

# SUSAN T. RODRIGUEZ FAIA



Susan Rodriguez began an independent practice in 2016, combining more than thirty years of design leadership creating buildings and spaces for cultural, educational and civic institutions with her passionate belief in the power of architecture to effect change and improve the quality of life for all. Prior to creating her own firm, she was a founding Partner and design principal in Ennead Architects (formerly Polshek Partnership) recipient of the NYC AIA 2012 Medal of Honor. Ms. Rodriguez is known for excellence in the design of buildings in the public realm with a focus on projects for cultural, educational, scientific and governmental institutions. She has received numerous awards for design excellence, among them, National AIA Honor Awards, New York State AIA Awards, New York City AIA Awards and American Architecture Awards from the Chicago Athenaeum, as well as many local and regional awards. She is the recipient of the 2016 Design Leader Award from Architectural Record's Women in Architecture program.

Ms. Rodriguez's work focuses upon the essential integration of exterior and interior space and the vital unity of site and program. Whether rural landscape or dense urban context, she seeks to create an architecture that is fused with its surroundings and is driven by the logic of the program. Her design process explores the use of innovative materials, technologies and systems to activate powerful formmaking. Underscoring the significance of the environment and architecture's role in its preservation, her designs are models for the application of sustainable design strategies.

As an extension of her professional work, Ms. Rodriguez actively promotes the importance of design in the public realm, having been a long term board member of the Architectural League of New York and Art Works Projects: Art + Design for Human Rights. She lectures frequently on her work and has taught numerous design studios at Cornell, Columbia and City College. Additionally, she serves on the boards and building committees of the Collegiate School and the Chewonki Foundation. Ms. Rodriguez received a Bachelor of Architecture degree from Cornell University's College of Architecture, Art and Planning, where she has served on the Dean's Advisory Council and the University's Board of Trustees. She received a Masters degree in Architecture and Building Design from Columbia University. She is a national peer for the General Services Administration and a Fellow of the American Institute of Architects.

## Education

1985  
Columbia University  
Graduate School of Architecture,  
Planning and Preservation  
Master of Science in Advanced Architectural  
Design

1982  
Cornell University  
College of Architecture, Art and Planning,  
Bachelor of Architecture

## Registrations

Connecticut, District of Columbia, Indiana,  
Iowa, Maine, Massachusetts, Michigan, New  
Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, North  
Carolina, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, Vermont  
NCARB

## Professional Experience

2016-present  
Susan T. Rodriguez | Architecture • Design  
1985-2016  
Ennead Architects (formerly Polshek  
Partnership)  
1983-1984  
Shope Reno Wharton Associates  
1982-1983  
Skidmore, Owings & Merrill, NY

## Academic Appointments

2016, 2010, 2007, 1996  
Visiting Critic  
Cornell University  
College of Architecture, Art and Planning  
  
2003, 1990, 1992  
Visiting Critic  
Columbia University Graduate School of  
Architecture, Planning and Preservation  
  
1988-1991  
Visiting Critic, CUNY City College  
School of Architecture and  
Environmental Studies

## SELECTED PROJECTS

### SUSAN T RODRIGUEZ | ARCHITECTURE • DESIGN

2022 Re-Imagining Central Park's Lasker Pool and Rink, New York, NY  
2021 Addition to the Colby Museum of Art, Colby College, Waterville, ME  
2020 Center for Human Ecology, College of the Atlantic, Bar Harbor, ME  
2020 Waterville Downtown Arts Center, Colby College, Waterville, ME  
2019 Bicentennial Carillon, Indiana University, Bloomington, IN  
2020 Chewonki Girls' Camp Cabins, Chewonki Foundation, Wiscasset, ME  
2020 Hudson River Residence, Garrison, NY  
2018 Veterans Memorial, Vinalhaven, ME  
2016 Chipakata Children's Academy, 14 Plus Foundation, Zambia, Africa  
'97-'16 Fiddlehead Island Cabins, Vinalhaven, ME

Work as Design Partner, Ennead Architects (formerly Polshek Partnership)

## MUSEUMS

2018 The Eskenazi Museum of Art Renovation, Indiana University, Bloomington, IN  
2015 The Westmoreland Museum of American Art, Greensburg, PA  
'05-'15 Asheville Art Museum, Asheville, NC (unbuilt)  
2009 Center for Civil and Human Rights Competition, Atlanta, GA (competition finalist)  
2003- Brooklyn Museum: Great Hall, Phases I-III, Hall of the Americas,  
Kevorkian Gallery and Beaux Arts Court Renovation and Elizabeth A. Sackler Center for  
Feminist Art  
2003 Smith College Museum of Art, Northampton, MA  
2001 Smithsonian Institution, Cooper-Hewitt National Design Museum, Drue Heinz  
Study Center for Drawings and Prints and Henry Luce Study Room for American Art,  
New York, NY  
1998 Mashantucket Pequot Museum and Research Center, Mashantucket, CT  
1998 Smithsonian Institution, National Museum of the American Indian Cultural Resources  
Center, Suitland, MD  
1990 Ohio Wesleyan University Fine Arts Center, Delaware, Ohio (unbuilt)  
1986 Verdun Peace Museum Competition, Verdun, France (competition finalist)

### Visiting Juror:

Boston Architectural Center  
City College  
Columbia University  
Cornell University  
North Carolina State University  
New Jersey Institute of Technology  
Pratt Institute  
Parsons School of Design  
Washington University in St. Louis  
Yale University  
1983-present

### Professional Affiliations

Cornell University  
Board of Trustees  
Buildings and Properties Committee  
2013-2017  
College of Architecture, Art and Planning  
Dean's Advisory Council  
2000-present  
Co-chair: 2005-2010  
President's Council for Cornell Women  
2008-2016

Collegiate School  
Board of Trustees  
Building Committee  
2013-2018

Chewonki Foundation  
Board of Trustees  
Co-Chair, Land and Buildings Committee  
2009-present

The Architectural League of New York  
Board of Directors  
1999-present  
Vice President for Architecture  
2002-2006  
Executive Committee  
2002-present

General Services Administration  
National Peer  
2008-present

### Selected Lectures

2019  
Keynote Speaker at Festival  
of Isreali Architecture  
Architalx: OVERLAY  
2018  
Design Norumbega, A Point of VIEW:  
Architecture at the Intersection of  
Culture, Place, and Program  
AIA / Women's Breakfast, 40 Years IN  
Architecture: A Work in Progress  
2016  
AIA / New England, Keynote  
Speaker, New and Renewed  
2015  
Municipal Arts Society, MAS  
Summit, Urban Intersections  
AIA / CT, Keynote Speaker, Current Work  
2013  
North Carolina State School of Design,  
Intersection(s): Current Work  
AIA North Carolina, Keynote  
Speaker, Current Work

### ACADEMIC

2016 Massachusetts College of Art and Design, Design + Media Center, Boston, MA  
2016 Vermont College of Fine Arts, Master Plan, Faculty Residence and Exhibition Hall,  
Montpelier, VT  
2015 Indiana University, Global and International Studies Building, Bloomington, IN  
1998 - Bard Graduate Center for Studies in the Decorative Arts, Design History, Material Culture:  
2010 Academic Building, Residential Hall, Gallery Building, Academic Building Expansion, New  
York, NY  
2010 Westchester Community College, Gateway Center for English as a Second Language,  
State University of New York, Valhalla, NY  
2008- The Cathedral School at The Cathedral of St. John the Divine:  
Master Plan and Phased Renovation and Addition, New York, NY  
2008 Intermediate / High School, District 43, New York City Public Schools,  
Staten Island, NY  
2007 Columbia University, Academic and Residential Complex, New York, NY (unbuilt)  
2004 Sarah Lawrence College, Monika A. and Charles A. Heimbold Jr. Visual Arts Center,  
Bronxville, NY  
2003 High School for Law Enforcement and Public Safety, New York City Public Schools,  
Jamaica, Queens, NY  
2003 Smith College, Brown Fine Arts Center, Northampton, MA  
2000- Lycée Français de New York, New York, NY  
2000 University of California Los Angeles,  
Morgan Center Intercollegiate Athletics Department and Hall of Fame, Los Angeles, CA  
1990 Ohio Wesleyan University, Fine Arts Center, Delaware, OH (unbuilt)

### INSTITUTIONS

2020 Harrisburg Federal Courthouse, Harrisburg, PA  
2015 Staten Island Courthouse, St. George, Staten Island, NY  
2013- Cathedral Church of St. John the Divine, Crypt Arts Center and North Transept  
Renovation, New York, NY  
2013 The New York Botanical Garden, Parking Structure, Pfizer Plant Research Laboratory  
International Plant Science Center, Herbarium and LuEsther T. Mertz Botanical Library,  
Lord and Lady Britton Rotunda and Digital Imaging Center, Bronx, NY  
2005 Prescott Farm Audubon Center, Laconia, NH  
1996 Decaux Street Furniture, New York, NY  
1992 Comprehensive Signage Program for Central Park, New York, NY

### PERFORMING ARTS

2017 Abrons Art Center at Henry Street Settlement, New York, NY  
2009 Frank Sinatra School of the Arts, New York City Public Schools, Astoria, Queens, NY

### RESIDENTIAL

2010 General Theological Seminary, Chelsea Enclave Residential Building, New York, NY  
2009 The Schermerhorn, Common Ground Community, Brooklyn, NY  
2002 Orphanos/Jeffers Residence, Martha's Vineyard, MA  
2001 Bard Graduate Center for Studies in the Decorative Arts, Design, History and Material  
Culture, Bard Hall Dormitory, New York, NY  
1999 Wing Tai Development, Cairnhill Circle Development, Singapore (unbuilt)  
1995 Island Cabin, Vinalhaven, ME  
1991 The Cove Club, Battery Park City, New York, NY

### PROGRAMMING / MASTER PLANNING

2015 Sidwell Friends School, Comprehensive Master Plan, Washington, D.C.  
'08-'12 Lycée Français de New York Master Plan, New York, NY  
2007 Cathedral School of the Cathedral Church of St. John the Divine, Master Plan,  
New York, NY  
2007 Columbia University, Academic and Residential Complex, New York, NY  
2005 Brandeis University, Safra Center for the Arts Programming / Planning Study, Waltham, MA  
2004 Harvard University, Peabody Museum Programming / Planning Study, Cambridge, MA  
2002 The Hispanic Society Museum Programming / Feasibility Study, New York, NY  
2001 The New York Botanical Garden, Landscape and Architecture Master Plan, Bronx, NY  
1999 Cathedral of Saint John the Divine Master Plan, New York, NY  
1994 Central Park Children's Zoo Master Plan, New York, NY  
1988 Hastings-on-Hudson Riverfront Development Master Plan, Hastings-on-Hudson, NY

2012

Washington University, Sam Fox  
School of Architecture, St Louis  
Trust Lecture: Current Work

2011

Cornell University AAP Lecture  
Series, Reciprocal Illumination

## SELECTED AWARDS

2016 Architectural Record, Women in Architecture, Design Leader Award  
2012 AIA NYC, Medal of Honor, Ennead Architects  
2004 Cooper-Hewitt National Design Award, Polshek Partnership, Architects  
1992 AIA National Architecture Firm Award, Polshek Partnership Architects  
**Mashantucket Pequot Museum and Research Center**  
2000 AIA/National Honor Award, Architecture, 2000  
2000 AIA/Connecticut, Award of Honor, 2000  
1999 AIA/New England, Award of Merit, 1999  
1999 AIA/New York State, Award of Merit, 1999  
1998 The Chicago Athenaeum, American Architecture Award, 1998  
**Smith College, Brown Fine Arts Center**  
2003 AIA/Massachusetts, Honor Award 2003  
**Sarah Lawrence College, Heimbold Visual Arts Center**  
2008 AIA/NYC Building Type Award, Design Honor Award, Educational Facility  
2008 AIA/NYC, Building Type Award, Design Merit Award, Sustainability  
2005 AIA/New York State, Honor Award  
2005 AIA/National COTE, Top Ten Green Buildings  
**Elizabeth A. Sackler Center for Feminist Art, Brooklyn Museum**  
2009 SARA/ National Design Award, Interiors  
2009 AIA NYC, Award of Merit  
2009 AIA New York State, Citation for Design  
**Common Ground Ground Community / Actor's Fund of America**  
2012 SARA / National, Design Award  
2011 BSA (Boston Society of Architects), John M. Clancy Award  
2011 AIA/New York State, Award of Merit  
2011 AIA/National, Housing Award  
2011 SARA / NY, Design Award  
2005 AIA/NYC Housing Award of Merit  
**Frank Sinatra School of the Arts**  
2012 AIA/NYC, Award of Merit  
2011 SARA / National Design Award  
2010 The Chicago Atheneum: The American Architecture Award  
2010 AIA/NYS, Award of Merit  
2010 SARA / NY Design Award  
**Westmoreland Museum of American Art**  
2016 The Chicago Atheneum: The American Architecture Award  
2016 SARA / NY Design Award  
**Massachusetts College of Art and Design, Design and Media Center**  
2017 SARA / NY Design Award  
2016 Boston Society of Architects Educational Award  
**Chipakata Children's Academy**  
2016 AIA / NY Honor Award  
2016 SARA / NY Design Award  
2016 AIA / New York State, Award of Merit  
2016 Architizer Award, Impact Award  
**Lycée Français de New York**  
2018 SARA / NY Design Award  
2015 Beverly Willis Foundation Award  
2004 Upper East Side Historic District, Best New Building  
2004 AIA New York State, Honor Award







