



Education

- Bachelor of Architecture, 1966; University of Notre Dame
- Catholic University - City and Regional Planning - 1966-1968

Registrations/Certifications

- 1969 Architect - Indiana; also, CA, DC, FL, MD, MS, NC, NY, VA, WA, NCARB
- LEED Accredited Professional, 2004



Waterfront Station II



Building IJ, The Parks at Walter Reed



Park Van Ness

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Prior to joining Torti Gallas, Mr. Torti was affiliated with NASA at the Goddard Space Flight Center and the National Capital Planning Commission, where he worked on numerous designs to rebuild Washington after the 1968 riots. He was a Principal in an architectural firm in the Midwest and was the director of a non-profit housing and community development corporation. Mr. Torti has been on the teaching staff at the Catholic University of America and has served as a Visiting Professor at Harvard University, Ohio University, the University of Maryland and at Montgomery College.

Selected Project Experience

Waterfront Station II, Washington, DC - This diverse development is complementary to its surrounding community and furthers the goals of the Southwest Neighborhood Small Area Plan. With 443 new residential units, 22,500 SF of retail, a 10,000 SF black box theater and parking for 220 cars, Waterfront Station II will be a highly livable community that supports the District of Columbia’s goals of mixed-income housing, sustainability, walkability, and economic viability.

Building IJ, The Parks at Walter Reed, Washington, DC - Torti Gallas is part of the winning team selected by the District of Columbia to redevelop the 67-acre former Walter Reed Army Medical Center site. Building IJ is a new mixed-use building located at the head of the Village Green in the Town Center of The Parks at Walter Reed. With this prominent location Building IJ is an important component of this gateway into the campus and a hub for the new development and surrounding community. The building consists of 300 residential units above street level retail and state-of-the-art services and amenities, and below grade parking for 950 cars. The project is designed to achieve a minimum of LEED Silver certification.

Building VU, The Parks at Walter Reed, Washington, DC - This new mixed-use building is located adjacent to two historic buildings at the north side of the site and a historic Fire Station to the west. The building contains 301 apartments, 18,000 sf of ground floor retail, and a connected 89-unit condominium building that is connected via a below-grade 2-level garage. The project is designed to achieve LEED Silver certification.

Park Van Ness, Washington, DC - A new 272 unit mixed-use development which will be a catalyst for revitalization in the Van Ness neighborhood. The 11 stories of prime view residential units on the back overlook Rock Creek Park, while 6 stories on the front maintain a sensitivity to the character of Connecticut Avenue. The project also includes 220 below grade parking spaces and 10,000 SF of neighborhood friendly retail.

360° H Street, Washington, DC - A new residential project that is transforming a vacant site into a vibrant mixed use development along the City’s re-emerging H Street Corridor. The new building includes 212 residential units over a 41,000 sf grocery store and 5,000 sf of other retail, 270 below grade parking spaces. Amenities include a large landscaped courtyard and a roof terrace with views of the Capitol.

Press House, Washington, DC - This mixed-use complex brings upscale sophistication to within walking distance of Washington’s Union Station. The project includes 367 rental units, a 175-room hotel, 25,000 SF of office, 25,000 SF of retail, below grade parking and 230 bicycle parking spaces, as well as state-of-the-art amenities.

Kenyon Square, Washington, DC - 7-story, 153-unit condominium building with Ground Floor Retail and three-story, below-grade, structured parking built partially above underground train tunnels (drilled) for Metrorail System in Washington, DC.

**John Francis Torti, FAIA, LEED AP BD+C
Principal**



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Current projects include the revitalization of the former Walter Reed Medical Center, New Rochelle, NY Concept Plan for high density, the Twinbrook Metro in the Washington DC area, the Alice Griffith Neighborhood in San Francisco, and the Nef Resort in Bodrum, Turkey. Torti Gallas takes its' responsibility seriously to understand the shifting patterns of society and how people will live in a changing world in applying their skills to make a better world.

With offices in Washington DC, Silver Spring, Tampa, Philadelphia, Los Angeles and Istanbul, Torti Gallas has focused their practice on TransNational Urbanism, transit-oriented mixed-use architecture and mixed-income neighborhoods. Mr. Torti and his partners have built a firm that understands the inextricable tie between urban design and architecture for clients and communities. Torti Gallas has been the recipient of over 100 national and international design awards in the last 15 years, including 94 LEED Platinum Certificates, the ULI Award for Excellence for Columbia Heights, the ULI Impact Award for the Capper Carrollsburg Neighborhood in Washington, and CNU Charter Awards for Wyandanch, NY, a TOD in the poorest neighborhood on Long Island, and The Corridor Plan for South Bend, Indiana.

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Mr. Torti's professional affiliations and education include:

- American Institute of Architects College of Fellows
- Member of the National Board of the Congress for the New Urbanism
- Member of the Advisory Council for the School of Architecture at the University of Notre Dame
- US Green Building Council LEED AP BD+C
- The Paul H. Kea Medal for Leadership by the Potomac Valley Chapter of the American Institute of Architects in 2007
- University of Notre Dame Bachelor of Architecture
- Catholic University of America Graduate Studies in City and Regional Planning

A selected listing of Mr. Torti's recent speaking venues includes:

- American Institute of Architects
- Urban Land Institute
- Congress for the New Urbanism
- Multi Housing World Info Expo
- National Apartment Association
- National Association of Home Builders International Builders' Show
- The Mayor's Institute on City Design: Northeast
- National Conference of the American Planning Association
- Multi-Family Housing Conference
- University of Notre Dame
- University of Maryland
- Andrews University
- University of Miami
- Harvard University