



Laura Mears AIA

Grounding creativity with rationality, Laura brings a balanced perspective to the studio. Her passion for the artistic and the analytical is what led her to the pursuit of architecture. Seeing each project as a puzzle to solve, her approach to design is extremely thorough and takes every angle into account. She is at her best when collaborating with others and sees great value in cultivating relationships. Whether working together in the studio, with clients, or the design and construction team, Laura's positive attitude fosters cooperation to find innovative solutions for any problem and inspires trust in her leadership abilities. Her background in design-build brings a unique understanding of construction that she taps into when developing details and considering constructability of the project. With a desire to gain well-rounded knowledge and experience, she has designed architecture and interiors for commercial office, restaurant, mixed-use, multi-family, high-end residential, adaptive re-use, and historic preservation.

Education and Community Involvement

B.S. Architecture, University of Virginia 2004

M. Architecture, University of Colorado Denver, 2013 with Design Build Certificate

Licensed Architect: State of Colorado

AIA, NCARB Member

AIA Colorado Business of Architecture Steering Committee, 2018

Baker Historic Neighborhood Zoning Committee, 2017- Present

Mentor for Architectural Registration Exam Candidates, 2015 - Present

Colorado Building Workshop - Ridgway Performing Arts Stage, 2013

Design Build Bluff - Raine House, 2012

Professional Experience

DASA, Dailey Janssen Architects, Sopher Sparn Architects (previously Sopher Architects), Venture Architecture

Project Experience

Commercial Office

Circa Building - Denver, CO

171,000 SF

Granite Place at Village Center - Greenwood Village, CO

300,000 SF

Mikron Expansion - Centennial, CO

20,000 SF

Open Studio Architecture 2.0 - Denver, CO

17,000 SF

Cherry Creek Mixed-Use Office Building BTS - Denver CO

145,000 SF

Partner's Group North American Headquarters Corporate Campus - Broomfield, CO

211,000 SF

Corporate Interiors

Extraction Oil & Gas - Denver, CO*	48,000 SF
Mikron North American Headquarters - Centennial, CO*	68,500 SF
Colliers International Denver - Denver, CO*	12,000 SF
Root Building Lobby - Denver, CO*	2,500 SF
McWhinney - Denver, CO	28,450 SF
HomeAdvisor HQ - Denver, CO	77,850 SF

Restaurant

Sloan's Lake Tap & Burger - Denver, CO*	5,500 SF
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Mixed Use / Multi Family

S*PARK Masterplan- Boulder, CO*	[20 buildings] 680,000 SF
Washington Village - Boulder, CO*	[5 buildings] 72,000 SF

Residential

Private Residence - S. Beach Rd. - Jupiter Island, FL*	12,000 SF
Private Residence - Sandturtle - Jupiter Island, FL*	[4 buildings] 20,000 SF
Private Residence - Renlec - Jupiter Island, FL*	[5 buildings] 25,000 SF
Private Residence - Worth Ave. - Palm Beach, FL*	7,000 SF
Private Residence - 7th Ave. - Boulder, CO*	5,000 SF

*Previous to Open Studio Architecture