

ENTREPRENEURIAL CREATIVE who has **founded and operated 3 businesses**, with experience **leading, developing, and managing people and projects** in Architecture, Design, Engineering, and Education. A NATURAL STIMULATOR to any team and an INQUISITIVE LEADER who ventures into the optimism of the unknown to **create proactive solutions which anticipate human-centered needs**.

EXPERIENCE

- 2012 - Present **W Design Inc**, Honolulu, HI
Owner, Principal Designer
- Residential renovations: space planning, K+B design, FF+E, project management, construction administration
 - Collaborate with Chicago construction companies Iripino Construction and Integrity Construction
 - Graphics: identity branding packages, investor pitch deck: PepsiCo, Sheridan Strategies, AUM Capital, Wild Dinosaurs
- 2012 - Present **Meerkat Academics**, Honolulu, HI
Owner, Private Tutor + Educational Consultant
- Conduct corporate technology training sessions: Osmose Utility, Lehua Environmental, Guild Capital, Chicago Yacht Club
 - Educate those curious about or entering the design field by offering tailored lesson plans and technology training
 - Create and conduct summer design courses
 - Tutor K-12, college level math and science topics, SSAT, SAT, ACT, and GRE test preparation
 - Partner with Northwestern Academy for Chicago Public Schools and McKinsey & Company's GetSet program to tutor high achieving under-served students
- 2018 - 2019 **WATG**, Honolulu, HI
Intermediate Designer
- Craft cohesive design visions, strategies, and narratives to guide aesthetic design decisions and for project marketing to clients and investors
 - Design hotel guestrooms, villas, F&B outlets, masterplan for hospitality and mixed-use projects in Mexico, US, Japan, Saudi Arabia, Vietnam, and China from Initial Concept to Design Development phases
 - Initiate and lead a Rhino Workflow committee of Sr Designers, Digital Technology Managers, and Rhino users to identify and implement in-office and global process improvements via monthly discussions
 - Direct and manage Junior Designers, train and mentor new hires
 - Support WATG's Seattle Urban Studio and collaborate with international offices and teams
 - Coordinate with clients, hotel operators, market researchers, consultants, and suppliers
- 2017 - 2018 **Moss Design**, Chicago, IL
Project Manager
- Planned, coordinated, scheduled, designed, developed, and managed projects, from conceptual design to construction
 - Collaborated with clients, design principal, vendors, and construction supervisors on design-build projects
 - Prepared and adjusted project budget based on estimated work to be completed by trade
- 2014 - 2015 **Froelich Kim Architecture**, Chicago, IL
Architectural Designer
- Create, organize, develop construction drawings and digital models for hospitality, commercial, residential projects
 - Design concept presentation board for client
 - Assist partners in design concepts, site survey, vendor coordination
- 2013 **WATG + Wimberly Interiors**, Irvine, CA + Beverly Hills, CA
Architectural Intern / Interior Designer
- Designed and modeled interior and architectural features for Hard Rock Casino, Huntington Beach hotel
 - Advised animators/3D renderers on modeling, material, and lighting effects for animation video
 - Performed site feasibility study of resort in Bodrum, Turkey through use of 3d contour modeling
- 2011 - 2012 **Mars Chocolate North America**, Chicago, IL
Research + Development Quality Assurance Technologist
- Managed 8 indirect reports and assumed roles and responsibilities of site R+D Manager
 - Led daily Quality Meeting in product inspection and assigned accountability for quality or food safety issues
 - Evaluated and investigated quality-related issues; implemented corrective + preventative measures
 - Led Community of Practice for Internal Audits: facilitated teleconferences and annual conference
 - Trained 200+ associates on revamped metal detection monitoring, validation, and escalation procedures
 - Administrator for Statistical Process Control and Corrective Action Preventative Action systems
- 2009 **Art Green LLC**, Philadelphia, PA
Co-Owner | Managing Partner
- Managed the accounting and legal operations of a real estate investment company
 - Served as property manager for a five-unit commercial property

EXPERIENCE CONTINUED

- 2009 - 2010 **Grace Ong-Yan, PhD**, Philadelphia, PA
Editor's Assistant
- Transcribed and organized research publications and video interviews for "Architect: The Work of the Pritzker Prize Laureates in Their Own Words", Black Dog & Leventhal Publishers, October 2010.
- 2007 - 2009 **Steelman Partners**, West Atlantic City, NJ
Project Coordinator
- Designed interior architecture, lighting fixtures, furniture, and custom millwork for hospitality industry
 - Coordinated, organized, and produced drawings and specifications for proposals and contractor bids
- 2008 **Mark Karlen | Space Planning Basics, 3rd Edition**, Philadelphia, PA
Textbook Revision Reviewer
- Reviewed and offered updates to Appendix section of "Space Planning Basics," John Wiley & Sons, Inc., 2009.
- 2007 **Lee Rehab PLLC**, New York, NY
Office Manager
- Managed & trained Billing Assistant for the conversion of all patient records into an electronic system
 - Established a new medical office's Standard Operating Procedure for patient intake, charting, and billing
- 2005 - 2007 **Waterbury Design, Inc.**, Kennett Square, PA
Designer & Marketing Manager
- Designed high-end residential custom kitchens & baths, commercial retail and office spaces
 - Managed web and print marketing campaigns & created full-page ads for four publications
- 2003 - 2005 **Saint John of God Community Services**, Westville Grove, NJ
Early Intervention Billing Analyst
- Planned, designed, and constructed a billing + personnel management system with reporting capabilities in Microsoft Access
 - Implemented, trained and supported 50 new system users between two campuses
 - Advised Program Director in the assessment of the Technology Plan

SKILLS

- Design** Architectural Concepts, Branding, Graphical Presentation, Interior Space Planning, Research Based Data-Driven Design
- Digital** AutoCAD, Rhinoceros, Revit, SketchUp, Photoshop, Illustrator, InDesign, Grasshopper, Lumion, Enscape
- Engineering** Six Sigma Green Belt, Value Stream Mapping, Lean Practices, Statistical Process Control
- Language** Fluent: English, Cantonese; Limited Proficiency: Spanish, Mandarin

RECOGNITION

- 2016 **IAAC "Self-Sufficient Habitat: 5th Advanced Architectural Contest"** Competition Project Publication
- 2014 **North Lawndale Greystone Row** Winning entry for design-build intervention, Project Manager
- 2013 **CROPPED Student Art Show** Student-voted winning entry
- 2011 **RTKL Chicago Invitational** Awarded first place in firm's inaugural design charette
- 2011 **The Architect's Newspaper** Project featured in "Review > Urban Dreams, Updated"
- 2010 **PennDesign WORK Publication** Project featured in WORK 2009-2010

EDUCATION

- 2010 - 2014 **University of Illinois at Chicago** M. Architecture, Chicago, IL
- 2013 **Hangar.org** M. Architecture Traveling Studio, Barcelona, Spain
- 2009 - 2010 **University of Pennsylvania PennDesign** M. Architecture, Philadelphia, PA
- 2003 - 2005 **The Art Institute of Philadelphia** A.S., Interior Design, Philadelphia, PA
- 2001 **Temple University Rome** Drawing + Art History Study, Rome, Italy
- 1997 - 2001 **The Pennsylvania State University** B.S., Industrial Engineering, University Park, PA

COMMUNITY

- 2006 - 2010 **ICON | Philadelphia Asian American Young Professionals Network**, Philadelphia, PA
Board of Director (Appointed 2008), Vice President (Elected 2007)
- Forged new alliances with eleven non-profit organizations and six businesses for community events
 - Founded and organized the Stockton College Career Diversity Symposium; enlisted panelists
 - Co-founded the Philadelphia College Coaching Program to prepare first-generation college applicants