

## **Chelsea D. Holcomb**

Interior Designer, Project Manager

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### **EDUCATION**

#### **Master of Architecture**

University of Oklahoma

2019 – May 2021

GPA: 4.0

#### **Bachelor of Fine Arts**

Interior Design

University of Central Oklahoma

2006 – 2010

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### **ACADEMIC EXPERIENCE**

#### **Teaching Assistant**

University of Oklahoma, Christopher C. Gibbs College of Architecture, Spring 2021

Course: Methods VI

Faculty Advisor: Dr. Francesco Cianfarani

- Create lecture material and record video lectures.
- Make quizzes to coordinate with course material and assess student comprehension.
- Grade student work, provide critiques and offer student support.
- Maintain and upload posts of lectures, grades, announcements, and discussion boards on Canvas.
- Manage breakout rooms within virtual class sessions.

#### **Graduate Assistant**

University of Oklahoma, Christopher C. Gibbs College of Architecture, Fall 2020

Course: Methods V

Faculty Advisor: Dr. Lee Fithian

- Supported faculty with journal article review, provided feedback and suggested edits according to journal submission criteria.
- Assisted with grading and Canvas support.

#### **Graduate Research Assistant**

University of Oklahoma, Christopher C. Gibbs College of Architecture, Spring 2020

Faculty Advisors: Professor Marjorie Callahan, Professor René Peralta

- Collected student research reports of women's prisons; edited collection into a cohesive article with a consistent style.
- Submitted article to Journal of Architectural Education for consideration.

#### **Student Mentor**

University of Michigan, Taubman College

Advisor: Dr. Irene Hwang

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**ACADEMIC AWARDS**

2020-2021	Patricia L. Eidson Scholarship Recipient
2020-2021	Oklahoma City Community Foundation Scholarship Recipient
2020-2021	Dean Charles W. Graham Scholarship Recipient
2010	University of Central Oklahoma Design Excellence Award
2010	President's Honor Roll
2009	Dean's Honor Roll
2009	Charles Evans Studio Student Designer
2008	Presidents Honor Roll

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**COMPETITIONS**

2021	ULI Competition
2019	COTE Competition

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**PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE****Project Manager**

Troy D. Rhodes & Company, 2013 – Present

- Manage the design team from conceptual design through construction administration.
- Create architecture and interior designs.
- Establish budgets and project schedules.
- Collaborate with clients, consultants, and contractors to see projects through from programming to occupancy.

**Senior Interior Designer**

Troy D. Rhodes & Company, 2011 – 2013

- Managed the interior design team and worked on architectural design and documentation. Worked with engineers and consultants during the design phase to provide seamless integration of systems within the building.

**Interior Designer**

Troy D. Rhodes & Company, 2010 – 2011

- Supported the architectural team by creating interior design, specifications, construction documents, submittal reviews, and SketchUp models.
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**CREDENTIALS**

2015 NCIDQ Certification # 30931

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**PROFESSIONAL AWARDS**

2018	AIA People's Choice Award – Azalon Hair Studio and Boutique
2016	AIA People's Choice Award – R.T. Williams Library
2014	AIA People's Choice Award – J.D. and Mary West Science Laboratory

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## **NOTABLE PROJECTS**

### **Southern Nazarene University R.T. Williams Library, Bethany, OK**

Project Manager and Lead Designer

For this dated and underused building, I created a space for students to gather, be at leisure, and connect to campus support staff. I designed an exterior canopy to better orient the building to its surroundings and be an inviting beacon drawing in students. By adding a gathering space and café and relocating administrative offices to the library, this building has become a campus hub.

### **Southern Nazarene University Webster Commons, Bethany, OK**

Project Manager and Lead Designer

For this dining facility renovation, my goal was to enhance the student dining experience and create an environment that encouraged community. The transformation provided an updated atmosphere that achieved its goal of keeping students on campus for dining.

### **Southern Nazarene University J.D. and Mary West Science Laboratory, Bethany, OK**

Interior Designer

This 26,600 square foot university science facility houses biology and chemistry laboratories, several research labs, and ancillary support spaces. Through an open floor plan and heavy implementation of observation windows on interior walls, I sought to create an environment where science felt accessible. I collaborated on the design of the exterior curtain wall system that mimics a helix, designing the detailed connections that allow the wall to gently articulate, symbolizing the work done within.

### **Bethany First Church of the Nazarene Sanctuary Renovation, Bethany, OK**

Project Manager and Lead Designer

Remodeled a 1960s building with deteriorating finishes and antiquated equipment, providing an updated and more intimate experience for the congregation. The project included a complete overhaul of all theatrical equipment; a stage expansion; and new seating, lighting, and finishes.

### **The Halls Pizza Kitchen, Oklahoma City, OK**

Project Manager and Lead Designer

A tire factory previously occupied this Midtown district historic renovation of a 1920s industrial warehouse. Beginning with a structurally compromised shell, the building was reinforced to add a rooftop terrace that allows for seating with views of downtown and rooftop gardening. A commercial kitchen with an exposed wood-fire pizza oven is the focal point of the dining room.

### **City of Woodward City Hall, Woodward, OK**

Project Manager and Lead Designer

This small-town, Main Street City Hall involved incorporating adjoining buildings, one built in the 1960s as a bank and the other a 1920s movie theater. This adaptive reuse project resulted in the relocation of all city offices to a single building.

**The Hill at Bricktown, Oklahoma City, OK**

Interior Designer

These urban townhomes are in the Deep Deuce district of Oklahoma City. Here, I assisted with creating multi-level floorplans designed to meet fair housing requirements for accessibility and helped with construction administration.

**Mid-America Christian University Dining Facility, Oklahoma City, OK**

Project Manager and Lead Designer

This renovation encouraged on-campus dining for both resident and commuter students, promoting a sense of community. A new food service program expanded food offerings, and the redesign showcased those offerings to create an engaging environment in the expanded dining room.

**Mid-America Christian University Science Laboratory, Oklahoma City, OK**

Project Manager and Interior Designer

The design retrofits a science laboratory and autoclave in an existing classroom space. New testing equipment, fume hoods, chemical storage, and mechanical and electrical upgrades were carefully organized to create an all-purpose location for the biology and chemistry departments. I coordinated closely with the laboratory consultant and mechanical and electrical engineers to allow for increased loads on the building.

**Southern Plaza Retirement Center, Bethany, OK**

Interior Designer

The design includes adding a building for sixty-six assisted living units and twenty-six memory care units, with a four-story storm shelter to accommodate the entire population of Southern Plaza. The expansion's interiors were designed with the input of residents and staff to create a real home away from home.

**Bethany Public Schools Early Childhood Center and Storm Shelter, Bethany, OK**

Interior Designer

This 9,067 square foot Early Childhood Center incorporates two storm shelters, a cafeteria, classrooms, and an outdoor playground. Space planning, finishes, and lighting were developed in coordination with teachers and engineers.

**Bethany Public Schools S.T.E.M. Building, Bethany, OK**

Interior Designer

This project was part of the 2015 Bethany Public Schools bond issue. The building provides the school with a new space to support its S.T.E.M. programs for middle and high school students.

**Bethany Public Schools Performing Arts Center, Bethany, OK**

Interior Designer

The project is an expansion of the existing performing arts center. The new design allows for additional seating, a stage expansion, and the installation of a fly loft. New technology, equipment, seating, and finishes were designed to enhance the viewer experience.

**Oklahoma City Church of the Nazarene Cole Community Center, Oklahoma City, OK**

Project Manager and Interior Designer

The new facility boasts a 10,000 square foot multi-purpose gymnasium and banquet space, and a large kitchen to serve over 700 guests. The interiors incorporate locker rooms, public gathering spaces, and classrooms.

**City of Warr Acres Fire Station, Warr Acres, OK**

Interior Designer

The new facility includes three apparatus bays, support space, living quarters, offices, and a kitchen. Space planning, interior finishes, millwork design, and lighting design, were all coordinated with the client and engineers.

**City of Warr Acres Police Station, Warr Acres, OK**

Interior Designer

This new facility relocated the police station. The interior design included carefully chosen materials to create a secure environment.

**City of Warr Acres City Hall, Warr Acres, OK**

Interior Designer

This expansion to the City Hall created additional office space and new courtroom spaces served by upgraded systems. The renovation allows for new interior finishes and lighting.

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**VOLUNTEER WORK**

**Volunteer Teacher**

Rosary Catholic School, 2019

Course: Introduction to Architecture and Design

Presented a semester-long overview of architectural history.

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**PROFESSIONAL SKILLS**

Project Management

Interior Design

Construction Administration

Construction Documentation

Hand Drafting and Rendering

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**TECHNICAL SKILLS**

AutoCAD

Revit

VRay

Adobe Photoshop

Adobe Illustrator

Adobe InDesign

Adobe Acrobat

SketchUp

Rhino

Bluebeam

Smartsheet

Procreate

Canvas Learning Management Platform