

Elyse Agnello, AIA, NCARB

Founding Principal



Elyse Agnello, AIA, NCARB, is the Founding Principal of DAAM. She has a diverse professional background that spans from architectural design and construction to cultural event production. Throughout her career, she has successfully designed, fabricated, and managed projects of varying scale and type in Illinois, California, Spain, Germany and the UK. Her work to date has focused on the development and deployment of strategies for new methods for construction, design processes, and effective project delivery. She has been an invited design critic at the Illinois Institute of Technology, School of the Art Institute of Chicago, and the University of Illinois at Chicago. Ms. Agnello is also the Design Principal for Platform Managers, a real estate development and venture management firm. She is NCARB Certified and a licensed architect in the states of Illinois, New York and New Jersey.

EDUCATION:

Master of Architecture | Harvard University Graduate School of Design | Cambridge, MA | 2014

Post-Graduate Diploma with Distinction | The Architectural Association | AA Interprofessional Studio | London, UK | 2012

Bachelor of Science in Architecture | The University of Michigan | Taubman College of Architecture & Urban Planning | Ann Arbor, MI | 2006

CERTIFICATIONS:

Licensed Architect, State of IL
No. 001.1023500

Licensed Architect, State of NY
No. 038801-1

Licensed Architect, State of NJ
No. 21A102195400

NCARB Certified, National Council of Architectural Registration Boards
No. 83935

AFFILIATIONS:

American Institute of Architects (AIA), Member

Placemaking Leadership Council (PLC), Member

SELECTED PROJECTS & RELEVANT EXPERIENCE:

Rail Yard Innovation District Lofts | Green Bay, WI | Adaptive Reuse, Renovation and Addition to a former industrial warehouse for conversion into luxury loft residences

Guild Row | Chicago, IL | Multi-purpose commercial venue with workshop, flexible events spaces, a teaching kitchen, membership clubhouse as well as a full commercial kitchen

LYTE Lounge | Chicago, IL | Recreation, education, and employment center for youth in need

Fairlie Event Space | Chicago, IL | Multi-level industrial event space and new surface parking lot

Kitchen Chicago | Chicago, IL | Multi-purpose industrial event space with commercial kitchen and new surface parking lot

The Starter Home Project | Chicago, IL & Kansas City, MI | Real estate development initiative created to offer well-crafted, uniquely-designed, affordable housing options in city centers

Lyndale Roof Deck & Garage | Chicago, IL | New masonry garage and roof deck with custom CNC-milled trellis

2x3x5 | Chicago, IL | Complete renovation and adaptation of a 3-unit condominium building in Chicago's Historic Wicker Park neighborhood

Triangle House | Chicago, IL | Addition and remodel to a private residence

Shell House | Roxbury, NY | Renovation to kitchen, living room, entry way and HVAC system for a retreat home in the Catskill Mountains

*The Great Chicago Fire Festival | Chicago, IL | Public spectacle on Northerly Island to commemorate Chicago's Rebirth after the Great Fire of 1871

*PlayTime Exhibition | Toledo, OH | Spectacle object in public space at the Toledo Museum of Art

*Aol 51° 0': An Active Archive | London, UK | Pop-up Gallery & Installation at the White Building

*Aol 41° 3': A 24-hour Cultural Exchange | Madrid, ESI Pop-Up Salon, Clandestine Dinner, Craft Showcase, & Concert featuring a modern dance performance in a marketplace environment at the Matadero

*Angles of Incidence 50° 6' | Cologne, DE | Craft Showcase & Concert at the KunstSalon

*FKI Headquarters | Seoul, SK | Competition-winning entry for a mixed-use development

*MVD Live/Work | Mountain View, CA | Adaptive re-use office and residential project

** Experience prior to DAAM*

SELECTED ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS:

GSD Fabrication Lab | CNC Teaching Assistant | 2012-2014

GSD Fabrication Lab | Metal Shop Teaching Assistant | 2012-2014

GSD Fabrication Lab | 3D Printing Teaching Assistant | 2010-2011

SELECTED HONORS & AWARDS:

Shell House | AIA Chicago Small Projects Design Award (2019)

William A. Doeble Fellowship | Harvard University (2013)

Raoul Wallenberg Fellowship | The University of Michigan (2006)

SELECTED EXHIBITIONS:

The Great Chicago Fire Festival | Chicago, IL (2016)

The Great Chicago Fire Festival | Chicago, IL (2015)

PlayTime Exhibition | Toledo (OH) Museum of Art (2015)

Aoi 51° 0°: An Active Archive | The White Building, London (2012)

Aoi 41° 3°: A 24-hour Cultural Exchange | The Matadero, Madrid (2012)

Angles of Incidence 50° 6° | KunstSalon, Cologne (2012)

SELECTED PUBLICATIONS:

Storage Matters | Chicago Architect (2018)

PART and LINK | The Architectural Association (Forthcoming)

Conversations with Architecture | LoebBlog (2013)

AA Prospectus (2012)

VIEW on Harvard (2011)

Architectural Digest (2011)

PAST PROFESSIONAL:

Redmoon | Chicago, IL | 2014-2015

Crosstree Inc. | Chicago, IL | 2009-2010

Adrian Smith + Gordon Gill Architecture | Chicago, IL | 2008-2009

Kuth Ranieri Architects | San Francisco | 2006-2008

Cooper, Robertson & Partners | New York, NY | 2005, 2006