Khamis, KSA

Durrah Al Arous,  
Jeddah, KSA

The Point, Canopy Hotel,  
Abha, KSA

Hotel Indigo,  
Jeddah, KSA

Beijing Daxing Conceptual Idea,  
Beijing, China

Lavida Residences,  
Baghdad, Iraq

The Point, 4\* Hilton Serviced  
Apartments, Abha, KSA

Rua Al Madinah Superblock 5,  
Cluster 3, Madinah, KSA

### 2023

Thumamah Boutique Suites,  
Riyadh, KSA

Shawqiya Mecca, Mecca, KSA

Hyatt Regency, Madinah, KSA

Mulhaka Residences, Madinah, KSA

Abha Mall, Abha, KSA

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The Mukaab



*We have successfully delivered a substantial portfolio of mixed-use projects, creating a product that is only surpassed by the satisfaction of our clients and partners.*



*Partnerships  
Power Passion*

TRUST. RELIABILITY. CREATIVITY.





# *MENA Experience*

GLOBAL EXPERTISE ENRICHING  
LOCAL COMMUNITIES.

We are a global firm with local reach. DLR Group operates with a business structure and a culture of interoffice workload sharing. The people with whom you work are directly backed by the firm's entire resources, enabling us to immediately and effectively scale our teams to meet your needs. This local connection translates to design solutions that are particularly relevant to climate, culture, and market conditions.



# Cultural Landmark

KEC Master Plan  
Madinah, Kingdom of Saudi Arabia  
Knowledge Economic City

Status: Under Construction  
Size: 10 SQM Mi  
Project Value: Confidential  
Services: Masterplanning, Architecture, and  
Landscape



Knowledge Economic City is a major mixed-use development project in Al-Madinah in KSA; adjacent to the holy Uhud mountains and Masjid Al Nabawi, one of the two holiest mosques in Islam. KEC aims to build one of the major economic vibrant cities, promoted in the Kingdom under the directions of Economic Cities Authority (ECA). The KEC master plan will position Saudi Arabia and Saudi Arabian entrepreneurs as leaders in knowledge-based industries to attract a unique pool of talent around the world and create a potential for a healthy return on investment. Additionally, establish knowledge industries that work as a catalyst to create further commercial and recreational areas within the great interest that the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia can be in supporting growth.

Introducing new catalysts alongside with the existing assets to create places that attract, retail and sustain people within the KEC master plan. The revised master plan is more valuable when the existing and the new catalysts work together; to further assist in Saudi Arabia's drive toward economic diversity and job creation.

The Madinah Gate Project, one of the existing assets and the city's first transit-oriented development, is linked to Al Haramain Transit-Oriented Development train station. The project is forecasted to connect 10 million visitors a year by 2030, this mixed-use development will create a new urban center providing vital support services to pilgrims, tourists, and the local community visiting the Prophet Mosque in the city of Madinah.

## Awards / Recognition

**Winner - Master Plan of the Year**  
Architecture Leaders Awards 2024

**Finalist - Master Plan of the Year**  
Design Middle East Awards 2023



The KEC Hub, an additional existing catalyst, is estimated to become one of the top visitor designations in the world, is an exciting and dynamic urban district offering the largest and most diverse shopping dining, and entertainment venue as part of the wider master plan. The revised master plan is more valuable when the existing and the new catalysts work together; to further assist in Saudi Arabia's drive toward economic diversity and job creation.







## A VIBRANT SOCIETY

*An inspiring living experience with  
global quality of life standards*

*Liveability*

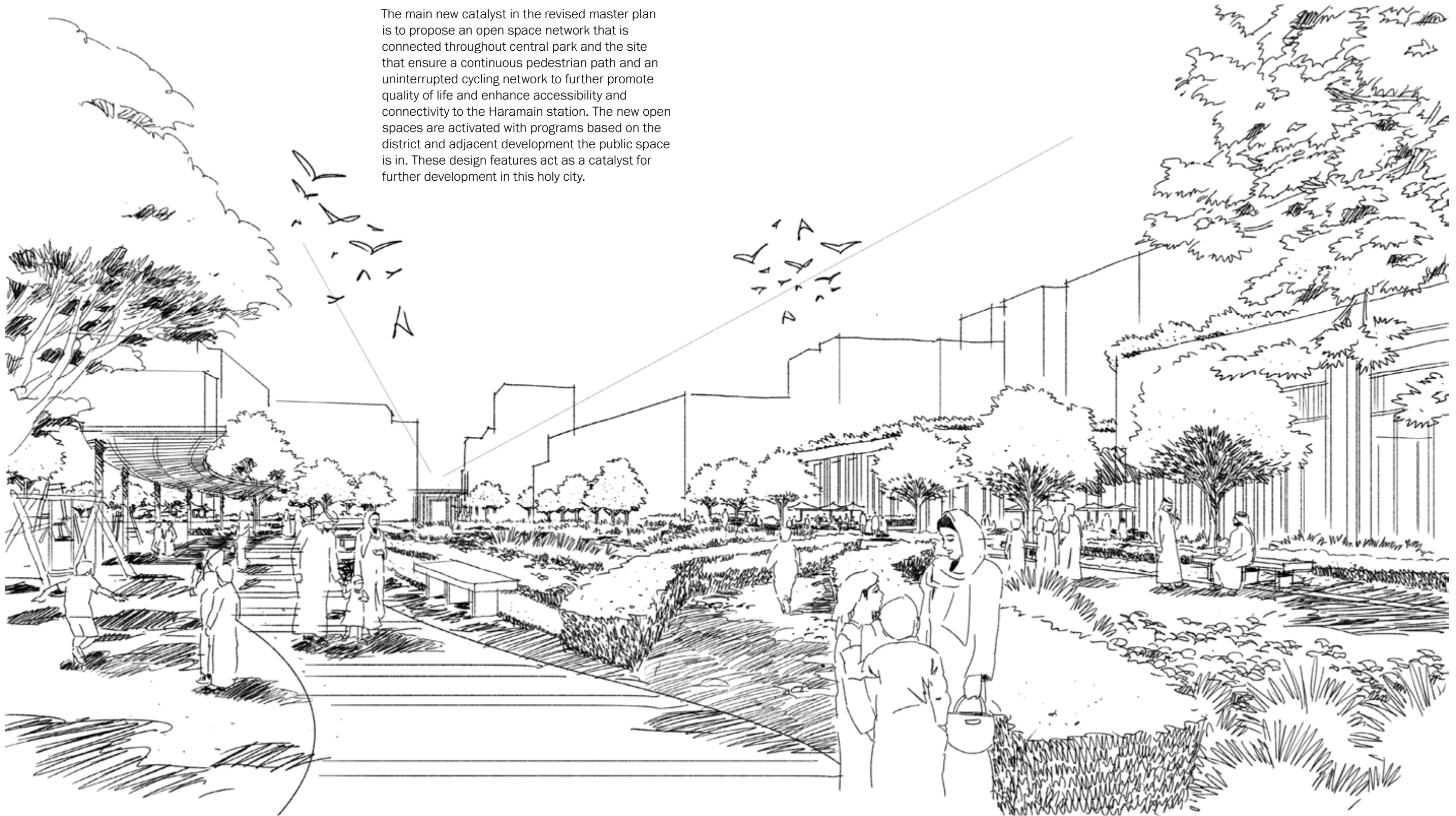




KEC embraces mixed land use principles that bring together residential, commercial, recreation and education elements in all neighbourhoods. This mixture provides residents more reasons to go out and explore.

Additionally, KEC aims to promote healthy environment all year around by providing connected open spaces, shaded pedestrian experience with cycling tracks and smart mobility delivering multiple mode of transports for users to reach their desired destination.

The main new catalyst in the revised master plan is to propose an open space network that is connected throughout central park and the site that ensure a continuous pedestrian path and an uninterrupted cycling network to further promote quality of life and enhance accessibility and connectivity to the Haramain station. The new open spaces are activated with programs based on the district and adjacent development the public space is in. These design features act as a catalyst for further development in this holy city.







Awards / Recognition

**Winner** - Master Plan of the Year  
Design Middle East Awards, 2021

Linking the wider community & Madinah Gate

Islamic World District (IWD), KEC Master Plan  
Madinah, Kingdom of Saudi Arabia  
Knowledge Economic City

Strategically located on the eastern side of the Knowledge Economic City in Medina and is parallel to the Haramain train station on the eastern side, thus forming the gateway to Madinah for the visitors coming through the international airport or the train station. The masterplan seeks to achieve urban and cultural goals consistent with the goals of vision 2030 of the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia and to continue developing Madinah as a destination for visitors, pilgrims, designing a place that attracts the residents providing hospitality services including hotel, visitors center, cultural and social plaza, retail, restaurants, medical clinics, green pedestrians paths, green plaza and children's play areas connecting various environmentally friendly transportation system.

*“A very significant project and is the first TOD project in Saudi Arabia, it is the gate for the holy city of Madinah with 10 million pilgrims anticipated to use the train station annually.”*

Status: Under Construction  
Size: 8,072,933 SF  
Budget: Confidential  
Type: Hospitality, Retail, and Residences  
Services: Architecture and Planning



IWD promotes an architectural style that is pedest friendly, contains visual variation and, with improve economics of higher density and higher quality bui materials. Meanwhile, luxury and high-quality ame are provided within the development realm that int build areas to the open spaces, fostering the sens community and activates the heart to create spac celebrate the local culture.

Moreover, the district highly contributes to the kno experience in KEC, which creates uses and activat public realm to tell the story of Madinah. IWD provi diversity on typologies offers, connectes landscap features and creates value to the programmed op spaces, activities, and pathways.







IWD delivers a variety of public open spaces contribute to a sense of place, healthy communities, and reduces the need for private open space for each household or workplace. Through studies of the sun's trajectory and conducting shadow, successful areas for shelter & green space can be created.

The district creates an authentic experience, landmarks, embedded in the local streetscape features and inspired by its unique setting. Focuses on the arrival experience to create a sense of 'address' for the place.



By Sector

See All Work

<https://www.dlrgroup.com/>



Civic

We focus on design that efficiently connects citizens to public services at the city, county, state, and federal levels, increasing their engagement with the government while improving the workplace experience for employees.



Cultural+Performing Arts

Our expertise extends to the following program types: theaters and performance venues of all kinds; museums and galleries; media and broadcast-related projects; and instructional and studio spaces for music, dance, drama, and the visual arts.



Federal

Delivering secure and resilient buildings for the well-being of individuals and agencies, today and tomorrow, at home and abroad.



Healthcare

See projects, ideas, and press that shows how our evidence-based design considers the emotional, mental, and social wellbeing of its inhabitants to root our practice in empathy.



Higher Education

We fully embrace our responsibility to society by designing spaces that emphasize academic learning and social development.



Hospitality

We use a collaborative approach to understand a local community and then curate a project vision that aligns client goals and the brand personality of a hotel within that local environment.



Justice

Our courts designs balance the dignified delivery of justice with the individual's perception and experience of the courthouse as a safe, welcoming, and accessible facility for society.



K-12 Education

We help districts across the country navigate this change to better serve educators and communities, and improve educational experiences and outcomes for students.



Mixed-Use

We bridge enterprise and community through transformative design that enlivens social hubs, curates distinctive stories, and creates cultural identity.



Sports

We design facilities to attract and retain top coaches, recruit and develop the best athletes, and create memorable experiences for modern-day fans.



Transportation

We design transit facilities to connect citizens to their cities, counties, and the world beyond, bringing users along for a pleasant ride.



Workplace

The power of design shapes environments that celebrate people at work: inspiring lifestyles of limitless thinking, growth, and wellbeing.



“

I believe DLR Group is the best integrated design firm in the world, and I am honored to lead our employee-owned firm as CEO.”

—  
Steven McKay, RIBA  
*CEO, Managing Principal*

# Achievements

## a leading firm

Our promise is to elevate the human experience through design. This inspires a culture of design and fuels the work we do around the world. We are 100 percent employee -owned and aspire to be the most creative enterprise on the planet.

### Rankings

#9

Global Design Firm

BD World Architecture 100

#13

Architectural Record  
Top U.S. Firms

Architectural Record Top U.S. Firms

#7

Architecture/  
Engineering Firm

Building Design + Construction

#15

Interior Design Firm

Interior Design – Top 100 Giants

#20

Design Firm

Engineering News Record

#2

K-12 School  
Design Firm

Building Design + Construction

BD World Architecture 100 - #9 Global Design Firm; #1 Government Design Firm; #2 Cultural Design Firm; #2 Education Design Firm; #7 Hospitality Design Firm; #8 Office Design Firm; #4 Engineering Firm; #6 Interior Design Firm; #9 Architecture Firm, Architectural Record Top U.S. Firms - #13. Building Design + Construction - #7 Architecture/Engineering Firm; #2 K-12 School Design Firm; #2 Public Safety Design Firm; #2 Cultural Design Firm; #9 Higher Education Design Firm; #10 Workplace Interiors; #10 Reconstruction Design Firm; #12 Retail Design Firm; #13 Hospitality Design Firm; #13 Office Design Firm, Interior Design - Top 100 Giants - #15 Interior Design Firm, Engineering News Record - #20 Design Firm; #2 Cultural Design Firm; #3 Education Design Firm; #3 Justice Design Firm; #14 Hospitality Design Firm; #15 Mixed-Use Design Firm; #15 Workplace Design Firm



An award winning firm...

# Recent Awards & Recognitions

## Middle East Awards



## 2024

### CID Awards - Hospitality

**Finalist** - Canopy Central  
Best F&B Design Concept  
**Finalist** - Hilton The Point  
Best Hotel Design Concept  
**Finalist** - Hospitality Design Firm of the Year  
**Finalist** - Vaida Buchrotaite  
Hospitality Designer of the Year

### Architecture Leaders Awards

**Winner** - KEC Masterplan  
Masterplan of the Year  
**Highly Commended** – Commercial Project  
of the Year - Future City Sales Center  
**Finalist** - Architecture Firm of the Year  
**Finalist** - Hospitality Project Design (F&B)  
Canopy Central

### Design Middle East Awards - KSA

**Highly Commended** - Architecture Firm of  
the Year  
**Winner** - Henrique Dias  
Architect of the Year  
**Finalist** - Isolina Mahmoud  
Young Talent of the Year  
**Finalist** - Vaida Buchrotaite  
Interior Designer of the Year  
**Finalist** - Scott Pryde  
Architect of the Year  
**Finalist** - Interior Design Firm of the Year  
**Finalist** - The Point, Abha - Best Future  
Projects of the Year  
**Finalist** - Rashid Mall  
Best Future Project  
**Finalist** - Buruj Hotel  
Best Concept  
**Finalist** - Knowledge Economic City  
Master Plan of the Year

### International Property Awards

**Winner** - Lavida Residences  
Best International Residential High Rise  
Architecture

### CID Awards - Saudi

**Finalist** - Abha Hilton Services Apartments  
Best Interior Design Concept of the Year,  
Hospitality  
**Finalist** - Multaka Residences  
Best Interior Design Concept of the Year,  
Residential.  
**Winner** - Kinjal Porecha  
Unsung Hero of the Year  
**Finalist** - Shiam Shibl  
Young Interior Designer of the Year  
**Finalist** - Vaida Buchrotaite  
Interior Designer of the Year  
**Finalist** - Interior Design Firm of the Year

## 2023

### Design Middle East Awards

**Winner** - Boris Lam  
Project Manager of the Year  
**Winner** - Shiam Shibl  
Emerging Interior Designer of the Year  
**Finalist** - Vaida Buchrotaite  
Interior Designer of the Year  
**Finalist** - Rupali Pote  
Architect of the Year  
**Finalist** - Marco Gaudio  
Landscape Architect of the Year  
**Finalist** - Best Workplace of the Year  
**Finalist** - Architecture Firm of the Year  
**Finalist** - Interior Design Firm of the Year  
**Finalist** - The Point, Abha  
Best Future Projects of the Year  
**Finalist** - Lavida Development  
Best Future Projects of the Year  
**Finalist** - Knowledge Economic City Master  
Plan of the Year

### Identity Design Awards

**Finalist** - Buruj Hotel - Hotel  
**Finalist** - Shiam Shibl - Emerging Interior  
Designer of the Year  
**Finalist** - The Point Abha - Commercial

### International Property Awards - Arabia

**Winner** - Buruj Hotel  
Hotel Architecture Award  
**Winner** - Lavida Residences  
Residential High-Rise Architecture Award  
**Winner** - The Point Abha  
Mixed-Use Architecture Award

### CID Awards - MENA

**Finalist** - The Point, Canopy Hotel Abha Best  
Interior Design Concept of the Year, Hotel &  
Residential  
**Finalist** - Interior Design Firm of the Year  
**Finalist** - Best Architectural Firm of the Year  
**Finalist** - Vaida Buchrotaite  
Interior Designer of the Year  
**Finalist** - Tijana Cirikovacki  
Project Manager of the Year  
**Finalist** - Kinjal Porecha  
Unsung Hero of the Year

### CID Awards - Hospitality

**Winner** - Abha Canopy Hotel (by Hilton) Best  
Hotel Design Concept  
**Finalist** - Hospitality Design Firm of the Year  
**Finalist** - Vaida Buchrotaite  
Hospitality Designer of the Year  
**Finalist** - Henrique Dias  
Hospitality Designer of the Year

### CID Awards - Saudi

**Highly Commended** - Abha, The Point  
Interior Design of the Year Concept  
**Finalist** - Pioneering Design Firm of the Year  
(Editor`s Choice)  
**Finalist** - Vaida Buchrotaite  
Interior Designer of the Year  
**Finalist** - Interior Design Firm of the Year

### Global RLI Awards

**Winner** - RLI Designer of the Year  
**Highly Commended** - The Point, Abha  
RLI Future Project

### Architecture Leaders Awards

**Finalist** - Architecture firm of the Year  
**Finalist** - Best Workplace of the Year  
**Finalist** - Abha Mixed-use Development  
**Finalist** - Lavida Development Best Future  
Projects of the Year  
**Winner** - Dr. Essam Nabih  
Lifetime Achievement Award  
**Highly Commended** - Henrique Dias  
Architect of the Year  
**Finalist** - Kirby Zalameda  
Architect of the Year  
**Finalist** - Isolina Mahmoud  
Young Talent of the Year

## 2022

### Construction Week Awards

**Finalist** - Architecture Firm of the Year  
**Finalist** - Sport Society  
Commercial Project of the Year  
**Finalist** - Vaida Buchrotaite  
Female Leader of the Year

### Middle East Consultant Awards

**Winner** - Company of the Year  
**Finalist** - Architecture Firm of the Year  
**Finalist** - Interior Design Firm of the Year

### Design ME Awards

**Winner** - Interior Design Firm of the Year  
**Highly Commended** - Buruj Hotel  
Best Future Project  
**Finalist** - Architecture firm of the Year  
**Finalist** - Best Workplace of the Year  
**Finalist** - Henrique Dias  
Architect of the Year  
**Finalist** - Vaida Buchrotaite  
Interior Designer of the Year  
**Finalist** - Dr. Essam Nabih  
Lifetime Achievement of the Year  
**Finalist** - Isolina Mahmoud  
Young Talent of the Year

### Architecture Leaders Awards

**Winner** - Sport Society  
Commercial Project of the Year  
**Winner** - Jamal Salem  
Lifetime Achievement Award  
**Highly Commended** - Jubail Island  
Best Future Project of the Year  
**Finalist** - Architecture Firm of the Year  
**Finalist** - Best Workplace of the Year  
**Finalist** - Scott Pryde  
Architect of the Year  
**Finalist** - Naji Safi  
Young Talent of the Year

### Index Design Awards

**Winner** - Laura Lee  
Rising Star of the Year  
**Finalist** - Jubail Beach Club  
Concept Design of the Year  
**Finalist** - Interior Design Company of the  
Year  
**Finalist** - Vaida Buchrotaite  
Interior Design Leader of the Year

### The Big-5 Construction Impact Awards

**Finalist** - Jubail Island  
Community of the Future

### CID Awards

**Finalist** - Interior Design Firm of the Year  
**Winner** - Laura Lee  
Young Interior Designer of the Year  
**Finalist** - Sultan Street  
Interior Design Concept of the Year  
**Finalist** - Vaida Buchrotaite  
Interior Designer of the Year  
**Finalist** - Sherwin Boston  
Behind the Scenes Award







## Previous Awards & Recognitions

### 2021

#### Design ME Awards

**Winner** - Islamic World District (IWD) Master Plan of the Year  
**Finalist** - Architecture Firm of the Year  
**Finalist** - Interior Design Firm of the Year  
**Finalist** - Sport Society Retail Project of the Year  
**Finalist** - Jubail Island Best Future Project  
**Finalist** - Jamal Salem Lifetime Achievement  
**Finalist** - Stephanie Kinnick Project Manager of the Year  
**Finalist** - Vaida Buchrotaite Interior Designer of the Year  
**Finalist** - Naji Safi Young Talent of the Year

#### Arabian Property Awards

**Winner** - Jubail Island Best Mixed-use Architecture  
**Winner** - Jubail Island Best Mixed-use Architecture - Abu Dhabi  
**Winner** - Madinah Gate Best Mixed-use Architecture - Saudi Arabia  
**Architecture Leaders Awards**  
**Winner** - Emerging Architecture Firm of the Year  
**Construction Week Awards**  
**Finalist** - Architecture Firm of the Year  
**CID Awards**  
**Finalist** - Interior Design Firm of the Year  
**identity Awards**  
**Finalist** - Jubail Island Best Future Project

### 2020

**Honorable Mention** - Fujairah Fine Arts Academy - Unbuilt  
**AIA Cleveland**  
**Winner** - Sport Society - Leisure Architecture Dubai  
**International Property Awards**

### 2017

**Winner** - Mall of the Emirates Expansion Shopping Centre Renovation Award  
**Retail & Leisure Institute (RLI)**

### 2016

**Winner** - Mall of the Emirates Expansion Design and Development Excellence Gold Award  
**International Council of Shopping Centers (ICSC)**  
**Middle East Council of Shopping Centers (MECSC)**







## Global Awards

### 2024

*ICSC Global Awards - Global Design & Development*

**Finalist** - The Point, Abha  
Evolving Innovation & Aspiration

*ABC Carolinas Excellence in Construction Awards*

**Eagle and Merit Awards** - The Healthcare Construction Over 50M  
UNC Health Blue Ridge Valdese Cancer Center

**Eagle and Merit Awards** - Renovations/Restorations \$5M-\$10M  
Catawba College Center for the Environment

### *ASHRAE*

**Winner** - 311 W Monroe  
1st place from the Chicago Chapter of ASHRAE RES Americas - Merit Award

*IIDA Rocky Mountain Chapter's annual Best Awards*

**Best of the Best** - Swarthmore College Dining and Community Commons

**Best Award** - Swarthmore College Dining and Community Commons Food & Drink Category

**Merit Award** - RES Americas - Workplace 25k-40Ksf category

**Peoples Choice** - Catbird Prototype Loft Bed

### 2023

*Muse Hotel Awards*

**Winner** - Thompson Denver  
World-Class Lifestyle Boutique Hotel

*ACI Excellence in Concrete Award*

**Winner** - Thompson Denver  
Commercial/Industrial Buildings

*Travel and Leisure*

**Finalist** - Scarlet Hotel Lincoln  
One of the best new hotels in a college town

### 2022

*NEWH Top Interior Design Firm*

**Winner** - Top Interior Design Firm

*AIA Nebraska - Excellence in Design Awards*

**Architectural Honor Award** - UNMC Voigtman

Distinguished Accomplishment in Unbuilt Architecture

**Architectural Citation Award** - Conagra  
Distinguished Accomplishment in Unbuilt Architecture

## Previous Awards & Recognitions

### 2021

**41st annual Gold Key Awards for Excellence in Hospitality Design**

**Winner** - Designer of the Year

**Best New Hotels in the World Travel & Leisure**

**Finalist** - Surety Hotel - Aparium  
Best Lobby Upscale, Best Guestroom Upscale, and Hotel Upper Midscale

**Boutique Design Magazine**

**Gold Key Award** - Surety Hotel  
Aparium, Best Guestroom Upscale

**Muse Design Awards**

**Platinum** - Surety Hotel  
Aparium Historic Restoration  
**Platinum** - Surety Hotel - Aparium Renovation  
**Gold** - Surety Hotel - Aparium Hotels & Resorts  
**Gold** - Surety Hotel - Aparium - Hospitality

**Boutique Design Magazine**

**Gold Key Award** - Surety Hotel  
Aparium, Best Guestroom Upscale

**Travel & Leisure Best New Hotels in the World List**

Surety Hotel - Aparium

**AIA Nebraska**

**Merit Award** - Surety Hotel - Aparium  
Interior Architecture

**Muse Design Awards**

**Platinum** - Kimpton Cottonwood Hotel Renovation

**Gold** - Kimpton Cottonwood Hotel

Historic Restoration

**Gold** - Kimpton Cottonwood Hotel - Hotels & Resorts

**Gold** - Kimpton Cottonwood Hotel Hospitality

**Boutique Design Magazine**

**Gold Key Award** - Kimpton Cottonwood Hotel  
Best Lobby Upscale

**Gold Key Award** - Kimpton Cottonwood Hotel  
Judges' "So Cool"

**AIA Nebraska**

**People's Choice** - Kimpton Cottonwood Hotel  
Excellence in Interior Architecture

**41st annual Gold Key Awards for Excellence in Hospitality Design**

**Finalist** - AC Hotel Scottsdale

Best Hotel Focused Service

**Hotel Hot List Hospitality Design Magazine**

**Winner** - Thompson Denver Hotel

**Wood Design & Building Magazine's**

**Canadian Wood Council Award**

**Winner** - Hines T3 West Midtown





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