MARIELA SUÁREZ

ARCHITECTURAL DESIGNER

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Education

University of Puerto Rico Bachelor's Degree in Environmental Design in Architecture (BEDA) Magna Cum Laude - 2023

Skills

AutoCAD

SketchUp

Revit

Lumion

Enscape

Adobe Creative Suite

Photoshop

Illustrator

InDesign

Canva

Architectural Drafting

Construction Documentation

Space Planning

3D Modeling

2D/3D Rendering

Project Management

Highlights

Effective collaborator with architects, engineers, and clients.

Experienced in technical drafting and construction drawings aligned with building code standards.

Skilled at creating high-quality 3D visualizations and presentations.

Highly organized; able to manage deadlines across multiple projects.

Bilingual in Spanish and English; clear and confident communicator.

Overview

Versatile Architectural Designer with 3+ years of experience delivering residential, commercial, institutional, and healthcare projects that vary in scale and complexity. Proficient in managing the entire design process—from site analysis and drafting to 3D visualization and construction documentation—while crafting functional solutions. Strong collaborator with architects, engineers, and contractors to ensure successful project outcomes.

Work Experience

MSDesign Studio | Puerto Rico

2020 - PRESENT

Freelance Environmental Designer

Independently manage the full design process for residential projects, from initial site assessments to client-approved design development. I begin with detailed as-built documentation, then develop spatial proposals tailored to each client's needs. Projects typically involve developing multiple layout options and visual storytelling through high-quality renderings. I remain involved through construction by conducting site inspections and collaborating with contractors to ensure the built result reflects the original design intent.

Arquiteg- Architects & Planners | San Juan, PR 2023 - 2025

CAD Technician / Architect In Training

Worked on a wide range of architectural projects, developing as-built and construction plans, technical drawings, and design proposals. Supported the creation of Scopes of Work, Methods of Repair, cost estimates, and specification documents. Took part in the selection of materials and fixtures in accordance with client expectations and code requirements. Also led the preparation of RFP submissions, including layout design, visual content, and technical documentation across multiple project types.

Additionally, I was involved in historic preservation efforts for notable sites such as the Archivo General de Puerto Rico in San Juan, the Red Palace and Pink House in Old San Juan, and the Museo de la Música in Ponce. Responsibilities included validating FEMA damage reports, performing on-site documentation, and producing technical drawings to support the conservation and rehabilitation of Puerto Rico's architectural heritage.

VRM Studio | San Juan, Puerto Rico

2021 - 2023

Assistant Architectural Designer

Collaborated closely with the lead architect on residential and commercial renovation projects, contributing to each phase of the design process. Responsibilities included conducting site visits, producing accurate as-built drawings, and assisting in the development of schematic designs through curated mood boards, color palettes, material selections, and lighting and furniture proposals. Created multiple layout options tailored to client needs and supported design presentations through 2D plans and 3D visualizations. Actively participated in project coordination to ensure alignment between the design intent, client expectations, and project constraints.