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Architect Olga J. Muñoz

Soltero, Muñoz + Associates

As a little girl, Architect Olga J. Muñoz had a fascination with unusual buildings. She remembers being amazed at how they were built and how they could remain for centuries as witnesses to history.

"I always had this innate sensibility and a degree of understanding of what made a space, a house, or a building interesting and what made it beautiful," she said.

Muñoz, an Administrative Partner of Soltero, Muñoz + Associates, holds over 20 years of experience in residential, retail and institutional architecture design, planning and management. She graduated Cum Laude in 1987, with a Bachelors Degree in Architecture from the University of Louisiana. Together with her partner and husband, Architect Ramón Soltero, she holds a solid portfolio of corporate and government clients and investors such as Home Depot, Walgreens, Pep Boys, Belz Enterprises, Costco, Popular Bank, Urban Developments, Best Buy, Office Depot, V Suárez & Co. and Grupo Sumaza, among others. SM+A has under its trusteeship, projects valued in over \$417 million dollars, including the coordination and design of new "retailers" in the island such as Best Buy and Office Depot.



She hopes to continue extending her client list and the type of projects, to include mixed-use buildings with urban impact, and commercial centers focused on entertainment and family recreation. She also hopes to incorporate sustainable concepts of architecture in all her projects. Both in her personal character and as an architectural designer, Muñoz, along with her partners and team, has joined the global effort for designing and building developments of ecological and social conscience. SM+A professional services go far beyond of a traditional architectural firm by adding civil engineering, structural engineering, project inspection, site assessment and permitting. Muñoz firmly believes in fomenting and working in social and economic high-impact projects that promote growth and show the creativity and development potential of Puerto Rico.

Muñoz has been awarded and recognized as one of the leading architects and prominent businesswomen in Puerto Rico. She was recently awarded the Top Management Award in Architecture by the Sales and Marketing Executives Association of PR and recognized as one of the Top Puerto Rico Business Leaders 2007 by the Bankers Club. She is also an active member of the Puerto Rico College of Architects & Landscape Architects of PR, the American Institute of Architects, the International Council of Shopping Centers, and the Puerto Rico Manufacturers Association.

Con gran entusiasmo nos unimos al reconocimiento de la Arquitecta Olga J. Muñoz, Partner de Soltero Muñoz & Associates Arquitectos, como "Mujer Distinguida en la Industria de la Construcción 2007"



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