Amber Westerman

Professional Experience

Amber Westerman Design Studio

Owner of design studio specializing in new homes, additions, remodeling, historic restoration, site planning, storefronts, small commercial buildings, and sustainable design. Excellent management and design ability combine with broad based knowledge of construction practices to deliver quality projects. Employs active listening to connect with owners, contractors and code officials to solve problems and meet deadlines.

Dodgeville, Wisconsin 1998-present

Singer Lumber Company

Estimator/expeditor and designer for custom residential projects. Duties include material take-offs, ordering millwork and structural components, inspecting construction for compliance with blueprints, design of new homes, additions and remodels.

Dodgeville, Wisconsin 1991-1998

Southwest Design Associates

Architectural Intern with schematic design and construction drawing responsibilities for multi-family, elderly housing, and commercial renovations. Emphasis on accessible design, code compliance, and mechanical layout.

Platteville, Wisconsin 1990-1991

Schmit Engineering & Surveying

Technical assistant to owner in field surveys and construction drawings for site plans, civil engineering projects, and small commercial buildings. Conducted research and wrote technical proposals, reports, and grant applications.

Dodgeville, Wisconsin 1988-1990

Joan Pregler Design Associates

Design and drafting assistant to owner. Preliminary design and construction drawings for residential projects. Managed inventory of supplies. Designed, built, and staffed trade show booth.

Madison, Wisconsin 1986-1987

Education

Madison Area Technical College

Associate of Applied Science-Architectural Technology Comprehensive program including structural design, materials, estimating, surveying, drafting, and mechanical systems. GPA 3.6 Madison, Wisconsin 1981-1985

Volunteer Activities

Dodgeville Historic Preservation Commission

Responsible for review and approval of alterations in designated historic districts. Instrumental in helping owners research materials and best practices. Project Director for the Walking Tour Booklet. Prepared documents for individual building Historic Preservation Certification.

Dodgeville, Wisconsin 1992-present

Wisconsin Main Street Program

Assisted downtown business owners with ADA compliance and designed three storefront façade renovations.

Dodgeville, Wisconsin 1992-1994

Habitat for Humanity

Designed and prepared construction drawings for two homes. Worked on rough framing crew for a third home.

Lower Wisconsin River Chapter 2005-2008

Shake Rag Alley Center for the Arts

Design of outdoor community theater stage, and presentation for the Historic Restoration Symposium on understanding blueprints.

Mineral Point, Wisconsin 2005-2007

Iowa County Historical Society

Relocation plans for an historic school, and installation plans for salvaged stone sculptures.

Dodgeville, Wisconsin 2005-2008

Professional Memberships

American Institute of Architects, Associate Member Midwest Renewable Energy Association Dodgeville Chamber of Commerce