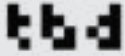


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## BIOGRAPHY

Omar Hakeem, AIA, is an architect working in the DC area and nationally to bring greater social and environmental equality through thoughtful design and planning. His work has been focused on geographical, social cultural frontiers and works to address the systemic poverty, health issues that plague these communities.

Through these efforts he has completed award winning affordable housing, rapid response disaster housing prototypes, urban bike and pedestrian infrastructure, regional drainage improvements and community based rural planning initiatives. Omar's passion for design has taken him from the cloud forests of Costa Rica to the ravaged communities of the Gulf Coast and many places in between. His professional practice has also included supporting large arts and cultural projects at Skidmore Owings & Merrill in DC, and prefabricated modular buildings at Alchemy Architects in Minnesota.

## PRACTICE

Principal/Founder -To Be Done (current)  
Lecturer - University of Maryland School of Architecture and Planning  
Director of Design - buildingcommunityWORKSHOP (2010-2020)  
Architectural Designer - Alchemy Architects (2008-2009)  
Architectural Designer - Studio for Architecture (2006-2007)  
Architectural Designer - Skidmore Owings and Merrill (2005-2006)

## PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS/CERTIFICATIONS

Council Member - American Institute of Architects Strategic Council  
Member - American Institute of Architects (2010-Present)  
Licensed Architect - National Council of Architectural Registration Boards (2015-Present)  
Member - Living Future (Living Building Challenge)

## EDUCATION

Bachelor of Science - Architecture (2006)  
Masters of Architecture (2008)  
Masters of Science (2009)

## RECOGNITION

Grist 50 "Fixer" - 2018  
"Social Impact Design Circle" Curry Stone Prize - 2017  
AIA Dallas Design Award; The Cottages at Hickory Crossing - 2017  
AIA/HUD Secretary Award for Community Informed Design; DR2 - 2016  
SXSW Eco Place by Design Award; RAPIDO - 2015  
Texas Society of Architects Design Award; La Hacienda - 2014  
SEED National Design Award; Colonia Planning & Implementation - 2013  
AIA Dallas Design Award; sustainABLEhouse DAL - 2013  
AIA Dallas Design Award Special Jury Commendation; sustainABLEhouse DAL - 2013  
Rudy Bruner Award for Urban Excellence, Silver Medalist - 2013  
AIA Dallas Design Unbuilt Award; Cottages - 2012  
SEED National Design Award; Gurley Senior Housing - 2012  
SEED National Design Award; Congo Street Initiative - 2011

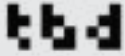
## SERVICE

Program Advisor - Rose Architectural Fellowship (2020)  
Advisor - Housing the Homeless Studio North Carolina State University(2019)  
National Endowment for the Arts - OurTown Program Advisor - (2015)  
Public Interest Design Institute - University of Virginia (2014)  
Student/Volunteer - Gulf Coast Community Design Studio, Biloxi MS (2007)  
Co-Founder - Freedom by Design SUNY Buffalo (2006)  
Student/Volunteer - Monteverde Institute Community Design Studio, Costa Rica. (2005)

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## SELECTED ARCHITECTURE + DESIGN EXPERIENCE

### Institutional

Smithsonian National Museum of American History (Washington DC)  
Citizens Institute on Rural Design - (Various)  
RAPIDO - Disaster Reconstruction Housing Program (Various)  
City of Houston Disaster Reconstruction Housing Program (Various)  
The Cottages at Hickory Crossing Services Building (Dallas TX)

### Public

Kenilworth Aquatic Park and Gardens Site Design (Washington, DC)  
Belden Trail/Park Phases 1-3 (Brownsville TX)

### Educational

Experience Learning Inc - Outdoor Education Facility (Circleville, WV)  
Sheridan School Fabrication Lab (Washington, DC)  
Mobile Fabrication Laboratory - DC Public Library - (Washington, DC)

### Interiors

DC Public Library - Local Artists Market Space (Washington, DC)  
DC Central Kitchen - Marianne's Cafe (Washington, DC)  
Natural Resources Defense Council (Washington, DC)  
416 S. Ervay St. -Interior office design and custom furniture fabrication (Dallas, TX)  
609 E. 11th St. -Interior office design and custom furniture fabrication (Brownsville, TX)

### Food and Drink

Small Brewpub (Dallas TX)  
Calleva Farm Kitchen

### Art and Exhibition

"Building Bridges" - Corcoran Gallery of Art and Design (Washington, DC)  
"By the People" Exhibition - Cooper Hewitt National Design Museum (New York, NY)  
"Design for Good" Exhibition - Museum of Design (Atlanta, GA)

### Multi-Family Residential

Davis Workforce Housing Initiative (Davis, WV)  
22 Atlantic St. - Affordable housing building rehabilitation (Washington, DC)  
701 Jefferson St. - Affordable housing building rehabilitation (Washington, DC)  
Samano (1st Ntnl Bank) Conversion to Housing for the Formerly Homeless (Brownsville, TX)  
701 Jefferson St. - Affordable housing building rehabilitation (Washington, DC)  
Casitas Lantana - 80 Unit Affordable Housing Project (Brownsville, TX)  
Cottages at Hickory Crossing - 50 Unit Housing Project for the Formerly Homeless (Dallas, TX)  
Casitas Azucar - 50 Unit Affordable Housing Project (Santa Rosa, TX)  
Tangelo Quarters - 18 Unit Affordable Housing Project (Brownsville, TX)  
Casitas Los Olmos - 80 Unit Affordable Housing Project (Raymondville, TX)  
La Hacienda- 56 Unit Affordable Housing Project (Harlingen, TX)  
Gurley Senior Housing - 24 Unit Affordable Housing Project (Dallas, TX)  
Macon Starks - 6 Unit Affordable Housing Project (Dallas, TX)

### Single Family Residential

Various

### Planning

There is More Work to Be Done - Ballis Photo Legacy Project  
District of Columbia Cultural Plan (Washington, DC)  
Crossing the Street Initiative - Ivy City (Washington, DC)  
11th. St. Bridge Park Equitable Development Plan (Washington, DC)  
Unidos Por RGV / University of Texas Equitable Development Plan  
Colonias Community Stormwater Planning Initiative  
Land Use Community Housing Action Initiative

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