

MOLLY McNAMARA

GET GO GROUP, CO-FOUNDER

PROFILE

Molly is an architect, artist, and entrepreneur living in Ellensburg, Washington. Her work on a range of community-centered institutional projects explores materiality and daylighting, complementing her academic background in sustainable design, climate-responsive architecture and building technology. A native of the Pacific Northwest, she founded Get Go Group, a design and real estate development company, with Skylar Bisom-Rapp in 2020 to start the Beverly Basecamp, a micro-resort in Grant County.

EDUCATION

Master of Architecture

University of Texas at Austin, 2015

Bachelor of Arts in Architecture

University of California, Berkeley, 2011

Certificate in Hospitality Management

eCornell, Cornell University School of Hotel Administration, 2021

SKILLS + QUALIFICATIONS

Registered architect in Washington, graphic design, photography, branding, 3D modeling, drafting, drawing, basic woodworking, painting, baking

RECOGNITION

- » AIA Student Design Award, Technical Communication, Awarded June 2015
- » Dean's Ambassador, UT Austin School of Architecture, 2014-2015
- » Design Excellence Award, Technical Communication, Advanced Studio, Fall 2014
- » J.M. West Texas Corporation Fellowship in Architecture, 2013
- » Fong & Chan Architects, Merit Scholar, College of Environmental Design, 2011

RELEVANT EXPERIENCE

Tod Williams Billie Tsien Architects | Partners, New York, NY

Designer, 2015-2020

- » Assisted with the design and construction documentation for the Obama Presidential Center (OPC) Chicago Public Library branch
- » Site coordination for the 20+ acre OPC project in Jackson Park
- » Produced schematic design, design development and construction documents for recent additions to the Frederik Meijer Gardens and Sculpture Park in Grand Rapids, Michigan
- » Performed construction administration for tram station and amphitheater expansion projects
- » Consultant coordination with MEP, civil, lighting design, and all project consultants for OPC and Meijer Gardens projects
- » Led team for fundraising model for the Meijer Gardens campus

City of New York, Department of Citywide Administrative Services, New York, NY

Graduate Architecture Intern, Summer 2014

- » Produced complete construction document set for the renovation of 100 Centre St. 10th floor parole office
- » Executed and assisted with the test fit of the Department of City Planning to 120 Broadway for two floors of office space and basement hearing room
- » Created presentation in collaboration with the Deputy and Assistant Commissioners for the 5 year relocation plan of 210 Joralemon, 345 Adams, and 141 Livingston
- » Completed the office renovation plan for Manhattan Comptroller's Office

STV / VBN Architects, Oakland, CA

Designer, 2011-2013

- » Worked through the transition following the acquisition of VBN Architects by STV Inc.
- » Conducted preliminary studies for community college campus master planning including site mapping, space inventories, documentation and site visits to community college campuses
- » Diagrammed station options, urban design guidelines, and formatted content into a formal report for the City of Gilroy and the California High Speed Rail Authority
- » Performed Rhino and Revit modeling including editing existing transportation models and creating schematic building models

Cal Dining at University of California, Berkeley

Graphic Designer, 2008-2013

- » Developed both printed and digital collateral, in addition to, location concepts for UC Berkeley's primary hospitality entity, transitioning from student employee to contract graphic designer after graduation
- » Designed all signage templates, menu boards, LED animations and marketing collateral for new and redesigned concessions at California Memorial Stadium after the \$321 million dollar renovation of the stadium in 2012. Performed similar roles for all other Cal sporting venues after Cal Dining took over management in the 2012-13 season
- » Coordinated with vendors for print production of marketing publications and design materials
- » Produced vector illustrations, logo design, publication layouts, digital + printed menu boards, and marketing campaigns
- » Managed caldining.berkeley.edu website and served as contributing editor of Cal Dining social media channels

ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

University of Texas School of Architecture, Austin, TX

- » Graduate Teaching Assistant, Building Science and Design I Studio, 2014-2015

