

# make. shift

## **making space, shifting practice.**

makeSHIFT Architecture is a NY and VA based design studio and full service architecture firm that thinks about how we practice architecture as much as how we make architecture.

Our name is a play on words - it's about doing more with less, and shifting the way architecture is typically delivered. Instead of handing drawings over and walking away, we work hand in hand with our clients to center their perspective throughout the design process.

# chesapeake bay coastal home

**Status** Under Construction  
**Size** 6,500 SF  
**Location** Virginia Beach, VA  
**Typology** Single Family Residential  
Gut Renovation and Addition

A tear down rebuild project for a single family residence built in the 1990s on the southern end of the Chesapeake Bay. The design opens up the floor plan with views toward the water throughout and creates more space for a growing family.

**Structural Engineer** KPFF  
**Construction** Hylton Builders

**Permits Approved** Fall 2023  
**Expected Completion** Summer 2025



# alanton residence renovation

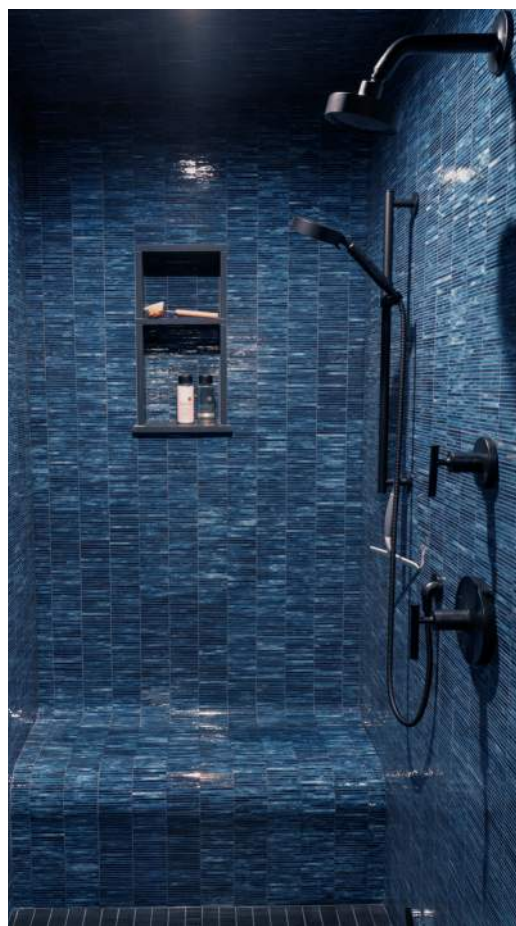
Completed  
Size  
Location  
Typology

2024  
250 SF  
Virginia Beach, VA  
Single Family Residential  
Interior Renovation

The renovation includes a new spa with a steam shower and sauna, new kitchenette, and additional storage off of an existing gym within the residence. The light and bright materials of the new kitchenette contrast with the dark floors, saturated blue tiles, and natural wood of the spa, creating a soothing environment and escape for the owners. Curved tiled benches were designed at the steam showers to help with water flow and provide a playful contrast to the linear wood benches at the sauna.

Construction  
Photography

Hylton Builders  
Pathfinder Perspectives



# sugar breeze residence

Completed  
Size  
Location  
Typology

Under Construction  
2500 SF  
Sarasota, Florida  
Single Family Residential  
New Construction

Design and Project Management by Rebecca Rand while at Kimberly Brown Architects.  
Project designed in 2019-2020.

Single family development for Efficient Developments. Sugar Breeze takes design inspiration from Ralph Twitchel and Paul Rudolf's Sarasota School of Architecture, embracing concrete, pops of color, and outdoor spaces.



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Multi-Family townhouse in Port Charlotte, Florida. Two, twelve unit building each comprise a mixture of 1, 2, and 3 bedroom homes, are punctuated by egress stairs and tuck under garages.



# **norfolk house renovation**

**Completed** 2023  
**Size** 1,500 SF  
**Location** Norfolk, VA  
**Typology** Single Family Residential  
Interior Renovation

A renovation project for a single family residence in Norfolk, Virginia along the Elizabeth River. The project seeks to open up the existing kitchen and breakfast nook to the surrounding living rooms and waterfront views, with updates to the entry foyer, powder rooms, parlor, dining room, and laundry room. The kitchen would be the heart of the design, as it's where most family and friends gather, breathing new life into the space with warm materials and a large custom island for communing. Each space was designed to complement the next, with touches of family art and pieces collected from travels around the world.

**Construction** Hylton Builders  
**Photography** Pathfinder Perspectives



# blue stem renovation

**Completed** 2023  
**Size** 4,500 SF  
**Location** Oklahoma City, OK  
**Typology** Single Family Residential Interior Renovation

A renovation project for a single family residence in Oklahoma City. The existing house was a mish mash of construction techniques, styles, colors, and finishes that had accumulated over the years with various owners and builders. The project focused on creating a cohesive aesthetic throughout with strategic renovations and the owner's love of the arts and crafts style with some fun graphics. No stone was left untouched, with our team testing and hands on approach for a custom refinish of the fireplace. We've included photos of the house before to see the difference in design.

**Construction** Barkocy Construction  
**Photography** Ewing Media



# park slope apartment combination

**Completed** 2022  
**Size** 1,700 SF  
**Location** Brooklyn, NY  
**Typology** Single Family Residential  
Interior Renovation

This project combines two apartments into a larger home on the top floor of a co-op building in Park Slope. A careful arrangement of spaces allowed for an enlarged three bedroom and two bathroom layout at the private, darker, rear of the home, separated by a playful archway connecting to the brighter, more public, front of the apartment where the front of the home is completely open to the enlarged kitchen, living room, and dining room, where a wall separating the two apartments used to exist.

**Structural Engineer** KPFF  
**Construction** Dineen Construction  
**Photography** Raunak Rekhi





# prospect heights apartments

Status Pre - Construction  
Size 8,00 SF  
Location Brooklyn, NY  
Typology Multi-Family Residential  
New Construction

makeSHIFT and Bowerbird Architects have partnered together to design a ground up multifamily building in Park Slope, Brooklyn. The design features a creative use of zoning constraints, producing a sloped dormer, and tiered rooftop terrace.

Architecture and Design makeSHIFT + Bowerbird  
Structural Engineer AI-Alt  
MEP Engineer All City Engineering

Permits Approved 2023  
Expected Completion 2026



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# bedstuy brownstone renovation

**Completed** 2020  
**Size** 1,800 SF  
**Location** Brooklyn, NY  
**Typology** Single Family Residential  
 Gut Renovation

This project is a custom gut renovation of a home originally constructed in 1899. The client sought a home that complimented his current lifestyle and environmental goals. A large skylight funnels through the center of the house and custom resin guardrail allowing daylight access the lower floors and interior rooms of the house. The second floor was converted into a primary suite with a large steam shower and bathtub at the center, flanked by a bedroom to the south and a sitting room to the north. One way mirrors allow privacy while providing daylight and views from within the primary bathroom. The lowest floor is designed as the entertaining space and a view of the resin guardrail peaks through the ceiling, illuminated by the light from the skylight two levels above.

The house was fully electrified and we maxed out the footprint of a solar array which is raised off the surface of the roof to increase its size.

**Design & Management** Rebecca & Marrina  
**Architect of Record** KBA  
**Structural Engineer** Hatfield  
**Construction** Aerial Design Build  
**Photography** Scott Neel



# city parks foundation office reno



**Completed** 2023  
**Size** 2,500 SF  
**Location** Central Park, NY, NY  
**Typology** Commercial Office Fit Out

In collaboration with Borough Works, through a non-profit called Design Advocates, this project reinvented the headquarters of city parks foundation in the landmark Arsenal Building in Central Park. Working with a \$200,000 budget, we designed a modern, flexible, and bright office environment complete with new furniture, lighting, and finishes.

Clusters of durable knoll workstations replaced oversized and outdated cubicles to allow light and air into the interior of the previously shadowy floor plate. Consolidating and reconfiguring the desks allowed the addition of a conference room and kitchenette, separated from the open office by a series of strategically placed, modular storage units. In addition to adding several ceiling fans for improved airflow, we also replaced the existing acoustical ceiling tile, and upgraded all of the existing lights with linear, led light fixtures.

Design Advocates + makeSHIFT Architecture  
Construction DMC Builders  
Photography Alan Tansey



# work social coworking space

Completed  
Size  
Location  
Typology

2021  
2,750 SF  
New Jersey  
Commercial  
Office Fit Out

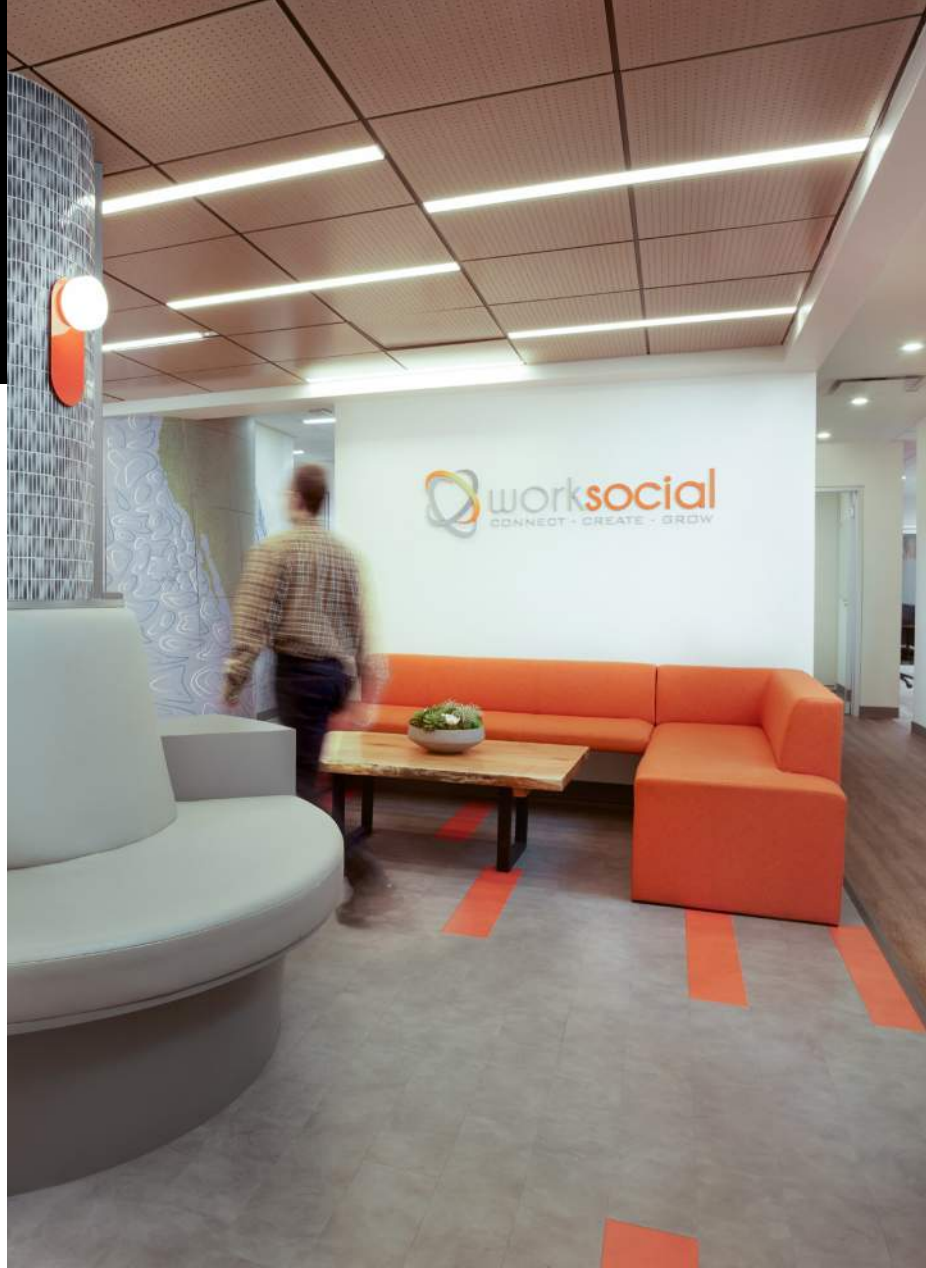
Design and Project Management by Rebecca with Kimberly Brown Architects.

Office fit out for a coworking startup based in New Jersey. The program included conference rooms, break out areas, a kitchenette, and phone booths for the members of the coworking space.

Services included Finishes, Fixtures, and Equipment along with Architectural Design and Project Management.

Photography

Tory Williams



# red oak oral surgery facility

**Completed** 2022  
**Size** 2,500 SF  
**Location** West Harrison, NY  
**Typology** Commercial Surgical Dental Office

Architect of record for interior of an existing office building into a facial & oral surgery office in West Harrison, NY. The new hospital grade facility is designed to reflect an atmosphere that emphasizes comfort and optimal care for patients and staff.

**Architectural Collaborator** W Design  
**Construction** Mid Hudson Construction

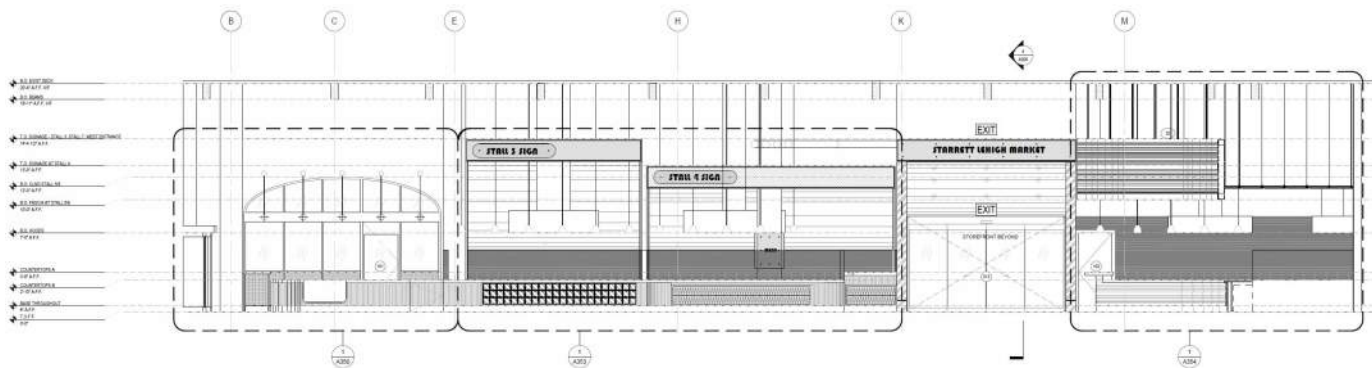


# food hall at starrett lehigh

Completed 2021  
Size 17,000 SF  
Location New York, NY  
Typology Hospitality | Restaurant  
Interior Renovation

This project was previously completed by Rebecca and Marrina at Kimberly Brown Architecture.

The Food Hall at Starrett Lehigh was an opportunity for a series of design vignettes for multiple food stalls and food types. Concept and design development was provided for the space, with final finishes and selected by the development group and vendors.



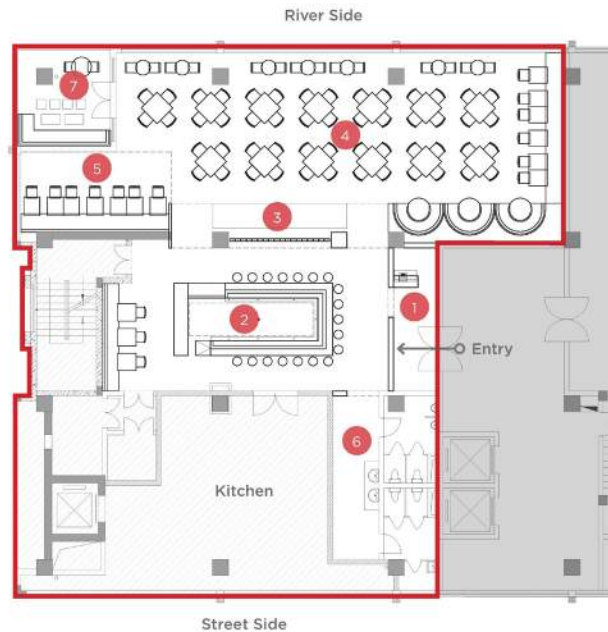
# phoenix brasserie

**Status** Design Completed in 2021  
**Size** 3,000 SF  
**Location** Shanghai, China  
**Typology** Hospitality | Restaurant  
**Interior Renovation**

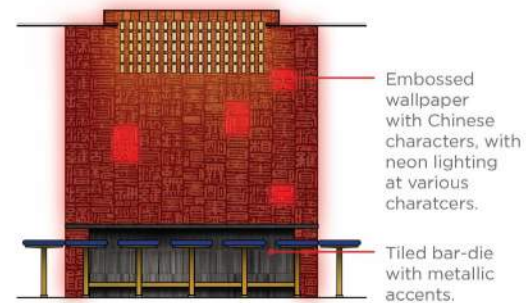
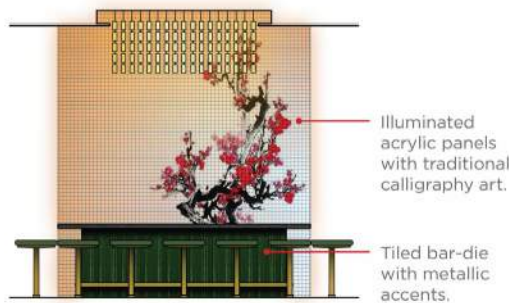
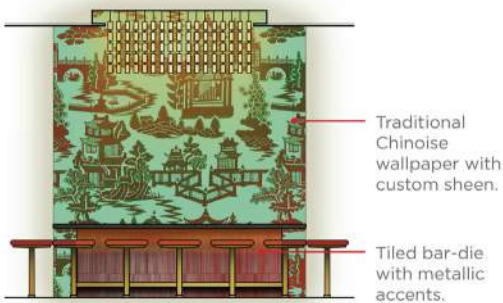
This project was previously completed by Marina at Kimberly Brown Architects.

A new restaurant concept that re-imagines and reuses existing elements in a tenant space for a modern East meets West Chinese and French restaurant in the heart of Shanghai.

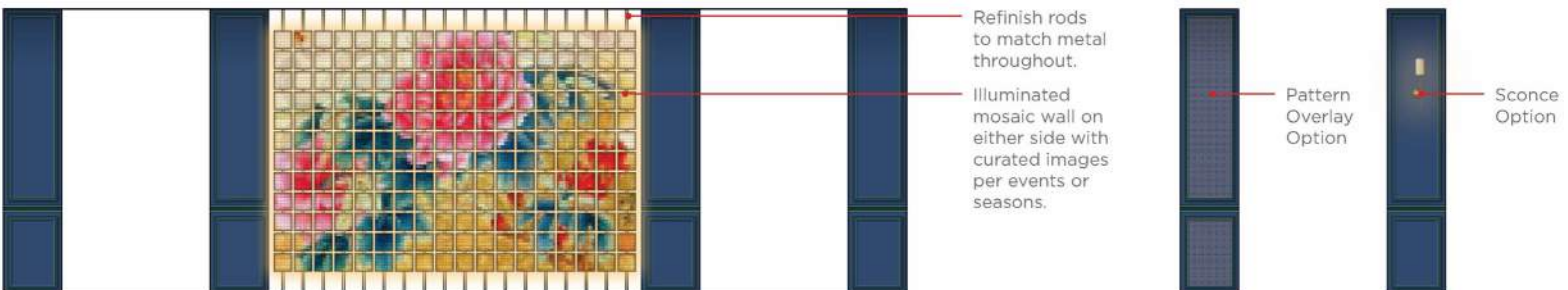
The design concepts take inspiration from Chinese imagery and culture and displays it against classic French millwork and trim in unique and modern applications. Rich colors and metals provide a medium that helps to tie the design together.



- 1 The Arrival
- 2 The Bar
- 3 The Wall
- 4 The Dining Room
- 5 The Private Dining
- 6 The Restroom
- 7 The Balcony



## 2 The Bar : Design Options



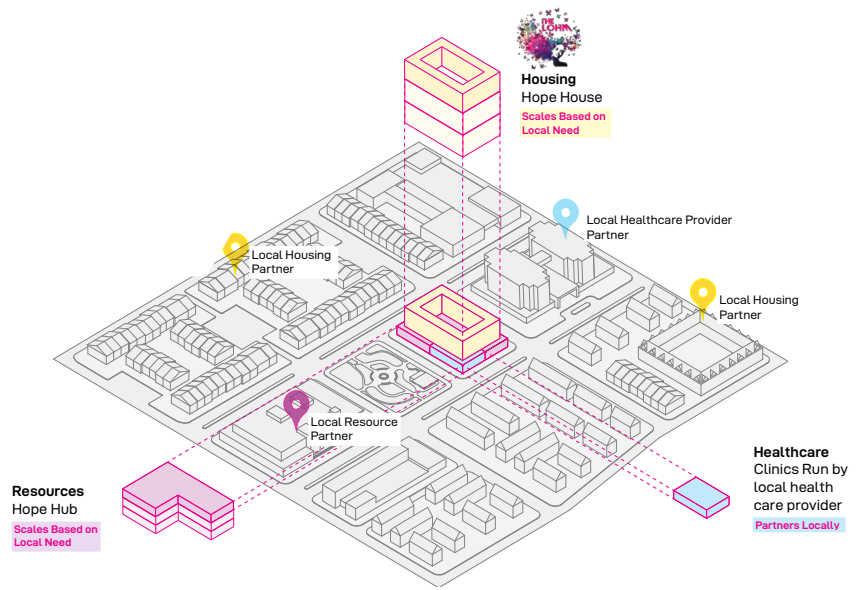
## 3 The Wall : Design Options

# hope hub baltimore

Status Design Completed in 2021  
Size 10,000 SF  
Location Baltimore, MD  
Typology Commercial | Community  
Adaptive Reuse

Envisioned and led by women with lived experience in the prison system, hope hub is a community center that aims to advance the power and economic influence of women, girls, and communities impacted by incarceration.

Community driven programming and services within a newly renovated building create an environment designed for self-improvement with community support. The design takes advantage of the existing warehouse structure, re-purposing and transforming the flanking storage areas into indoor-outdoor entry vestibules to welcome the community.





# celebration church

**Completed** 2018  
**Size** 90,000 SF  
**Location** Georgetown, TX  
**Typology** Community  
New Construction

This project was previously completed by  
Marrina at Small Architects.

The 90,000+ square foot new church building  
rests atop a hill adjacent to the original  
facility. The new building offers an auditorium,  
offices, cafe, and children's religious education  
classrooms. Design of the building uses local  
materials and displays a modern interpretation  
of the surrounding architectural context.

The project received the 2019 Global  
Architecture and Design Award in the Cultural  
(Built) category.



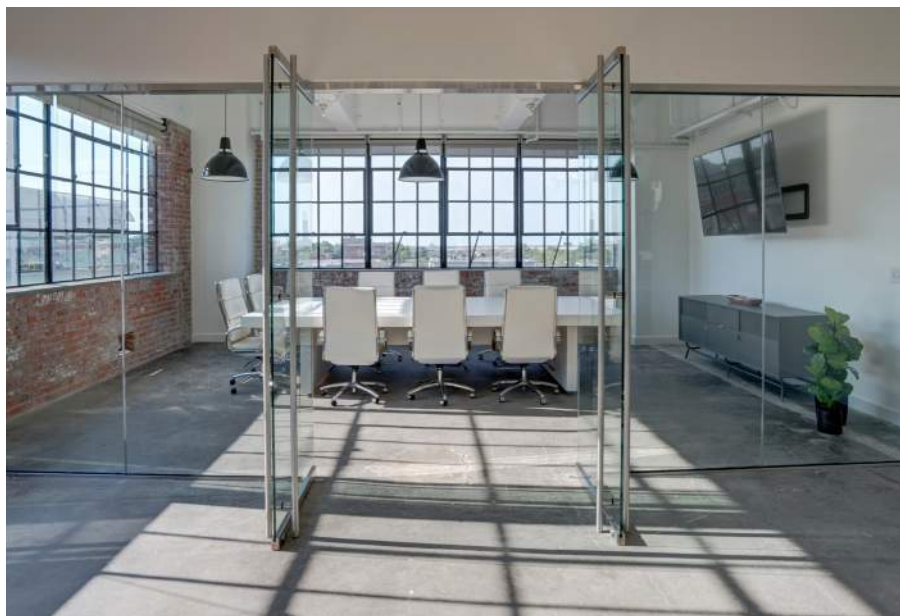
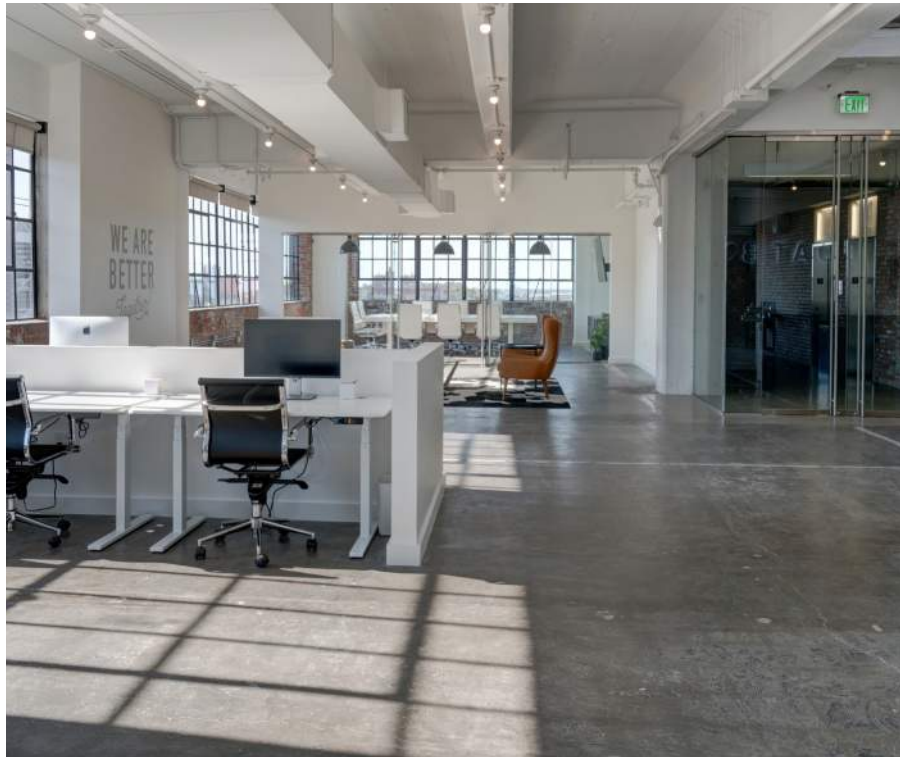
# datebox offices

**Completed** 2017  
**Size** 5,000 SF  
**Location** Oklahoma City, OK  
**Typology** Commercial | Office  
Interior Renovation

This project was previously completed by  
Marrina with Devon Kolomyjec.

Space was acquired on the top floor of the  
historic Buick Building in the Automobile Alley  
district for the Datebox Office expansion. Due to  
the unique design aesthetic and historic nature  
of the building, architectural consultation  
was provided for the interior renovation of the  
offices.

Consultation included schematic designs  
and concepts, code review, and construction  
administration in conjunction with the owner  
and owner's primary designer.

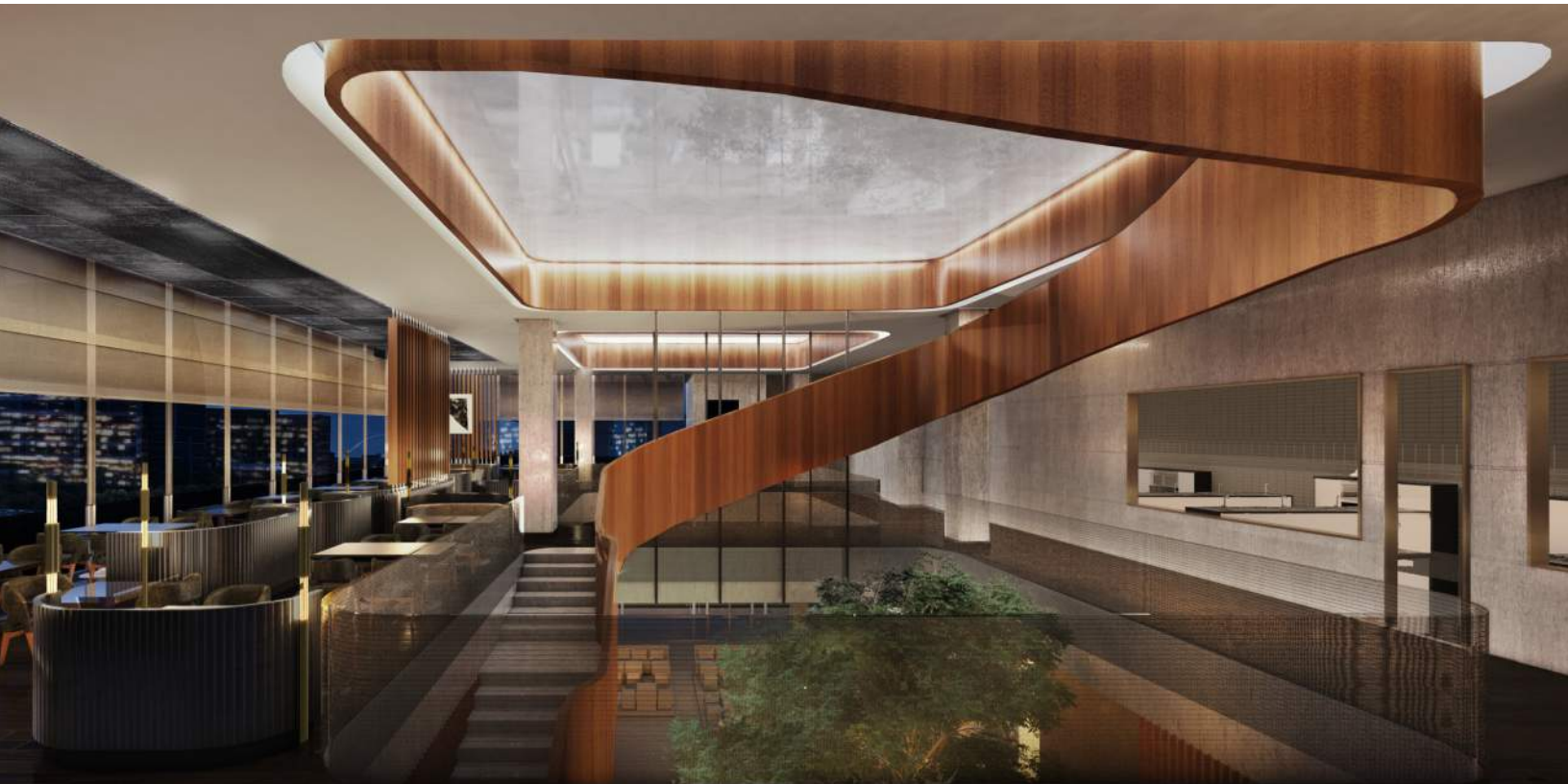


# CUT by wolfgang puck

**Design Completed** 2017  
**Size** 10,000 SF  
**Location** Dallas, TX  
**Typology** Restaurant,  
New Construction

This project was previously completed by Rebecca at STRATA Architects.

Concept design for Wolfgang Puck's CUT restaurant. The concept design is a full gut renovation of an existing building in the heart of Dallas. The design takes the familiar CUT aesthetic and draws inspiration from the local character of its new location. Guests are greeted by warm tones, industrial metals, and leathering detailing at the entry that lead to an open dining and outdoor dining, and wind up a grand stair along the storefront perimeter to an intimate private dining room above.



# CUT by wolfgang puck

**Completed** 2016  
**Size** 7,000 SF  
**Location** New York, NY  
**Typology** Hospitality | Restaurant

This project was previously completed by Rebecca at STRATA Architects.

Designed in collaboration with Jacques Garcia Decoration, the restaurant project includes custom neon light fixtures and artwork, a 2,500 SF commercial kitchen, separate temperature controlled glass wine rooms for the restaurant's extensive collection, a private dining room with custom wall panels, and a feature bar that is directly adjacent from the Four Seasons Hotel lobby.

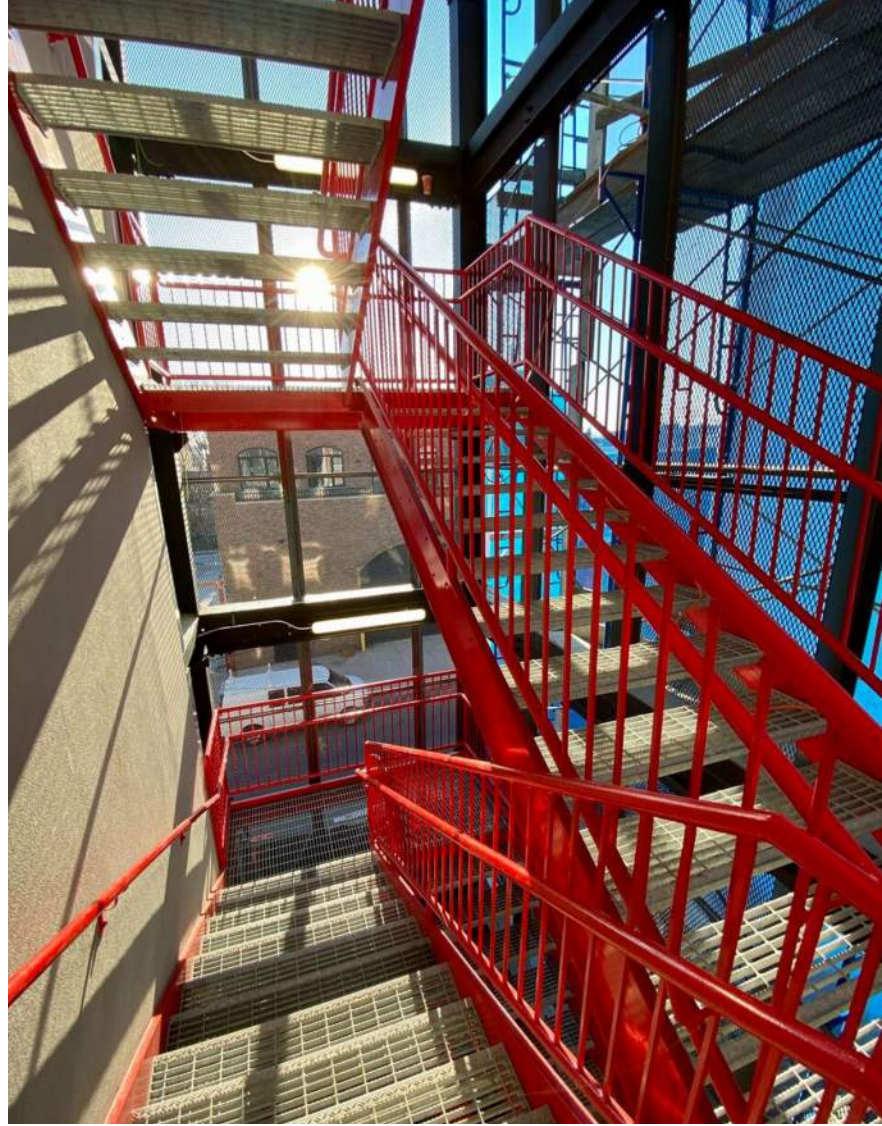


# dikeman office and manuf. facility

Completed **2016**  
Size **10,000 SF**  
Location **Brooklyn, NY**  
Typology **Commercial | Office**

This project was previously completed by Rebecca at STRATA Architects.

The boutique office and manufacturing facility provides industrial grade space for people seeking flexible work environment in the popular Red Hook neighborhood. The building comprises the look and quality of a sleek industrial interior and exteriors. It is also designed as a resilient structure to withstand rough weather and flood conditions due to its location in a FEMA flood zone.



# warr acres development

Completed 2016  
Size 4,600 SF  
Location Oklahoma City, OK  
Typology Commercial | Retail  
New Construction

This project was previously completed by Marrina at Small Architects.

The Warr Acres retail development was a ground up development designed with close coordination between the design team, general contractor, owner, and corner tenant. An industrial and modern design, the building allows for three tenant spaces and boasts an illuminated crown atop the corner space to provide street appeal adjacent to the street intersection.



# brew coffee shop

**Completed** 2015  
**Size** 5,700 SF  
**Location** Edmond, OK  
**Typology** Hospitality | Restaurant  
Interior Renovation

This project was previously completed by Marrina at Small Architects.

The BREW Coffee Shop was part of a renovation project for a local college to reinvigorate an old multipurpose room into a new study hall with private study rooms and offices for staff.

The project uses natural soapstone for the counter top, metals, and industrial materials to complement the exposed concrete floors and existing atrium glass storefront and masonry walls.





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90610	Graphic Design
90640	Interior Design, Space Planning, Exhibit/Displays
90652	Land Development and Planning
90657	Towers
90688	Architectural and Engineering Non-Professional
907	Architectural Services, Non-Professional
90714	Designing Services
90735	Drafting Services
90738	Consulting Services
918	Architectural Consulting
91814	Buildings, Structures, and Components Consulting
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### Business Summary

makeSHIFT Architecture PLLC is a design studio and full service architecture firm with a thoughtful approach to design and practice that is respectful of local communities.

Our firm combines technical building and design expertise and efficient production with a passion for designing healthy, beautiful, and accessible environments.

We are process driven in our design work and in our architecture practice, and have developed methods for engaging stakeholders throughout the course of our projects.

Our goal is to shift the way architecture is traditionally made: by architects, for the public. Instead, our design process creates opportunities and conditions for the public to participate in making architecture.

### Core Competencies and Differentiators

Our work ranges in size and project type from custom woodwork to ground up construction of multifamily residential buildings. We have experience working with commercial developers and non-profits and offer a range of services including:

- **Pre-design and Feasibility,**
- **Full Service Architectural Design,**  
Schematic Design  
Design Development  
Permitting  
Bidding and Negotiation  
Construction Administration
- **Architect of Record (AOR) services,**
- **Project Management, and**
- **Hourly Consulting.**

We are registered architects in **New York, Oklahoma, Connecticut, and New Jersey.**

### Certifications and Awards

- Women-Owned Business Enterprise (WBE)
- 2020 Recipient of the AIA Arnold W. Brunner Grant through the NYC Center for Architecture

### Past Performance

- Re-Entry and Supportive Housing Pre-design and Feasibility for The Ladies of Hope Ministries.
- Multifamily Development in Collaboration with Bowerbird Architects.
- Single Family Residential Renovation Designs in Various Locations Between NYC, OK, and CT.
- Office Renovation in Collaboration with Design Advocates for City Parks Foundation.
- Post Covid Redesign for HelloFresh.



## **thank you!**

Thanks for taking a look at our work!  
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