

MUTUO Fernanda Oppermann - Principal

Education

USC Ross Minority in Real Estate, 2017 – Executive Real Estate Program University of Southern California, 2005 – Master of Architecture Federal University of Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, 2000 – Bachelor of Architecture

Professional Experience

MUTUO. Principal (2012-present)

Los Angeles, CA

James Dayton Design (2010-2011)

Minneapolis, MN

4rmu+la (2010)

St. Paul, MN

Eric Owen Moss Architects (2007-2009)

Culver City, California

Johnson Fain Partners (2005-2007)

Los Angeles, CA

Associations

ULI (Urban Land Institute) – GROW Mentorship Program lead by the Women's Leadership Initiative (2018) **USC Initiative to end Homelessness** – Volunteer in Housing Typologies Workgroup (2017) **AIA (American Institute of Architects)** – Member

Selected Project Experience

Chicano Art Museum. MUTUO with Urb-in (2020-)

New Mixed-use building with an 11,000 sf Chicano Art museum and residential units in East Los Angeles.

Sunset Boulevard Gateways. MUTUO with Studio-MLA (2020-)

Selected team to design 3 Gateways and vision for the Sunset Strip.

Self Help Graphics. MUTUO with Smith-Clementi (2020-)

Headquarters for SHG. Self Help Graphics is a non-profit in Boyle Heights dedicated to the production, interpretation and distribution of prints and other art media by Chicana/o and Latinx artists.

Boyle Tower. MUTUO with Urb-in (2018-2021)

A small tower addition of 5 micro-units using available space next to an existing building. Precast concrete culverts -currently being used for infrastructure projects- provide a shell for our building.

Camulos Accessory Dwelling unit (ADU). MUTUO (2017-2019)

Accessory dwelling unit made form precast concrete units, this project is a pilot plan that served as a precursor to the Boyle Tower project.

DUO, Prefabricated panel Accessory Dwelling Unit (ADU) System. MUTUO (2017-)

Accessory dwelling unit with different configurations made form prefabricated panels. The idea is to be able to mass produce DUO.

Del Norte. MUTUO (2017-)

Four single family residences in a hillside setting in Mount Washington, Los Angeles, CA.

Hollywood Media District Master Plan. MUTUO (2018-)

Masterplan for a 242 acre area of Los Angeles. The Hollywood Media District is a Hollywood adjacent commercial and industrial zone. The project aims to densify, incorporate residential uses and a sequence of meaningful public spaces giving an identity to the neighborhood.

Southwest Museum Masterplan. MUTUO (2017-)

Masterplan for a 12,000 sf addition to the historic Southwest Museum in Mount Washington, Los Angeles. The project contemplates three different schemes for an addition to the historic building.

Tun Balam Masterplan. MUTUO (2016)

Masterplan and design for a 180 residential unit development in Quintana Roo, Mexico

North Shore Park Pavilion. MUTUO (2014-2018)

The pavilion is in a park in an immigrant farming community in the Coachella Valley. The park was conceived by our client, KDI, a nonprofit creating meaningful spaces in underserved communities through collaborative design.

Wonderland Avenue Residences. MUTUO (2013-2019)

Three single family residences in the Hollywood Hills, in Los Angeles, CA.

Selected Competitions

Fly Ranch – Land Art Generator (2020)

Competition to explore innovative and visionary approaches to land use and the opportunity to imagine a new portfolio of solutions for energy, water, food, shelter, and zero waste in a desert environment next to the Burning Man site.

Expansion of the Museum of the Environment of Rio de Janeiro. MUTUO (2011)

Competition for a new museum of the environment in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil.

Awards

WAN - 2021 Female Frontier Awards - Social Change Award

AIA LA – 2020 Cityscapes Citation Award – North Shore Pavilion

Chicago Athenaeum/European Centre 2020 International Award – Boyle Tower (In collaboration with Urb-in)

AIA LA - 2019 Presidential Honor Award - Emerging Practice

AIA LA - 2018 Next LA Honor Award - Boyle Tower (In collaboration with Urb-in)

AIA LA - 2016 Next LA Merit Award - Victory Healthcare (In collaboration with PATTERNS)

Selected Exhibits / Events / Installations / Books

Crystal Bridges Museum of American Art (2022)

Mutuo was commissioned to develop a concept for affordable and sustainable housing for an exhibit.

USC Generation Next (2020)

Selected USC graduates - firm & project presentations.

Beverly Willis Architecture Foundation – Built by Women Los Angeles 2020

North Shore pavilion

LA Forum for Architecture and Urban Design – Every Thing Changes (2020)

An exhibit during the Covid Pandemic questioning issues of equity, racial injustice, and what an exhibit should be during these trying times.

Selected Publications

USC Initiative to Eliminate Homelessness (December, 2020)

'Trojan women help create new guide for innovative housing', by Matthew Lee

Abitare (February 1, 2020)

'Wonderland in Hollywood', by Ilaria Mazzoleni

Metalocus (December 26, 2019)

'Wonderland Houses', by Ines Lalueta

VoyageLA (September 24, 2019)

'Meet Trailblazer Fernanda Oppermann'

Archinect (July 30, 2018)

'Mutuo brings Mexican and Brazilian perspectives to LA's Architecture Milieu', by Paul Petrunia