



Neumann/Smith Architecture: Design beyond the Extraordinary

Neumann/Smith Architecture is a distinguished design firm noted for its creativity in achieving client goals. That creativity has distinguished our work for fifty years, earning the firm over 200 awards including the prestigious AIA Michigan Architecture Firm Award and numerous features in the international architectural press.

Founded in 1968, Neumann/Smith continues to build on its history of design excellence with a talented group of individuals who share an unwavering commitment to exceptional service and the highest standards of professional practice. They specialize in architecture, planning, interior design, historic preservation, and adaptive reuse. Their market focus aligns within the mixed-use developments, hospitality, multi-unit housing, parking structures, workplace, experiential, and higher education spaces.

The firm provides comprehensive architectural services. Their focus on architecture allows the Neumann/Smith team to excel in their profession. It also gives them the freedom to bring together the best engineering and specialty consultants to meet the unique needs of each project. The firm's architects and interior designers are skilled in master planning, site evaluation, feasibility studies, space planning, architecture, interior design and project management.

Neumann/Smith has been a member of MIM for more than 40 years. "The greatest benefit of a MIM membership is the access to knowledgeable industry professionals who are always willing to offer support," says Dawn Peterson, director of specifications at Neumann/Smith.

Steve Gedert, principal at Neumann/Smith, adds, "We have used standardized details from the MIM on countless unique projects and have received conceptual support from MIM members and staff. The resources and support are huge benefits as the membership allows for "continuing education opportunities that become essential for young professionals."

Steve advocates for new professionals into the AEC industry to explore a membership with the MIM. New people within the profession "should make themselves aware of what benefits the MIM has to offer and take advantage of the educational opportunities."

Steve's favorite thing about the AEC industry is to see the final building function within a community. "The final product – that we designed, documented and watched through construction—will be there for years to come to serve others and, in some way, make an impact on someone's daily life."