

Bio

Marlene is the founder and principal of Marlene Imirzian & Associates Architects (MIAA), formed in 1995. The firm is a regional practice with offices in Phoenix, AZ and Escondido, CA. Our firm is known for its design excellence, project performance, and as a leader in integration of sustainable design practices. We create finely considered and inventive buildings that contribute to the regeneration of place. We engage the owner, users, consultants, contractor, and other stakeholders as appropriate to develop comprehensive building solutions that optimize facilities for the project uses.

Their completed projects show their diversity as they range from public, private, higher education, civic, medical, historic preservation, commercial and residential clients.

The key to their approach is that each project must address the larger context beyond its physical boundaries in terms of user flow, future uses, flexibility of use, life cycle cost, ease of maintenance and sustainability.

Their reputation within the market has been helped primarily by the quality of the work and the repeated recognition with design awards, sustainability rankings, and past client recommendations.

Marlene is a faculty associate at the School of Architecture + Landscape Architecture at Arizona State University Herberger Institute for Design and the Arts. She currently serves as a member of the Alumni Board of Governors of the University of Michigan Taubman College of Architecture and Urban Planning.

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