CONSTRUCTION

A 13-year Webcor veteran who has lived in San Diego for almost 20 years is returning to help the leading California general contractor renew its push for market share in the region. Cecilia Kucharski recently began her second tenure with Webcor to further penetrate the San Diego market, where Webcor is currently working in the government and energy sectors. As vice president representing the region, Cecilia is expanding Webcor’s focus to include higher education, life science, commercial, and healthcare sectors. Bringing her back into the Webcor family now makes sense, according to Executive Vice President and Chief Operating Officer Matt Rosalie. “She can provide us with an instant connection to the sectors we want to go after,” he says. “She brings to Webcor an established presence in San Diego and a deep understanding of the markets we’re interested in, San Diego subcontractors, and the way things get done in the region.”

Cecilia is a high-performing leader who carries 25 years of experience in the construction industry. Her broad professional background encompasses construction operations, preconstruction, strategic planning and execution, business development, communications, and marketing. She holds a BS in Construction Engineering & Management from Purdue University and is a dedicated member of the San Diego business and philanthropic community.

ARCHITECTURE

AC Martin is proud to announce the expansion of the AC Martin family following the integration of two firms – Tagawa Smith Martin and ATI Architects. With expanded leadership and talent acquisition, AC Martin is uniquely situated to take advantage of the changes in the way people live, work, and play, the things that will need to change in our educational institutions and public spaces, and the ways in which people interact with their surroundings and each other. With this expansion, AC Martin welcomes Massimo Meloncelli, as a Senior Designer focusing on a range of mixed-use, residential and hospitality projects within the private sector. With over 8 years of experience, Massimo will be based in San Diego augmenting the team in Los Angeles and Northern California. He has proven success in a broad spectrum of building types, including high-rise residential developments, mixed-use complexes, hotels and corporate office projects. With an undergraduate degree in Construction and Building Science from the Polytechnic University of Milan, Massimo received a Master of Architecture degree from the NewSchool of Architecture and Design in San Diego.

LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE

McCullough Landscape Architecture Welcomes New Staff, Announces Promotion

McCullough Landscape Architecture welcomes new staff members: Justin Timko, Associate; Kally Gaughan, Junior Associate; and Carolina Luna, Accounting Manager. Johanna Mall was recently promoted to Associate.

During the summer of 2016 Justin completed an internship with a local San Diego landscape architect involving him in many projects. After graduating in 2017 from Clemson University with a degree in Landscape Architecture, Justin worked in Dallas, TX., first in a support role and eventually as a project leader for a variety of project types and scales. The systems and processes used to take an idea to finished product are what helped him keep looking ahead in the profession.

Johanna’s passion for design stems from her fascination with how urban and folk traditions influence landscape design. The cultural integration between her Mexican, German, and American roots gives her a unique perspective to connect people and places with a sense of empathy for the spaces she designs. She strives to apply “genius loci” to capture “the spirit of place” by designing places with a unique, vernacular cultural identity that people feel connected to. Celebrating her second anniversary with McCullough after graduating from Cal Poly San Luis Obispo, Johanna has proven her project management skills, along with her bubbly, positive attitude, earning her the promotion to Associate.

Both Justin and Johanna will be responsible for managing projects from concept to completion, client relations, creating design plans, renderings, construction details and administration.

Kally earned her degree in Landscape Architecture with a minor in Sustainable Environments from Cal Poly San Luis Obispo in 2018. After extensive internship experience and three years working in San Clemente, she returned to her hometown of San Diego. Kally has a deep love for the California landscape and an appreciation for the diversity and beauty it presents. She draws inspiration from the native environment and its sense of place, striving to create a seamless connection of people and the outdoor spaces they inhabit.

Kally will support the team with managing projects, rendering, creating design plans, construction details and administration. She will learn the role of Project Manager while working with clients, agencies, and other team members.

Carolina, a native San Diegan, began her career in the A/E industry about six years ago as an office manager and accounting assistant for an engineering firm. Prior to joining McCullough, she served as a project accountant at an architecture firm, where she worked closely with the Director of Accounting and Controller. Eager to expand her knowledge in the industry and continue her advancement in accounting and administration, Carolina joined the Society for Design Administration (SDA) in 2015 and has been a member of the Board of Directors for the San Diego chapter, currently serving as Treasurer.

Carolina will manage company financials while assisting the design staff in project management to help determine efficiencies and provide seamless financial operations for the company.