

## Building Community: Respecting Our Past, Designing Our Future



















Bonstra | Haresign ARCHITECTS is guided by the belief that architecture transforms communities and inspires people. We are a firm of 30 creative architects and designers - problem-solvers who thrive on finding innovative solutions to the challenges of cities and neighborhoods.

We are contextual modernists designing sustainable, well-crafted and memorable buildings and sites. Our projects artfully respond to each client's needs and to each site's unique context and attributes.

Attention to detail, precision, accuracy and efficiency distinguish our work no matter what size or building type. We maximize value for clients and community by understanding constraints and crafting a unique solution, through thoughtful and innovative design response, and careful selection of materials and construction methods.

Our diverse experience in commercial, institutional, mixed-use and multi-family projects has led us to master the challenges of multiple stakeholders, entitlements and adherence to fiscal constraints. We are passionate about the power of architecture to uplift and revitalize the physical environment and the economic and social conditions of our world.

Studio

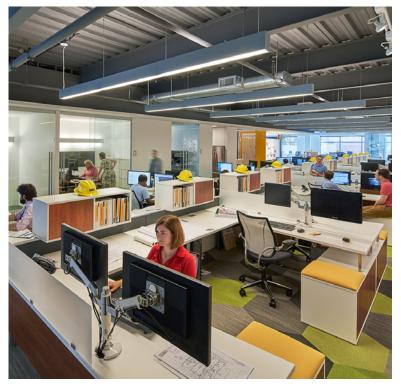
Rooted in community values and collaboration, we are committed to our clients, the community and design.











At Bonstra | Haresign ARCHITECTS, we operate in a collegial studio environment: each team member participates in all aspects of project design, development and execution. Open discussion of architectural ideas and client solutions is valued and encouraged. Our staff works on a variety of projects, ranging in size and complexity from residential renovations and adaptive use to large-scale, mixed-use developments.

Our team lives and works in the neighborhoods in which our projects are built. Partners and team members give back to the community through teaching and involvement in local professional, civic and volunteer organizations. This ethos of community involvement is encouraged at every level.

### Philosophy

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We believe that architecture should be expressive of its time, fulfill client and community aspirations, respond appropriately to its physical context, and inspire the public by being memorable and creative. We consider site context, regulatory restrictions, natural features, community concerns, historic preservation issues and special site characteristics.

We are inspired by challenging site constraints, thoughtful restoration, adaptive use of existing buildings, contemporary design and modern insertion in historic fabric. Our work catalyzes, revitalizes and sustains environments ranging from urban neighborhoods to rural landscapes. We create bold, modern, visually expressive buildings that complement their surroundings and raise the aspirations of the public and our profession.

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We are experts in zoning and building codes, historic preservation guidelines and sustainable design requirements of the jurisdictions in which we work. Our projects minimize financial risks and maximize returns through imaginative design solutions and technically precise documentation. We closely manage and administer each stage of design and construction and are committed to seeing our projects completed on time and budget.

People

### Creative, Passionate, Inspired

At Bonstra | Haresign ARCHITECTS, our people are our most valuable resource. Our partners thoughtfully select each team member based on their demonstrated creativity, intelligence and talent. We operate in a collegial studio environment and foster a collaborative culture that values our clients, the community, continuing education, and the advancement of our profession. We are a team of dedicated individuals who passionately believe in the power of design to positively shape the world.



#### Bill Bonstra, FAIA, LEED AP

Since founding the firm in 2000, Bill Bonstra has designed prominent and award-winning DC landmarks which have contributed exemplary contemporary design to the historic architecture of the nation's capital. As a mentor to young architects, Bill teaches a masters design studio at The Catholic University of America and regularly lectures, juries and presents at other leading academic institutions. Bill is committed to giving back to the community and the profession, notably through his involvement with ULI, Cultural Tourism DC, and the DC Zoning Task Force.



#### David Haresign, FAIA

David Haresign is a specialist in large-scale, complex projects. He implements diverse project typologies with challenging entitlements, large integrated teams, and tight fiscal constraints. David engages the public through outreach and pro-bono activism. His integrated project delivery achieves iconic design, technical innovation, restoration and re-purposing of old fabric that re-invigorates neighborhoods. Committed to smart growth planning and preservation, David is a socially responsible architect charting a sustainable future.









# Project Experience

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## Live









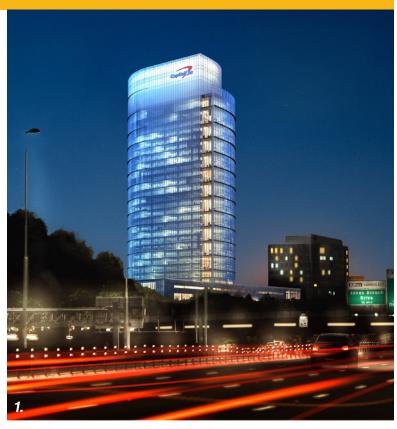


- 1. The Jordan, Arlington, VA
- 2. 11141 Georgia Avenue, Wheaton, MD
- 3. SoLo Piazza, Washington, DC
- 4. Q14 Condominium Washington, DC
- 5. CITTA 50, Washington, DC

Designed with an understanding of the functional and aesthetic demands of today's modern, metropolitan renters and buyers, our *multi-family and single-family residential* projects meet the needs of our clients and sensitively integrate into their neighborhood fabric. In addition to our traditional *market-rate projects* and our *mixed-use residential projects*, we support *affordable housing* as a basic right and a cornerstone of smart growth.



## Work









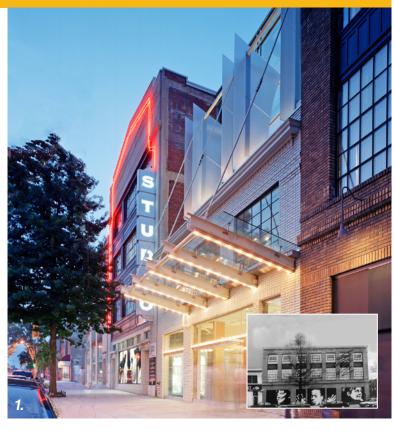


- 1. Corporate Headquarters II, McLean, VA
- 2. 8484 Georgia Avenue, Silver Spring, MD
- 3. MITRE Campus, McLean, VA
- 4. AOL Creative Center II, Dulles, VA
- 5. 1728 Fourteenth Street, NW, Washington, DC

Bonstra | Haresign ARCHITECTS is committed to designing workplace environments that foster creativity and productivity. Our commercial projects include *corporate campuses and headquarters*, *urban mixed-use projects*, *public space renovations*, and *tenant offices*. We design warm and light-filled collaborative spaces and optimize flexibility in interior planning. Our clients have appreciated our creativity in designing marketable space for today's sophisticated commercial tenants.

## Project Experience

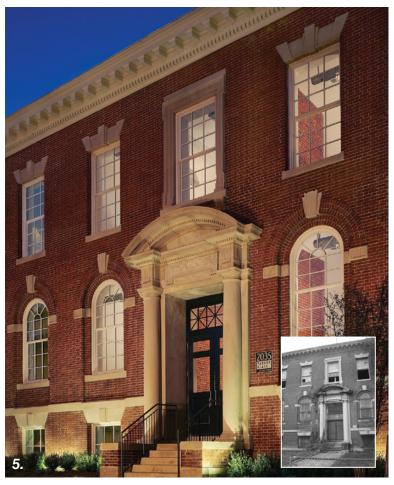
## **Transform**











- 1. Studio Theatre, Washington, DC
- 2. 1840-1846 Vernon Street, NW, Washington, DC
- 3. Lamont Lofts, Washington, DC
- 4. AOL Creative Center I, Dulles, VA
- 5. Parker Flats at Gage School, Washington, DC

With passion for and a commitment to reawakening neglected, underutilized, sometimes derelict buildings and sites, Bonstra | Haresign ARCHITECTS creatively modernizes and repurposes buildings and communities through *renovation and adaptive use* projects. Transformation, though frequently involving complex forensics of eccentric conditions, permits creative interpretation of residual material, captures embodied energy, and builds on heritage and historical significance to revitalize neighborhoods.

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# Shop









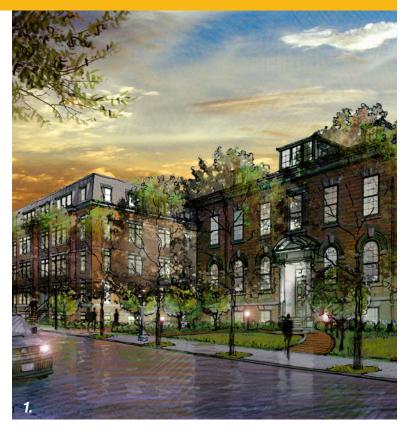


- 1. Crestview Retail, Landover, MD
- 2. 1841 Columbia Road, NW, Washington, DC
- 3. 10th Street Flats Mixed Use, Arlington, VA
- 4. 1728 Fourteenth Street, NW, Washington, DC
- 5. Hello Cupcake, Washington, DC

We create unique and energized retail environments that not only reflect a contemporary design, but also serve as "destinations" to encourage the retail patron to linger and enjoy their shopping experience. With extensive experience in both *mixed-use* and *urban retail*, as well as *stand-alone* and *pad-site developments*, Bonstra | Haresign ARCHITECTS has a unique understanding of all aspects of retail design from branding and signage to product display.



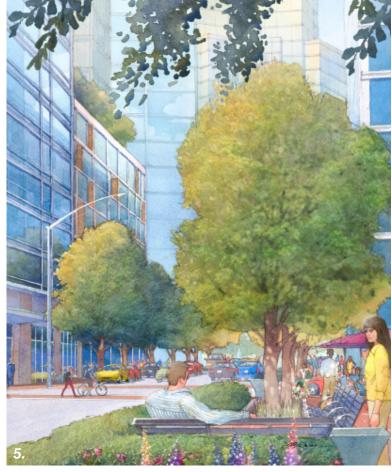
#### Create Place











- 1. Parker Flats at Gage School, Washington, DC
- 2. Lake Anne Village Center, Reston, VA
- 3. Metro Plaza at Wheaton, Wheaton, MD
- 4. Tresser Square,
- 5. Urban Village Tysons Corner, McLean, VA

Whether developing a one-block neighborhood or a multi-acre corporate campus, our *master planning projects* are informed by a comprehensive and multi-perspective study of the site to develop smart growth and sustainable planning concepts. Driven by a strong vision and a flexible approach, we design successful master plans that are robust enough to overcome the push and pull of the unforeseen, while creating added value at every stage of implementation.

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