



BARRETT STUDIO architects

AMY KIRTLAND, ASSOCIATE

Architect

Amy holds a Master of Architecture from the University of Texas-Austin with an emphasis in Sustainable Design, and a Bachelor degree with a major in Architecture from the University of Colorado-Boulder. She has been a member of the Barrett Studio Team for over seven years. Amy's experience includes educational facilities, large scale master planning, residential and design-build projects that incorporate alternative building materials, passive and active solar design, and sustainable systems and technologies. Her passion is to create buildings that meet programmatic needs and design ideals while providing ecologically sensitive solutions.

While at Barrett Studio, Amy has been intensely involved in the design of two large-scale educational projects. The Logan School for Creative Learning included master planning for the school's campus at the "retired" Lowry Air Force Base, programming meetings with faculty and students, and creating a phased design solution that worked with the School's timeline and budgetary requirements. The second project, an addition and renovation to Sage Hall Dormitory at the Fountain Valley campus, was a historic renovation to the original 1930's structure. This 25,000 square foot project incorporated private faculty houses adjoined to student dormitory rooms, allowing faculty to have direct connection and supervision to the students while maintaining a level of privacy and individualized space.

In 2009, BSa partnered with the Watershed School to participate in Architecture for Humanity's Classroom design competition. Amy acted as project manager and primary teaching instructor & curriculum developer for this pro bono venture with local high school students to create a portable classroom design for their school. Amy successfully facilitated this collaborative design process, culminating in a final design and competition submission.

Most recently, Amy has been working as the project manager for the master planning of Twin Buttes, which is a new residential and mixed use neighborhood in Durango, Colorado. Twin Buttes will be an eco-village that utilizes clustered development to minimize impact on the land while creating a walkable and bikeable community that will provide sustainable living, affordable and market rate housing, and over 400 acres of open space donated to the City of Durango. As Amy works on this large scale master planning project, she coordinates timelines and needs with multiple professional consultants and the client.

Amy has proven to be an effective communicator and facilitator in the design process whether in a group format or on an individual level. Her meticulous attention to detail and solid sense of process throughout all phases of a design allows for a smooth progression from conceptual sketches to a finished building.

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