



CELEBRATING OUR 2024 INTERNS!





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Manda Hamilton

**Bachelor of Science in Architecture and Design Studies
(BSADS) + M.ARCH Student at Howard University**



What were you looking for in a firm for your internship that you have found at KGD?

I was looking for a firm that felt personable, passionate about improving communities and lives, and intentional about diversifying my realms of knowledge and exposure. Each day has presented new opportunities to strengthen and expand my understanding (and proactively use it), develop new skills and ways of thinking, and gain valuable insight from others.

The collaborative spirit and commitment to excellence here inspires me to approach challenges confidently. In the vastness that architecture is, I'm grateful for the role KGD has played in my professional and academic journey.



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Angeline Baker

**Bachelor of Fine Arts in Interior Architecture Student at
The George Washington University**



What is your work style as a designer?

As an aspiring interior architect, I am always asked this question, and the truth is, I love all design. On any given day, my answer will probably change. However, rather than picking one distinct style, I would describe the spaces I design as whimsical. I love to infuse spaces with unexpected elements that reflect the project or characteristics of the client.



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Andrew McAvoy

**Bachelor of Science in Architecture Student at the
University of Maryland**



**What do you hope to get out of your
internship experience with KGD?**

I hope to gain a deeper understanding of the building design process outside of the academic setting. At KGD, I want to be exposed to projects in different phases of design and to learn from the experiences of the designers I work with. I look forward to applying the lessons I've learned at KGD into my studio projects this upcoming school year and in the workplace after I graduate.



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Bruno Yeh

B.ARCH Student at Syracuse University



What do you enjoy most about designing?

For me, the most rewarding aspect of design is being able to work closely with a community in order to find purposeful ways to give back. Learning from those with different perspectives and backgrounds is what makes the iterative design process exciting and helps remind us for whom we are designing.



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Naomi Cruz

Virginia Tech - Washington-Alexandria Campus, M.ARCH II



Where do you see your career five years from now?

Five years from now, I see myself having graduated from Virginia Tech and working at a firm in the metropolitan area. I plan to be working on urban scale projects with a focus on community building and pedestrian experience, as these are the things that inspire me most about pursuing architecture.



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Andrew Prieto

Bachelor of Architecture (B.ARCH) + Minor in Computer Science at Virginia Tech



Who at KGD do you admire for their architectural ability and why?

I definitely admire Estrella Amador not only as a designer, but also her knowledge on architecture as a whole. She can quickly develop plans that are fantastic in design and incorporate a comprehensive knowledge of the codes that restrict them on the fly. I think that level of expertise is something we should all strive for.