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A **virtuoso** is one that becomes highly skilled in a craft through constant experimentation and investigation, and in the process makes a positive and enlightening influence on the culture of a community. At Virtuoso Design + Build, our team of architects, designers, builders and other craftsmen, as well as our clients, find this definition very important as we work together to make our impression on the built environment. We understand that each project is an opportunity to do something different from the conventional model and to make improvements on the typical way of doing things.



The build team focuses heavily on staying ahead of schedule, and craftsmen quality and clear communication. Additionally, as a Detroit based company, we recognize the importance and impact of individual projects on the city as a whole and wherever possible seek to cultivate interactions between our projects and their larger contexts.

The diverse staff of well established practitioners, ambitious designers, and skilled craftsmen gives us the opportunity to consider projects from a unique standpoint incorporating all aspects of construction from established best practices to creative construction techniques. Maintaining insight from all members of the VD+B team throughout the construction process results in truly original spaces that don't face significant hurdles in the approval or construction process.



1. Approvals & Permits

- Drawings and scope of work approved by municipality and client

2. Demolition & Rough Construction

- Rough framing, insulation, mechanical, electrical, and plumbing
- Inspection & approvals
- Renderings

3. Finish Construction

- Drywall / wall covering
- Flooring
- Millwork installation
- Paint
- Finish mechanical, electrical, and plumbing
- Install refinished or new windows and doors

4. Install Fixtures & Equipment

- Appliances, computer systems
- Furniture

5. Finish Inspections

- Certificate of occupancy with city approvals

Design Process

VD+B

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Mark Klimkowski | Principal



VDB's founder and co-owner Mark Klimkowski was raised in his father's carpentry shop, an experience that has distilled a refreshing amount of focus and tectonic in his architectural process. A graduate of University of Detroit Mercy's College of Architecture with a Masters of Architecture, he has been studying and working in the nuances of Detroit his entire career. After starting his career with Albert Kahn Associates, a firm he was drawn to for its historic importance to the region's architecture, he took a cue from its founder and set off on his own to develop a brand of architecture that has sought to meet the needs of his clients, his city, and his time.

Vincent Cataldo | Principal



Vincent Cataldo is a co-owner of Virtuoso Design + Build and owner of Infuz Architects. Vince received his Bachelors of Architecture from Lawrence Technological University and since then as built an impressive portfolio of unique residential and commercial projects. Currently, Vince is a licensed Architect and residential home builder. Vince's ability to coordinate design and build projects is unmatched among those in his field. In his spare time, he enjoys outdoor activities and spending time with his family.

Michelle Mathews | Marketing



Michelle Mathews is a student at Wayne State University in the School of Business, with a focus on Marketing and Advertising. Michelle joined VDB in 2014 and has since set in motion a number of marketing efforts that have increased brand visibility and awareness. Michelle hopes to further cultivate VDB's identity and business ventures as the company grows. In her spare time, she enjoys volunteering with the Detroit Boat Club Crew and exploring downtown Detroit with her dog, Yoshi.

The team enumerated here was specifically chosen to meet the unique needs of the Motor City Match program. Here is a comprehensive list of Virtuoso's support staff:

Rebecca Labov | Architectural Designer

Ian Konnie | Architectural Designer

Costa Sirdenis | Craftsperson

Deb Scott | Marketing and Woodwright

Hunter Bryan | Craftsperson

Ian Watzl | Craftsperson

Konrad Tenwolde | Craftsperson

Marcel Gabriel | Craftsperson

Adam Meloche | Architectural Designer

Walnut | Shop Dog

Joe DiBella | Architectural & Landscape Designer



Joe DiBella has been enamored with architecture since the age of 12 when he had the opportunity to sketch over custom home blueprints as his parents entertained the idea of having a home built. In the pursuit of his dream, Joe has graduated from Washington University in St Louis with a Master's degree in Architecture and a second Master's degree in Landscape Architecture. Additionally, he has experience in rapid prototyping techniques including 3-D printing, CNC milling, and advanced 3-D virtual reality simulations during his time as the manager of Washington University's Digital Fabrication Lab. Furthermore, he has a strong background in parametric modeling software specifically related to optimizing energy usage in structures. Subsequently, his personal interests vary from small scale furniture installations, to parametric sun shading, to large scale parks and campus planning.

John Benghauser | Project Manager



Originally from Lansing, John Benghauser moved to Detroit in 2013 after purchasing a home to restore on the east side. A graduate of Michigan State University with a degree in Mechanical Engineering, John has a special appreciation for details. His dog - Walnut can be spotted in the offices of VD+B most likely with some scrap wood, looking for a partner to play catch with.

Logan Bourne | Project Manager & Lead Carpenter



Having started woodworking at a young age, Logan learned many traditional woodworking and building techniques from his father, a Master Carpenter. Logan graduated with his degree in International Business from Johnson & Wales University in 2010. He started working at VD+B as a craftsman in 2014. Logan, who's originally from Vermont, enjoys snowboarding, hiking, and traveling.

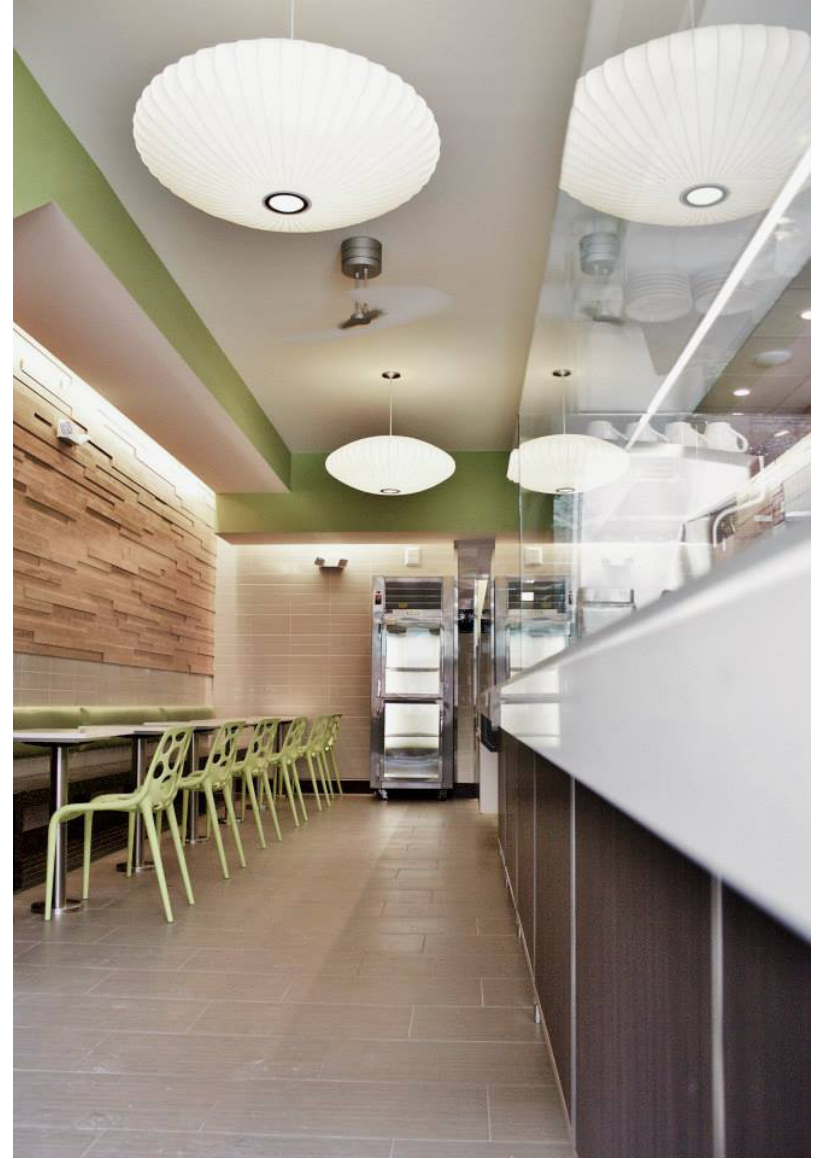
Staff Bios | Make a Plan Team



Krema is one of VD+B's showcase projects of 2015. Located in Greektown Detroit, Kremia is the Greek word for "cream" and the menu and atmosphere emulate the meaning. VD+B oversaw design and build on this project as we worked closely with the owner to achieve their desired aesthetic. The layout was created to cater to take-out and dine-in customers alike. Color schemes, textures, and finishes we're all carefully cultivated to create a warm and inviting space.



Millwork Detail



Work Sample | Kremia



In 2014, D:Hive was the city's best resource for travelers and newcomers. The organization would help individuals connect with available jobs, apartments, and organize community events. It was imperative for D:Hive to have a space that was as transformative as their organization. VD+B created moveable walls that would provide privacy when necessary, and would open up for larger groups of people as needed.



Interior before

