RE4ORM ARCHITECTURE OVERVIEW

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Re4orm Architecture is a full service architectural firm, originally established in 1976 by James D. Smith. Over the past 38 years the firm has built a reputation for architectural responsibility, versatility, and dependability. In 2005 James T. Pollard, AIA, NCARB, LEED AP assumed ownership of the firm. Currently James T. Pollard is registered in New York, Massachusetts and Florida.

Re4orm Architecture has provided architectural services for a wide scope of projects including medical facilities, nursing homes, hospitals, educational facilities, offices, health & fitness facilities, industrial buildings, town halls and municipal buildings. Our firm has completed projects that range in magnitude from under $50,000. to $250,000,000. Re4orm Architecture also has vast experience in the design/build process and have completed many successful projects with local developers.

The size of our firm allows us to provide clients with the personal attention that every client deserves. Re4orm Architecture has been structured to be efficient by putting together an experienced, professional and loyal staff. Projects are seen from concept to completion by a team of highly skilled professionals in order to ensure continuity throughout the duration of a particular project, regardless of the scope. We have stayed small because we believe that the larger firms lack attention to detail, enthusiasm and principal involvement that we pride ourselves in.

In addition to our staff, Re4orm Architecture has developed solid relationships with specialized consultants, which provide engineering and other specialized services. Re4orm Architecture constructs a professional and knowledgeable team, which is specifically geared to address the design of your facility.

The Staff at Re4orm Architecture has a strong construction background, which gives us the ability to design structures that are practical and cost effective yet visual appealing and functional. Our construction background also enables us to provide accurate cost estimates and schedules, which are so crucial in the preliminary phase. We have worked with many facilities to provide solutions that maximize the value of the construction dollar.

Our goal at Re4orm Architecture is to create cost effective, functional design which has a positive, lasting effect on the community and its surroundings. Re4orm Architecture prides itself in creating aesthetically pleasing, imaginative architecture and client satisfaction. We are committed to developing long term professional relationships with our clients based on quality, hard work and trust.
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LEED:

James T. Pollard and Mike Gamache are our certified LEED AP’s. This accreditation gives us the knowledge, skills and understanding of green building practices and principles and the LEED Rating System to successfully complete LEED certification projects. The staff at Re4orm Architecture have worked on numerous energy-efficient projects. This minimizes costs, provides a healthier living/working environment and reduces negative effects on the environment.

- Discovering and setting LEED goals (score target) with the owner and design team, and establishing design strategies with the design team (path to compliance) for each target LEED prerequisite and point
- Providing close technical support to each design team consultant in getting required elements into the construction documents to achieve the path to compliance
- Providing close technical support to the owner in getting their required actions to occur to support and achieve the paths to compliance for owner issues
- Compiling all documentation, calculations, submittals required for LEED certification, draft and submit the LEED certification application (write-up and documentation descriptions) to the USGBC
- Manage the USGBC review process to closure and certification

Our Team has developed a custom, clear, and concise sustainable design and construction project management and process suite of tools to assist project owners and design teams achieve LEED certification. The process has proven to be consistently successful in getting the required sustainable design elements in construction documents, managing the construction process to achieve contractor dependent LEED points, and facilitate and streamline the LEED certification application development, submission, and approval process.

Our experience with these services on our sustainable designed projects has demonstrated that having a single entity be responsible for the entire LEED process as well as commissioning brings value to the costs associated with the parallel tasks, supports the potential for a very successful and streamlined effort towards LEED goals, and that close proximity to the site and owner is a critical success factor.
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JAMES T. POLLARD, AIA, NCARB, LEED AP
Principal in Charge

Mr. Pollard first joined J.D. Smith Associates in 1996 as a project architect. In 2005 James T. Pollard assumed ownership and currently oversees all design and administration at the firm. Mr. Pollard has over 18 years of design and project management experience for both private and public sector projects. His primary focus has been on innovative design of facilities. Mr. Pollard has unique hands-on experience in the field of construction which is valuable for producing schemes that are more feasible and thus financially responsible. His professionalism accompanied with the ability to communicate effectively with owners and contractors contribute to the success of our projects.

Education:

B.Arch - University of Kentucky -1994
Atelier Veneziano Studies Program - Venice Italy - 1993

Professional Certification:

Registered Architect - State of New York - # 028212
Registered Architect - State of Florida - #AR93603
Registered Architect - State of Massachusetts - #30774
LEED AP - Certified Professional
Member of American Institute of Architects
Certified by the National Council of Architectural Registration Boards.

Board Affiliation:

Capital District YMCA
Northeast Parent and Child

Professional Portfolio:

ALCO Development
Schenectady YMCA
Center City
Golds Gym-Guilderland, Clifton Park, Niskayuna, Latham
RPI Student Housing
Mechanicville Public Schools
Lake Pleasant Central School District
Tech Valley Science Center
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RESUMES:

MICHAEL S. GAMACHE, AIA, NCARB, LEED AP
Senior Associate/Senior Architect

Michael Gamache has been with Re4orm Architecture since 1998 and has been responsible for project architect and planning efforts to private, municipal, institutional and educational clients. His experience has in depth knowledge of the New York State Building Code, New York State Education Manual of Planning Standards, design and administering construction of complex, multi-discipline related facility projects for both public and private clients with emphasis on coordination of multi-disciplined professional teams of consultants. His responsibilities includes design build, programming, planning, project design, contract administration, specification writing, scheduling, project development, project close-out and follow-up.

Mr. Gamache is specialized in public building design and has a solid understanding of the process of guidelines for the public bid process. He understands the critical issues involved with delivering projects on time and within budget.

Education:
B.Arch - Norwich University -1995

Professional Certification:
Registered Architect - State of New York # 030652-1
LEED AP - Certified Professional
Member of Eastern New York Chapter American Institute of Architects
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Certified by the National Council of Architectural Registration Boards, Washington D.C.

Professional Portfolio:
845 Broadway Apartments: Design, Project Architect
Vent Fitness Guilderland: Design, Project Architect
Schenectady County Public Library: Design, Project Architect
Center City: Design, Project Architect
Schenectady YMCA: Design, Project Architect
Town of Stamford - Town Hall: Design, Project Architect
Bow Tie Cinema: Project Architect
Gold’s Gym - Clifton Park, Niskayuna & Latham: Design, Project Architect
Albany Medical Center SCC Garage: Design, Project Architect
Depaula Chevrolet: Design, Project Architect
Lia Toyota: Design, Project Architect
Hadley-Luzerne Central Schools: Project Architect
Mechanicville Public Schools: Contract Documents
Argyle Central School: Project Architect
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Luigi Stocchetti
Project Manager

Luigi Stocchetti’s responsibilities with the company have included conceptual design, preparing schematic and design development drawings, generating 3-D conceptual models, animations and preparing and editing construction drawings and documents. Luigi has excellent design and graphic skills and is a great asset to Re4orm Architecture.

Education:
B. Arch - Alferd State - 2010

Professional Portfolio:
ALCO Development: Master Planning, Project Manager
440 State Street - Transfinder: Design, Project Manager
Otto Cadillac: Design, Project Manager
Halfmoon Assisted Living: Design Schematics
Lia Hyundai: Design Schematics
SCCC Student Housing: Conceptual design, 3D Modeling
246 West Avenue Apartments: Conceptual design, 3D Modeling
Fishkill Assisted Living: Conceptual design, 3D Modeling

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Background:

Located at the crossroads of the Jay Street pedestrian way and State Street, this project focuses on reinforcing the urban fabric of downtown Schenectady. The existing 4 story 210,000 square foot mixed use building will include a new 50,000 square foot addition to engage the main city center corner and the transformation of an existing structure to accommodate new energy efficient and sustainable restaurants, retail, office space, and health & fitness facilities. The integration of sustainable building practices will enhance this development’s contributions as a vibrant destination in the city.

The developer has been in contact with NYSERDA to start the process of identifying cost-effective, energy-efficient design measure to be implemented in the design.
Background:

The Board of Trustees of the Schenectady County Public Library has unanimously approved updated expansion plans for the Central Library including a design for a 6,700 square foot children’s area addition. The plan was developed by Re4orm Architecture, and incorporates a 6,700 square foot library expansion to house the new children’s area, renovation of the existing library finishes and furniture and HVAC. This expansion will make additional space available for tutoring rooms, meeting rooms, preschool room, technology services including computer terminals. The first floor and lobby areas will undergo renovation including upgrades to the library’s restrooms.
Background:

Re4orm Architecture was retained by Transfinder Corporation to develop design 440 State Street, Schenectady, NY for their headquarters. Located in downtown Schenectady, this renovation project focuses on reinforcing the urban fabric of downtown Schenectady and adds to downtown’s resurgence and revitalization. The project represents another investment in downtown Schenectady and will bring an increased number of office workers to downtown. The 3 story 30,000 square foot building for Transfinder Corporation that will house 100 employees.
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BOW TIE CINEMA:

Re4orm Architecture were responsible for the design of the exterior façade, Interior lobby ceiling and the construction documents for the buildings shell. The Downtown Revitalization design/build project with BBL Construction involved building a 4-story, 60,200 square foot mixed-use commercial structure on a .64-acre site at State Street and Broadway in downtown Schenectady. There is separate entrances for the cinema and office areas. The building has varying heights, based on the two-story offices built atop the theater structure. A four-story glass tower entrance adds architectural detail to the prominent elevation positioned at the corner of State Street and Broadway. The site was basically developed lot line to lot line. Bow Tie Cinema encompasses almost the entire 27,700 square foot first floor footprint. The six theatres hold 1,253 luxurious seats, state of the art sound system and film projection equipment, and an elegant lobby/concession area. The Galesi Group building offers a prominent cinema entrance and marquee at the corner. The second and third floors offer Class-A office space (33,600 square feet) which is a significant addition to the local market for commercial space.
Background:

Re4orm Architecture provided preliminary design service for a proposed renovation of an existing vacant 4 story, 93,000 square foot building into a 155 bed modern apartment building. Located on Broadway in Schenectady, this project focuses on reinforcing the urban fabric of downtown Schenectady. The renovation of this building with the use of new energy efficient equipment and sustainable materials will help transform another area of downtown Schenectady into a viable urban area. Project was done in conjunction with HCR, HHAP and the use of historic tax credits.
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BASEBALL BALLPARK/HOTEL/MIXED USE:
SCIENCE CENTER OF TECH VALLEY:

Background:

Re4orm Architecture is in the process of providing design services for a LEED Silver certified Science Center of Tech Valley—a dynamic, experiential visitor destination— which will replace the existing outdated Schenectady Museum & Suits-Bueche Planetarium. The new entity will be a hybrid—the intellectual offspring of a traditional collections-based museum and an activity-based science and technology center. The exhibits and activities will reflect the continuum of science and technology in a rich historical context that reaches into the future.

The preliminary design features a soaring, illuminated double-height lobby as the main architectural statement of the façade facing Broadway. The lobby will provide direct access to the multipurpose Planetarium/Domed Immersion Theater, large-format digital theater, Tech Theater, the information and ticketing area, museum shop, large traveling exhibit space, and the Living Lab. Twenty-foot-high ceilings will allow for the creation and rental of immersive, hands-on technologically advanced museum exhibit designs.

Currently fundraising for the project is on hold.
Background:

Re4orm Architecture’s new 3,400 square foot office building is located in Downtown Schenectady to add to the downtown revitalization. The state of the art two story office building is designed to be as energy efficient as possible. Smith Pollar installed measures to reduce energy and operating costs. Some of the features include, high-efficiency windows, high-efficiency lighting w/ individual task lighting, high-efficiency cooling and air handling systems with a digitally controlled management system, high-efficiency kitchen equipment, recycled and low emitting materials, additional building insulation that exceeds New York State requirements and advanced day-lighting strategies in the form of a Kalwall high performance translucent ceiling vault that eliminates the need for electrical lighting during the day on the second floor. The exterior is clad with a Trespa rainscreen system with a base course of architectural CMU.
SCHENECTADY YMCA:

Located in the Center City Building in downtown Schenectady, this project focuses on reinforcing the urban fabric of downtown Schenectady. The existing 4 story 170,000 square foot mixed use building was designed to include the new state of the art 29,000 square foot urban YMCA. The facility incorporates high-efficiency lighting with occupancy controls, high-efficiency HVAC equipment with a digitally controlled building management system served from a central power plant at Proctors Theater, a 9,000sf NCAA regulation Gymnasium, the areas largest YMCA wellness center, a Sauna Room, a Steam Room, 1,800sf Cardio Area, 1,300sf Aerobics Studio, a 700sf Teen Center and a 1,000sf Spinning Studio. Membership has increased dramatically when the new facility was opened. The integration of sustainable building practices will enhance this development’s contributions as a vibrant destination in the city.
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