

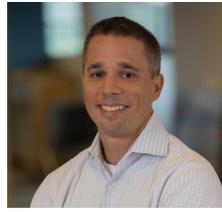
# G+P Welcomes New Partners!



Sue Hains



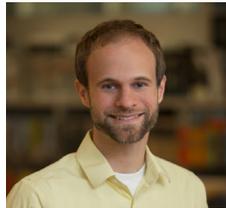
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Grimm + Parker Architects is pleased to announce the promotion of several key leaders at our firm into Ownership. Please join Melanie Hennigan, Kieran Wilmes, and Jim Boyd in welcoming our new Partners and fellow Owners: Sue Hains, Paul Klee, Steve Mundt, Antonio Rebelo, Zak Schooley, Mel Thompson, and Dave Whale. Our new Partners bring tremendous talent, skill, and experience into G+P Ownership. Together, with our entire firm, we will strive to deliver great value to our clients and to build more equity, diversity, and inclusion in our profession.

Our expanded group of Owners increases our expertise in k-12, higher education, cultural, civic, recreation, public safety, office, multi-family residential, and commercial architecture. Our team works closely with our clients to ensure that their projects and developments can achieve their mission-driven goals. Our new Partners have a long track record of success at G+P, delivering high quality, award winning designs and extraordinary value to our clients.

Together, with our entire firm, G+P's new Partners have fostered an award-winning firm culture. In 2020, the Washington Business Journal recognized G+P as one of its "2020 Best Places To Work." The new Partners have successfully managed firm growth while ensuring business stability through challenging times. Grimm + Parker is honored to be ranked #12 by the Washington Business Journal on their 2020 list of the largest and most successful Architecture Firms in the Washington DC Metro Region.

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Melanie Hennigan  
President + CEO

“ We are excited about building a terrific future with our new Partners. We believe that our diversity strengthens our ability to collaborate and innovate with clients. As a woman-owned business, we want to lead by example and advance our profession.



Jim Boyd  
Partner

“ Our new Partners have been working with our clients for many years. Each of them brings a wealth of market sector knowledge and experience.



Kieran Wilmes  
Partner

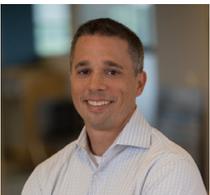
“ Our Partnership reflects the many different clients and communities that we serve. Our diversity allows us to see problems from a variety of perspectives. It really accelerates how quickly we can find good solutions.



**Sue Hains, Partner.** Sue is a leader in our cultural, civic, recreation, higher education and commercial design practice. Her notable projects include the Music Center at Strathmore, the University of Maryland Baltimore Campus Center for the Performing Arts + Humanities, the Maryland Theatre in Hagerstown, and the Wheaton Library + Community Recreation Center. Sue joined G+P more than 20 years ago and she brings world class expertise in the design of concert halls, performing arts theatres, and other cultural venues. Sue was appointed by the Governor and served on the State of Maryland Architectural Review Board for five years. Sue's design work has received numerous national and regional recognition from the AIA.



**Paul Klee, Partner.** Paul is a leader in our k-12 educational design practice. His notable projects include the award-winning Moncure Elementary School, Louisa County High School, Washington and Lee High School, Lois Hornsby Middle School, Matapeake Elementary School, Kent Island High School, and Discovery STEM Academy. Paul joined G+P more than 30 years ago and he brings a wealth of k-12 design leadership experience, including programming and interior design. Paul has been a chapter President of A4LE and a chapter President of the Potomac Valley AIA Chapter. Paul's design work has received multiple awards from the AIA, VSBA, NSBA, and Learning By Design. He works closely with school boards across Virginia to help them program and deliver outstanding schools.



**Dave Whale, Partner.** Dave is a leader in our civic, cultural, public safety, and educational market sectors, with deep expertise in higher education. Dave works closely with many of our Virginia clients, including Fairfax County, Loudoun County, NOVA Community College, VCCS, County of Arlington, Alexandria City Public Schools, and Frederick County Public Schools. His notable projects include the Workforce Development Center at NOVA, the award-winning Sterling Library, Hopewell Library, the award-winning Moncure Elementary School, Lois Hornsby Middle School, the College of Southern Maryland Flagship and Wellness buildings, the NAIOP award-winning Arts and Science Building for NOVA Woodbridge, Discovery STEM Academy, and Samuel Tucker Elementary School. Dave has more than 25 years of design and client management experience.



**Mel Thompson, Partner.** Mel brings 21 years of leadership and expertise in mixed-use residential, multi-family affordable, multi-family market rate and student housing projects. Mel works closely with Enterprise Community Development, Dantes Partners, Landex, Horning Brothers, Harkins Builders, Victory Housing, Bozzuto, JBG Smith, Hamel Builders, Mission First, and Gables. Mel's notable projects include Capitol Vista, Woodfall Greens, The SeVerna on K, The Varsity, Victory Square, The Artisan, Cameron Grove Adult Resort Community, and the Residences at Upper Rock. Mel prides himself on working together with clients, municipalities and communities throughout the MD, DC, VA region. Mel's design leadership has guided G+P to win over 20 national and regional housing design awards.



**Zak Schooley, Partner.** Zak leads our award-winning Residential and Urban Design Studio and has been with G+P since 2009. He brings a deep passion and commitment to affordable, beautiful, multi-family housing. Notable projects include Studio 3807, the SeVerna on K, Capitol Vista, Justice Park, and Urban Green. Zak is a talented designer and a terrific project manager. He is dedicated to the comprehensive design, management, and construction administration of multi-family residential projects. Throughout a collaborative design process, Zak provides leadership and superior service for clients and stakeholders. The results are sustainable, award-winning affordable housing projects that transform lives and neighborhoods.



**Steve Mundt, Partner.** Steve leads our Charlottesville Studio with nearly 30 years' experience in the design of educational, civic, cultural, and residential buildings. Steve also works closely with many of our higher education clients – such as William & Mary, John Tyler Community College, and Lord Fairfax Community College. Steve also has expertise in K-12 design. His notable projects include Washington-Liberty High School, Stafford High School, Kenmore Middle School and Carlin Springs Elementary School. His design work has been recognized with awards from the Virginia School Board Association, the Association for Learning Environments, and the American Institute of Architects, of which Steve is a proud member.



**Antonio Rebelo, Partner.** Antonio is a leader in our civic, cultural, recreational, commercial, public safety, interiors, residential and educational practices. With 24 years of experience, Antonio is the Director of Design for G+P, winning multiple regional and national AIA design awards. His notable projects include the National AIA ALA award-winner Laurel Library, Wheaton Library + Community Recreation Center, Bowie City Hall + Police Department, George Washington Carver High School, the Workforce Development Center at NOVA, Wheaton High School, The Varsity, The Culinary Arts Center for PGCC, Leonardtown Library, Elkridge Library, The Capital Region Medical Center for UMMS, Capitol Vista, and Havre de Grace Middle/High School. Antonio is an avid sailor and pilot. He is also a Past President of the Potomac Valley Chapter of the AIA.