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# What I've Worked on

My vision, as an architect & designer, is to inspire and improve the quality of life of people and growth within communities through elegant design solutions that critically assess the context, culture and the region to which the project will belong. I am passionate about every aspect of architecture & design and I strongly believe that design is a great tool to solving problems.

My methodology to designing objects/spaces/built environments involves a holistic and rigorous analysis of the client's vision, elements of the environment/nature, the urban context, sociocultural sensitivities, with a harmonious integration of traditional & contemporary techniques.

I strongly believe that every project has a **story** and design is a great tool to telling it. My strengths lie in my instinctive design sensibilities and my willingness to work through a design solution to achieve a quality result. I am always excited about design and thrilled to take on projects that allow me to explore and design tailored experiences, spaces and objects.

# Let's Grow & build together!

- + Residential & Hospitality
- + Workplace
- + Cultural, Retail & Entertainment
- + Family Homes
- + Masterplanning
- + Design explorations





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12+ years experience

# Experience

- Residential
- Hospitality
- Workplace
- Masterplanning
- Family homes
- Design Explorations
- Cultural, Retail & Entertainment

#### **Summary**

With more than 12 years of experience in architecture and design, I have worked across boutique studios and international design firms on a wide range of project types and scales, both locally and internationally. My portfolio includes single-family homes, high-rise residential towers, branded hospitality developments, and large-scale mixed-use master plans in the UAE, Saudi Arabia, Azerbaijan, India, and Nigeria. I bring a comprehensive understanding of the entire design process, including test fits and feasibility studies, and I am known for using both freehand sketching and digital media as effective tools for communication and collaboration.

Notable projects I have contributed to include a five-star beachfront hotel and a high-rise residential tower along Dubai Marina, as well as several large-scale urban developments and competition-winning schemes. These experiences have shaped a flexible, context-driven approach that balances creativity, precision, and performance.

Currently, as an Associate at Mirage Leisure & Development, I lead design efforts and manage client relationships across all phases of work. These range from visioning, test fits, and pre-concept to schematic and detailed design. I oversee teams of two to five designers depending on project scale, ensuring that design quality, coordination, and strategic intent are consistently delivered.

I am passionate about architecture's ability to shape meaningful experiences and environments, and I actively seek opportunities that continue to challenge and refine my mindset, skill set, and creative direction.

#### **Education**

#### 2008-2013 American University Of Sharjah

Bachelor of Architecture, 5 year Bachelor's degree (NAAB accredited)

Extensive design based education coupled with my interest in product & industrial design, has enabled me to develop a fascination with the act of making, thinking critically and creatively in design with a keen attention to detail. I learnt to always welcome constructive feedback as tool to further enhance my design intuition and skills.

Notable Courses

Techtonic Expressions with survey of architecture in Germany (ARC 29409)

Arch Studio VI: Comprehensive studio, Concept-Detail design. (ARC 402)

Arch Studio VII: Studio Abroad (Italy) (ARC 505) Design Build Studio (ARC 502)

3 recommendations available upon request

**2017-Present** Leed Green Associate Certified (USGBC)

2021-2022 OTHM Level 7 Diploma in Project management



# **Experience**

#### 2023-Present

# Mirage Leisure & Development | Associate | Dubai, UAE

Leading large-scale projects and multidisciplinary teams through all stages of design, while reporting directly to the Studio Director and maintaining strong client relationships. Responsible for coordinating across various disciplines and project managers to ensure design quality and alignment throughout multiple project phases. Overseeing project timelines, and resource allocation to deliver high standards of execution and performance.

# Notable Projects:

- Address Zabeel Residences, Dubai, UAE. 4 Towers (Alongside Associate director)
- Palace Creek Blue Branded Residences, Dubai Creek Habour, Dubai, UAE. (Lead)
- Locanda Hotel and Resort Project Guidiance & Facade Studies, Dubai, UAE.
- Seychelles Resort, Pre-Concept studies. (Lead, Worked Independently & Reported to Studio Director)
- EXPO 1A Hotel & serviced Apartments, Dubai, UAE. (Lead & Reported to Studio Director)
- Dubai Healthcare City Mixed-use Masterplan Phase
   2. (Lead, Alongside Associate director)
- 51 Storey Residential Tower, Business Bay, Dubai, UAE. (Lead)

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# Languages

- English
- Yoruba(Native)

#### Software Skills

- Revit
- AutoCAD
- Rhino
- 3 D m a x
- Sketch-up
- Enscape
- Mental Ray
- V-ray
- Lumion
- In Design
- Photoshop
- Illustrator
- Modelur
- Grasshopper

2023

#### CallisonRTKL | Associate | Dubai, UAE

Led large-scale projects and design teams through all stages of design, reporting directly to the Studio Director while maintaining strong client relationships. Coordinated work across multiple disciplines and managed parallel project phases to ensure the highest level of design quality. Oversaw project budgets, timelines, and team resourcing to support efficient delivery and design excellence.

#### 2022-2023

#### CallisonRTKL | Senior Designer | Dubai, UAE

Led small to mid-scale projects and design teams through all stages of design, reporting directly to the Associate Director while maintaining strong client relationships. Coordinated across multiple disciplines and managed concurrent project phases to uphold design quality. Responsible for project timelines and resourcing to ensure effective and timely delivery.



#### 2017-2022

# CallisonRTKL | Designer | Dubai, UAE

Supported senior designers and associates in developing sketches, presentations, drawings, reports, and technical documentation across various project phases. Contributed to research and design analysis while helping to shape conceptual and detailed design outputs. Frequently assumed senior-level responsibilities and independently led small to mid-scale projects and tasks based on project needs.

# Notable Projects:

- Emirates Towers District Residences, 219,000 m2
   GFA. Dubai, UAE. (Alongside Associate director)
- B1B2 residential towers and retail podium, 219,000 m2 GFA. Dubai, UAE. (Alongside Senior Associate)
- The A.Khobar Mall, 708,777 m2 retail area. Riyadh, KSA. (Part of the larger team)
- Baku White City Office gate Building, 54,880 m2 (Lead & Worked Independently)
- JEC Mixed-use Development Masterplan 478,000 m2. (Worked Independently)
- Jabi Lake 5 Star Hotel and serviced apartments, Abuja. 106,905m2. (Alongside Associate director)
- City Walk Central Park 1 Residential Apartments, 44,580 m2. (Lead)
- Emaar DCH Mall Concourse. (Alongside Associate director)
- Al Mishrak Wadi Apartments, Riyadh, KSA. (Lead)
- Ru'a Al Haram Cluster 1 Masterplan framework design competition. (Alongside Associate director)
- Al kharj Townhouses and villa typologies facade & plan development. (Worked Independently)
- Al hofuf Townhouses and villa typologies facade & plan development.(Worked Independently)
- The Quays district, Meydan 1. (Lead)
- Citywalk Lifestyle Living GFA: 139,000 sqm (1000 Units) & 3000 sqm of retail. (Lead)
- NEMO science museum. (Lead)

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# Professional Skills

- Critical Thinking
- Creative Thinking
- Creative Problem Solving
- Thorough Design Solutions
- Project Visioning
- Project Execution Strategy
- Team Management
- Interdisciplinary Mindset
- Multidisciplinary Coordination
- Multiple Project Coordination
- Research
- Detail Oriented
- Optionairing
- Sketching



# 2015-2017

## Archidentity | Design Architect | Dubai, UAE

Independently managed projects through all stages of design, from visioning to detailed design documentation. Coordinated with multiple disciplines to ensure high-quality outcomes across various project types. Led the design of competition entries and proposals, securing wins in both submitted competitions.

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#### Personal Skills

- Self Motivated
- Open Minded
- Forward Thinking
- Hardworking
- Determined
- Attentive
- Fast-Learning
- Positive Work Ethic
- Encouraging Feedback
- Collaborative Attitude
- Reliability & Accountability
- Conflict
   Management

## Main Projects:

- DTCM headquarter. G+3 mixed-use development
- PV Mosque
- MS Masjid, Jumeirah park
- NAS Complex (12 Townhouses), Jumeirah
- AMS Residential. G+2 mixed-use development.
- AMS Office Building. G+2 mixed-use development.
- 5 Family Homes: YAH House, YA House, AAM House, FB House, YS House.

#### 2014-2015 L+B Design Group | Graduate Architect | Dubai, UAE

Contributed to projects across all stages of design, from concept development to detailed design documentation. Coordinated with various disciplines to support high-quality delivery across multiple projects and design phases.

#### Main Projects:

- Address beach resort & serviced apartments
- Culture Village Bridges
- JBR Beachfront Hotel, a 250 key luxury art hotel.
- JBR Residential Tower
- Al Sufouh tram pedestrian bridges
- Pearl Jumeirah 18 Villas: G+1 villas
- IMPZ 7 Plots, Typical plan, B1+G+9 consisting of 119 units each on 7 plots

#### 2013-2014

#### +971Architects | Graduate Architect | Dubai, UAE

Independently managed projects from conceptual design through to construction documentation. Reported directly to the Director and participated in client meetings to present design solutions and gather feedback. Developed design concepts, technical drawings, and coordinated design intent across project stages.

#### Main Projects:

- Concept design, Schematic design and construction Drawings:
  - 4 townhouses in Mirdif, Dubai
  - 4 townhouses in Umm sugeim, Dubai
  - ABT Family Villa in Mirdif, Dubai
- Concept design:
  - 2 townhouses in JVC, Dubai.
  - KAN Family Villa in Sharjah, UAE
  - Dubai Silicon Park Master-plan Competition
  - S/M/L Villa Typologies in Jumeirah, Dubai
  - OL G+4 Residential building, JVC, Dubai



