Suman Sorg, FAIA

Principal, *Sorg and Associates, P.C.*



Registration

1980 – Architecture
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NCARB Registered
D.C., MD, VA, KY, FL

Accreditation

American Institute of Architects

Affiliations

PIA Design Committee, Scholarship Committee
American Institute of Architects

Fellows Committee,
American Institute of Architects, D.C. Chapter

Board Member for D.C. Builds
National Building Museum

Former Board Member and Committee Chair for the Urban Design Forum
Washington D.C. Architectural Foundation

Former Commissioner and on the Architectural Review Panel
D.C. Department of Housing and Community Development

Former President
National Organization of Minority Architects

Partial List of Awards

2004 Washingtonian/D.C. AIA Residential Design Award, HGTV Dream Home, Sherwood, Maryland

2003 AIA Honor Award for Urban Design, LeDroit Park Revitalization Initiative, Washington, D.C.

ACCOMPLISHMENTS

Suman Sorg provides Sorg and Associates with over thirty years of design experience. She views each project on its own merits and believes that each building should be seen as part of the urban fabric-sensitive to its surroundings but fully suited to the needs of its occupants. The articulation of a building, its materials and scale must reflect the character and structure of the existing context yet need not be replicating or derivative.

Over the seventeen year history of Sorg and Associates, Suman Sorg has been recognized for her ability to deliver superbly designed projects, evident through her accumulation of fifteen AIA and countless institutional awards. She has received national and international recognition for her creative designs, her successful historic preservation projects, and her technological and design expertise with regard to providing a seamless, secure environment. Her fifteen year relationship with the Department of State keenly reflects her dependability and commitment to excellent client relations. She has served as a jurist for the National American Institute of Architects and has lectured at national symposiums on such topics as historic architectural design in urban settings and on building security systems.

Suman Sorg has successfully incorporated modern technology and security into nationally recognized buildings of civic significance as well as imaginative solutions for buildings that are out of the ordinary but always fulfill program needs. As a D.C. resident for over three decades, she has developed a strong working relationship with various government agencies and commissions including the Historic Preservation Review Board, the National Capitol Planning Commission, the Commission of Fine Arts, the D.C. Department of Public Works, and the National Park Service.

Considered one of this country's up-and-coming architectural forces, Suman Sorg has created innovative designs for diverse civic projects ranging from master plans for the Federal Triangle to U.S. embassy compounds overseas.

REPRESENTATIVE EXPERIENCE

U.S. Embassy Office Compound, Kabul, Afghanistan
15 Acre high security compound containing twelve buildings totaling approximately 120,000 sq. ft. The $142 million design/build project includes offices, housing for 146 staff members, and support buildings for a self-sufficient site. Registered LEED Silver.

U.S. Embassy, Bridgetown, Barbados
New 86,000 sq. ft., $40 million embassy office building compound. The building incorporates the necessary security setbacks, parking, and access controls. Registered LEED Silver.

Egg-Shaped Digesters Facility, Washington, D.C.
$200 million State-of-the-art biosolids treatment facility for the District of Columbia Water and Sewer Authority. Eight 100 ft. high egg-shaped digester tanks sited on the Anacostia River skyline.

Howard University-LeDroit Park Revitalization Initiative, Washington, D.C.
Initiative includes a new town center with 100,000 square feet of retail space, 200,000 square foot Government office building, the development of a recreational and sports facility in McMillan Park, 125,000 square feet of commercial space, a streetscape plan, land use plan, and renovation of 28 existing historic homes and

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2003 Washingtonian/D.C. AIA Residential Design Award, van Sweden Residence, Sherwood, Maryland

2002 AIA Award for Design Excellence, Diplomatic Staff Housing, Bayan, Kuwait

2002 AIA Housing/PIA Award for Community Design, LeDroit Park Revitalization Initiative, Washington, D.C.

2001 AIA Merit Award for Architectural Excellence, LeDroit Park Revitalization Initiative, Washington, D.C.

2000 AIA Honor Award for Architectural Excellence, van Sweden Residence, Sherwood, Maryland

2000 U.S. Department of State's- 2000 Secretary's Small Business Contractor of the Year Award

2000 D.C. Chamber of Commerce- Entrepreneurship Award

1999 AIA Award of Excellence in Historic Resources, Staff Diplomatic Apartments, Paris, France

1999 AIA Citation for Architectural Excellence, LeDroit Park Housing Initiative, Washington, DC

1998 AIA Merit Award for Architectural Excellence, Library of Congress' Coolidge Auditorium, Washington, D.C.

1998 GSA Citation Award, Urban Design Guidelines, P.C. Physical Perimeter & Entrance Security for the Federal Triangle, Washington, D.C.

1998 AIA Residential Design Award- Parkside Mixed-Use Housing, Washington, D.C.

1998 AIA Award of Excellence in Historic Resources, Georgetown Post Office, Washington, D.C.

1996 Administrator's Excellence Award- Small Business Administration nominated by General Service Administration

1995 AIA Award of Excellence in Historic Resources, Lincoln Theater, Washington, D.C.

construction of 14 new homes. (Winner of four AIA awards, including the 2003 AIA Honor Award for Urban Design Award and the 2002 AIA PIA Housing Award)

The Public Welfare Foundation Headquarters, Washington, D.C.
Renovation of 30,000 sq. ft. historic building for 4th largest non-profit in the U.S. Includes conference space, 250-person auditorium, large staff lounge, incorporated state-of-the-art communications, security, and audio-visual systems. Also houses offices, retail shops, and a museum. (Winner of the 2002 Committee of 100 on the Federal City Vision Award and the 2002 Excellence in Construction Award)

Security Guidelines for the Federal Triangle, Washington D.C.
Master plan and security guidelines for the Federal Triangle. (Winner of the 1998 GSA Citation Award)

Diplomatic Staff Housing Complex, Bayan, Kuwait
Master plan and A/E design for 34 townhouses and new 20,000 sq. ft. community center for embassy personnel. Complex incorporated indigenous building materials and architectural design elements, environmentally sensitive site orientation, sunshades, and landscaping to reduce cooling loads to be climatologically appropriate. (Winner of the 2002 AIA Citation Award for Design Excellence)

Mary Graydon Student Center, American University, Washington, D.C.
The 34,000 sq. ft. center evokes a fresh new look, along with new technology, a cyber café, offices, and conference rooms to enhance the congenial gathering of students. The design concept is modern, bold, abstract, and colorful, using simple materials such as birch veneer plywood stained in various shades. (Winner of the Excellence in American School & University Educational and Interior Design Award)

Mary Graydon Student Center Addition, American University, Washington, D.C.
As the second project awarded by the University to the firm, this new three part expansion of the Mary Graydon Student Center is currently under design, and includes a glass-covered addition to serve as the main entry into the student center complex of the University, renovation of the Mary Graydon Center's first floor for additional student lounge areas, and design of a pedestrian mall by enclosing an existing service driveway.

Tax Analysts Headquarters Building, Arlington, VA
Design of 120,000 sq. ft. headquarters, conference center, a convention hotel, residential units, and structured parking on a six acre site in Northern Virginia. Also provided schematic designs and several site plans.

Library of Congress' Coolidge Auditorium Restoration & Renovation,
Washington, D.C.
1500-seat theater, full handicap, interior restoration of all finishes, state-of-the-art audio/visual system. New exterior courtyard addition contains stairs and a elevator tower. Complete restoration project of most famous U.S. recording theater includes all green and reception rooms. (Winner of the 1998 AIA Merit Award for Architectural Excellence)

Environmental Protection Agency Administration Building, Narragansett, RI
The 16,000 sq. ft. addition with a two-story glass atrium, increased natural light, allowing direct sunlight to offices and workstations along the perimeter. Energy efficient use of super-low emissivity glazing, insulated spandrel glass, tinting, and above average wall and roof insulation added long-term value for client.

U.S. Embassy, Paris, France
Historic preservation and modernization of multiple embassy buildings, including the renovation of the two chancery buildings, site perimeter security and renovation of the 60,000 sq. ft. Monceau Annex, and the renovation of the Boulogne Staff Duty Apartments.

1994 GSA's Administrator's Excellence Award- Federal Executive Training Center, Avondale, Maryland

1992 AIA Merit Award for Architectural Excellence, Parkside Mixed-Use Housing, Washington, D.C.

1991 AIA Merit Award for Interior Design, McDonald's Union Station Restaurant, Washington, D.C.

Recent Articles

American Institute of Architects Journal
"Through Applied Expertise, Go Beyond What the Client Expects," April 2004 (discussion with Suman Sorg)

The Washington Post
"An Alley That Turns a Corner In Urban Design," March 7, 2004 (Design Center West)

Interior Digest
"Indian Guest," Spring 2004 (van Sweden Residence)

Home & Design, "Profile, Suman Sorg," Fall 2003

Residential Architects, "modern, historical, public, private, chaos, quiet," August 2003 (Cover Story)

Architecture, "Barnacles, Kudzu, and the Big Firm," May 2003

Principal's Report, "Profile: Suman Sorg, Sorg & Assoc., PC, Architects," January 2003

Architectural Record, "Residential Houses by Water," July 2002 (van Sweden Residence)

Architectural Record, "Size affects Firm Culture," June 2002 (Sorg and Associates)

Education

Master of Architecture
Cornell University
(Thesis Pending)

Bachelor of Architecture
Howard University, 1970

Staff Diplomatic Apartment Complex Renovation and Restoration, Paris, France
Renovation of 1954 International Style apartment buildings to be used for Staff Diplomatic housing, approximately 60,000 sq. ft. Received American Institute of Architects Washington D.C. Chapter's 1999 Award of Excellence. (Winner of the 1999 AIA Award of Excellence in Historic Resources)

U.S. District Courthouse, Greenbelt, MD
Courthouse modernization of existing office space into two new courtrooms, judge's chambers, and detention center. Used GSA U.S. Courts Design Guide PBS Facilities Standard and the U.S. Marshal's design requirements.

Materials Testing Laboratory, Washington, D.C.
New 40,000 sq. ft. testing facility for the D.C. Office of Property Management. Includes offices and various paving materials labs. Additionally, provided master plan locating five other Department of Transportation facilities on a 7.2 acre site.

Anacostia Senior High School, Washington, D.C.
First new school to be built in the District of Columbia in over thirty years. The approximately 192,000 square foot building will be designed to accommodate an anticipated enrollment of 1000 students from grades 9th through 12th. Program developed for outreach to the community includes an auditorium, outdoor stadium, computer lab, and gymnasium.

Kennedy Recreational Center, Washington, D.C.
17,000 sq. ft. neighborhood sports and recreational complex that serves as a safe haven for community's at-risk children. Includes tot lots, tennis and basketball courts, baseball field, social and educational facilities.

Ft. McNair Fitness Center, Washington, D.C.
47,000 sq. ft. recreational and fitness facility designed for up to 1,200 patrons a day. Complements campus' historic architecture. Registered LEED Silver.

National Museum of American History Cafeteria, Washington, D.C.
New 20,000 sq. ft. cafeteria and kitchen areas incorporate a "Main Street Cafe" style servery, expanded general dining area and a modified kitchen to support the new food service concept. The total seating capacity of the new cafeteria is 620 seats and has historically received over 6 million visitors per year.

James van Sweden Residence, Sherwood, Maryland
Internationally-renowned landscape architect commissioned this new 4,000 sq. ft. weekend home on a six-acre site overlooking the Chesapeake Bay. The site of the main house and the smaller guest dependency forms a sheltered courtyard for year-round outdoor living. (Winner of the 2003 Washingtonian/DC AIA Residential Design Award and the 2000 Honor Award for Architectural Excellence)

Phillips Row, Washington, D.C.
New infill development that occupies nearly an entire city square. Seamlessly integrates 14 new townhouses into the residential neighborhood. The design created four distinct clusters of homes, each representing stylized translations of Georgetown's predominant architectural periods. The project also included the adaptive re-use of the venerable Phillip's School into 12 apartments. (Winner of the 2003 Residential Architect Grand Award)

Federal Executive Training Center, Avondale, MD
Design of the 17 acre training facility for the General Services Administration, 160,000 sq. ft., which includes a 500-seat theater, cafeteria, offices, as well as large civic open spaces.

Lincoln Theatre, Washington, D.C.
Sorg's preservation architects guided the restoration of the entire 1,600 seat theater's interior finishes and furnishings. (Winner of the 1994 AIA Award of Excellence in Historic Resources)

New East Capital Hope IV, Washington, D.C.
Hope IV that includes 90,000 sq. ft. of retail space, new single-family home, townhouses, and apartments, a new 150-unit Senior housing complex, a new day care center, and a community building.

Kentucky Courts, Washington, D.C.
Located in Capitol Hill, this development consists of 40 units of both a mix market rate and low income housing.

Bradenton Village, Hope VI, Bradenton, FL
Master site plan and housing that includes 220 residential units. The firm will also be involved with the future design of a community center. In response to the hot Florida climate, each housing style is designed with overhanging roofs, recessed porches, and trellises.

Paradise Manor Apartments, Washington, D.C.
Interior and exterior rehabilitation of a 15 building, 653 unit apartment complex, neighboring convenience store, as well as the design of a new daycare center and community center for these residents.

Parkside, Washington, D.C.
Sorg designed new mixed use community on 26 acres of land consisting of 162 units of single and multi-family housing, a community learning center, recreational facilities, and retail, commercial and medical facilities.

2125 S Street Conversion to Apartment Building, Washington, D.C.
Conversion of the former Holton Arms School site into eight condominium apartments, along with the design/build of new luxury townhouses adjacent to the former school.

New 400 Room Hotel at the Yale Laundry Site, Washington, D.C.
Renovation of several Historic buildings and new construction of a 13 story Hotel. Two new towers will flank the original laundry, built in 1902, and its annex built in 1928, which together will house the main lobby, a restaurant, meeting rooms, and several shops. A major tenet of the design concept is to incorporate one industrial characteristic of the existing building into the new construction. Further, the design seeks to create an intricate presence at the street level, varying materials and massing of the building's base.

Job Corps Dormitory, Washington, D.C.
Site planning, A/E design and construction documents, cost estimates, specifications and construction administration for 70 new units, 20,000 sq. ft. male dormitory for the D.C. Job Corps Training Center.

Federal Executive Training Center, Avondale, MD Modernization of 17 acre residential/training facility for the General Services Administration,. 160,000 sq. ft

Bachelor Enlisted Quarters, Andrews Air Force Base, Camp Springs, MD
Design and construction documents for the demolition of an existing three-story building and preparation for the design/build of a three-story, 28,200 sq ft. military housing facility for 80 persons.