# SARAH AIPRA KOTT-TANNENBAUM

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**EDUCATION** 

2012 Washington University in St. Louis | St. Louis, MO

Master of Architecture, with Honors

2009 University of Virginia | Charlottesville, VA

Bachelor of Science in Architecture, with Honors

ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

Sam Fox School of Design & Visual Arts, Washington University in St. Louis:

2012, Spring ARCH 320: Architectural Representation I + II

Teaching Assistant, invited by Sung Ho Kim.

2012, Fall ARCH 311: Architectural Design Studio

Teaching Assistant, invited by Chandler Ahrens.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

2023 - Present Populous | Los Angeles, CA

Associate, Senior Project Designer

2020 - Present greenMUD® | Los Angeles, CA

Founder, contributor, children's book Author, and independent Publisher

2022 - 2023 Quezada Architecture | Los Angeles, CA

Senior Project Designer

2019 - 2022 **NBBJ** | Los Angeles, CA

Associate, Project Designer, Design Computation Team Leader

2018 - 2019 Skidmore, Owings, and Merrill | Los Angeles, CA

Senior Architectural Professional

2015 - 2018 **NBBJ** | Seattle, WA

Associate, Project Designer, Design Computation Leader

2015 Studio Pali Fekete Architects | Los Angeles, CA

Project Designer

2013 - 2015 Morphosis | Los Angeles, CA

Project Designer, Advanced Technology Team

2012 VMDO Architects | Charlottesville, VA

Design Intern

2011 Axi:Ome llc | St. Louis, MO

Research Assistant

2005 - 2009 (Seasonal) ACG Architects | McLean, VA

Design Intern

#### REGISTRATION AND PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS

2024 - Present Independent Author/Publisher, Independent Book Publishers Association

2024 - Present Independent Author, Society of Children's Book Writers and Illustrators

2018 - Present Associate Member, American Institute of Architects (AIA), no. 38805775

2012 - Present Licensure Candidate, National Council of Architectural Registration Boards (NCARB), no. 678263

#### **HONORS AND AWARDS**

2011 Kott, Sarah. Corporate Architects and Facility Management (CAFM) Scholarship

American Institute of Architects (AIA), St. Louis, MO. \$2,500

2010 Kott, Sarah. Dean's Scholarship

Sam Fox School of Design & Visual Arts, Washington University in St. Louis (WUSTL), St. Louis, MO

## CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS, ESSAYS AND INTERVIEWS

2024 Kott-Tannenbaum, Sarah. "Rosencrantz Laundry Basket" Author's Booth with the Independent Book

Publishers Association, American Library Association Annual Conference, San Diego, CA.

2018 Kott, Sarah. "Seattle Opera: From Concept To Construction, A Case Study In Design Computation"

Presentation, Autodesk One Team Extension, Denver, CO.

Invited by Aaron Vorwerk.

2017 Kott, Sarah. "Seattle Opera: From Concept To Construction, A Case Study In Design Computation"

Presentation, Autodesk University, Las Vegas, NV.

2017 Editors. "Backstage Access Comes Front and Center at the Seattle Opera" Flux.io for Medium interview,

December 2017. https://medium.com/@flux/backstage-access-comes-front-and-center-at-the-seattle-

opera-ff8769b30c0f

2012 Kott, Sarah. "Building With Hope" Essay, American Institute of Architects (AIA) Corporate Architects and

Facility Management (CAFM) Scholarship, May 2012. https://network.aia.org/HigherLogic/System/DownloadDocumentFile.ashx?DocumentFileKey=e9ab02d3-9670-4818-aca4-2c9c8ecb48f9

## **INVITED JURIES**

2024 Cal Poly Pomona, College of Environmental Design, Undergraduate Studio Review, invited by Maria Sviridova.

2020 Woodbury University, School of Architecture, M.Arch Studio Review, invited by Carmelia Chiang.

2019 Woodbury University, School of Architecture, M.Arch Studio Review, invited by Carmelia Chiang.

2018 University of Washington, College of Built Environments, M. Arch Studio Review, invited by Wyn Bielaska.

2017 University of Washington, College of Built Environments, M.Arch Studio Review, invited by Wyn Bielaska.

SELECTED RESEARCH, INSTALLATIONS, AND EXHIBITED WORK

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2024 Kott, Sarah and Fu, Ann, children's book Author and Independent Publisher, "Rosencrantz Laundry

Basket." March 2024.

2022 (On hold) Kott, Sarah, Design Director, research in parametric design and additive manufacturing of earthenware

artworks, Los Angeles, CA.

2020 Kott, Sarah and Tannenbaum, Samuel, in collaboration, "Ripple Effect", Three-dimensional abstract

interpretation of the current COVID-19 infection rates in California (as of 04/01/2020, data from the LA

Times) 18" x 22" in CNC-milled wood. El Segundo Museum of Modern Art, Los Angeles, CA.

#### With NBBJ Design

2022 (On hold) Kott, Sarah, Design Computation Team Leader, "Community Mud // Urban Folly", a research project by

NBBJ's Design Computation Team in collaboration with Autodesk Technology Center residency program. Research in community engagement, parametric design and digital fabrication for urban improvements. Los

Angeles, CA

Autodesk Technology Center support led by Gabrielle Patin and Ed Coe. NBBJ research co-led by David Eaton and

Stephen Clond.

2020 - 2022 Kott, Sarah, Design Computation Team Leader, partnered with the Design Performance Group on

performance-driven research and solutions for project teams, Los Angeles, CA.

Design Computation Co-Leads include Kristen Forward and Pragya Gupta. Design Performance Group led by Peter

Alspach, Margaret Montgomery, and Nate Holland.

2015 - 2022 Kott, Sarah, Design Computation Leader, specialized in parametric facade research and interoperability

across team workflows, Seattle, WA.

2015 - 2018 Design Computation Team led by Andrew Heumann (2015), Nate Holland, Marc Syp, and Dan Anthony.

2019 - 2022 research collaboration with David Eaton and Vincent Ip.

## With Morphosis Architects

2015 Kott, Sarah and Ago, Viola, Project Designer, Advanced Technology Team, led FRP research and insolation

analysis for performance-driven brise soleil facade, Los Angeles, CA.

Advanced Technology Team led by Cory Brugger and Kerenza Harris.

2014 Kott, Sarah and Ago, Viola, Project Designer, Advanced Technology Team, researched geometric

optimization and led the panelization of complex facades in Grasshopper for Rhino, Los Angeles, CA.

Advanced Technology Team led by Cory Brugger and Kerenza Harris.

2013 Kott, Sarah, Project Designer, Advanced Technology Team, led parametric design and material research for

overall building massing, interior atrium liners, and facade articulation in Grasshopper for Rhino, Los

Angeles, CA.

Advanced Technology Team led by Cory Brugger and Kerenza Harris.

2013 Kott, Sarah, WUSTL Alumni, participated in the "Drawing: Alumni Exhibition 2014", Sam Fox School of

Design & Visual Arts, Washington University in St. Louis, St. Louis, MO.

Invited by Chandler Ahrens.

## With Axi:Ome

2011 Kott, Sarah, Research Assistant, led material research in a holographic films, light, color and reflectivity for

the 'Prism Tower' (unbuilt), St. Louis, MO.

Design Direction led by Sung Ho Kim.

Student Work With Sam Fox	School of Design & Visual Arts	, Washington University in St. Louis
(WUSTL)		

2011 Kott, Sarah, M.Arch studio in collaboration with THE VERY MANY, participated in the design, research and fabrication of "plasti(k) pavilion" for Botanical Heights neighborhood, St. Louis, MO.

M.Arch Digital Fabrication Studio led by Ken Tracy.

# SELECTED DESIGN PROJECTS

	With NBBJ Design, Los Angeles CA
2021 - 2023	Kott, Sarah, Project Designer, UCLA Wooden Center and Ashe Student Health Seismic Improvements, Seismic Retrofit, Los Angeles, CA (scheduled to begin construction in 2022).
2021 - 2022	Kott, Sarah, Project Designer, Montage Health Ohana Center for Child and Adolescent Behavioral Health, Behavioral Health, Monterey, CA (under construction).
2021	Kott, Sarah, Project Designer, UCLA Health Integrative Medicine Feasibility Study , MOB Feasibility, Santa Monica, CA (unbuilt).
2021	Kott, Sarah, Computational Designer, Penplace Amazon HQ2 at Arlington, Commercial High-Rise, Arlington, VA (scheduled to begin construction in 2022).
2019 - 2020	Kott, Sarah, Architectural Associate, Warner Bros Corporate Interiors, Tenant Improvement, Burbank, CA (under construction).
	With Skidmore, Owings, and Merrill, Los Angeles CA
2018	Kott, Sarah, Senior Architectural Professional and Project BIM Lead, Los Angeles World Airports (LAWA) Police Headquarters, Civic Headquarters, Los Angeles, CA (built).
	With NBBJ Design, Seattle WA
2015 - 2018	Kott, Sarah, Computational Designer, Seattle Opera at the Center, Civic and Performing Arts, Seattle, WA (built).
	With Studio Pali Fekete Architects, Los Angeles
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# With VMDO, Charlottesville VA

2012 Kott, Sarah, Design Intern, Liberty University Montview Student Union + Dining, Higher-Education,

Lynchburg, VA, US (built).

With Axi:Ome, St. Louis MO

2011 Kott, Sarah, Research Assistant, Prism Tower, Arts and Culture High-Rise, Winston Salem, NC, US

(unbuilt).

SERVICE, TRAINING, AND PEER REVIEW

2024 (Forthcoming) ACADIA 2023 Conference: Habits of the Anthropocene | University of Colorado, Denver, CO

Scientific Committee Member

2022 ACADIA 2022 Conference: Hybrids & Haecceities | University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, PA

Scientific Committee Member

2021 - 2022 NBBJ: Tech Thursday | Los Angeles, CA

Organizer and Contributor, co-organizers included Kristen Forward, Anne Gustavson, Stephen Clond, and Atharva

2021 ACADIA 2021 Conference: Realignments | Online

Scientific Committee Member

2021 Inner City Arts: 2021 Gala 'Art Unbound' | Los Angeles, CA

Participant and NBBJ patron representative

2021 NBBJ: Innovation Workshop | Los Angeles, CA

Organizer and Contributor, co-organizers included Nate Holland, Kristen Forward, and Pragya Gupta

2020 ACADIA 2020 Conference: Distributed Proximities | Online

Scientific Committee Member, invited by Viola Ago.

2018 -2019 SOM: Women in Architecture Forum and Mentorship | Los Angeles, CA

Contributor and Mentor

2017 - 2018 NBBJ: TechFriday | Seattle, WA

Founder, Moderator, and Contributor

2017 Autodesk University | Las Vegas, NV

Presenter

2016 Autodesk University | Las Vegas, NV

Attendee and Advanced Dynamo Workshop Participant

2015 - 2017 NBBJ: Grasshopper User Group (GHUG) | Seattle, WA

Organizer and Contributor, co-organizers included Andrew Heumann, Nate Holland, and Dan Anthony

2015 NBBJ: Hackathon | Seattle, WA

Contributor, Organized by Andrew Heumann, Nate Holland, and Dan Anthony.

2014 ACADIA 2014 Conference: Design Agency | Los Angeles, CA

Attendee and 'Design Glitch' Hackathon Participant, 2014 Hackathon organized by Jose Sanchez, Kris Mun and

Jason Kelly Johnson

2014 Facades Plus Conference: Technology Workshop with Thornton Tomasetti's Building Skin Group and CORE Studio | Chicago, IL Attendee and Workshop Participant, workshop led by Matthew Naugle and Alloy Kemp. 2014 Morphosis: Visiting Lecture Series | Los Angeles, CA Organizer and Moderator, co-organizers included Viola Ago and Kerenza Harris 2013 - 2014 Morphosis: Grasshopper Standards and in-house training sessions | Los Angeles, CA Organizer and Educator, co-organizers included Viola Ago and Kerenza Harris 2010 - 2012 Alberti Architecture for Young People (with Sam Fox School of Design & Visual Arts, Washington University in St. Louis) | St. Louis, MO Educator 2010 National Building Museum: LEGO Architecture Exhibit | Washington D.C. Gallery Assistant 2009 Charlottesville Community Design Center (CCDC): Design/Build Course with Charlottesville High School (CHS) | Charlottesville, VA Gallery Assistant and Educator Monticello Department of Restoration: Historic Restoration Proposal for 'Mulberry Row' 2009 Charlottesville, VA Research Assistant Elizabeth River Project: The Learning Barge (with the University of Virginia School of Architecture) 2009 Charlottesville, VA Student Artist Contributor, Design, Research and Fabrication led by Phoebe Crisman, Artist Contribution led by Sanda Illiescu PUBLICATIONS (FEATURES AND CITATIONS OF MY WORK AND COLLABORATIONS, BY OTHER AUTHORS) With NBBJ Design, Seattle WA and Los Angeles CA 2021 Margolies, Jane. "A New Tool in Treating Mental Illness: Building Design" The New York Times, 5 January 2021. https://www.nytimes.com/2021/01/05/business/mental-health-facilities-design.html 2020 Caulfield, John. "Buildings as Open Source Platforms." Building Design + Construction Magazine, 15 April 2020. https://www.bdcnetwork.com/buildings-open-source-platforms Bernstein, Phil. "New Methods, New Results." Architecture + Urbanism (A+U), No. 579, Nobuyuki Yoshida, 2018 A+U Publishing Co., Ltd., 2018, Japan (pp. 156 - 160). 2018 Karras, Christy. "Seattle Opera has big plans for its new headquarters at Seattle Center." Seattle Times, 15 February 2018, https://www.seattletimes.com/entertainment/classical-music/seattle-opera-hasbig-plans-for-its-new-headquarters-at-seattle-center/ 2018 Borchert, Gavin. "Seattle Opera at the Center Is the New Crown Jewel of Seattle Center" Seattle Magazine, 14 December 2018. https://www.seattlemag.com/arts-and-culture/seattle-opera-center-new-crown-jewelseattle-center 2018 Borchert, Gavin. "Seattle Opera's New Heart of Glass." Seattle Weekly, 12 December 2018, https://www.seattleweekly.com/arts/seattle-operas-new-heart-of-glass/ With Studio Pali Fekete Architects, Los Angeles 2021 Johnston, Georgina. "WE3's exterior enshrouded by 'floating' perforated skin by SPF:a." World Architecture News, 23 April 2021. https://www.worldarchitecturenews.com/article/1710300/we3s-exterior-enshroudedfloating-perforated-skin-spfa

2021	Wang, Lucy. "LEED Gold-Certified WE3 shows off its skin at Silicon Beach" <i>Inhabitat</i> , 17 March 2021. https://inhabitat.com/leed-gold-certified-we3-shows-off-its-skin-at-silicon-beach/
2021	Malone, David. "New creative office space completes in Silicon Beach." Building Design + Construction Magazine, 27 January 2021. https://www.bdcnetwork.com/new-creative-office-space-completes-silicon-beach
2020	Sharp, Steven. "Rendering vs. Reality: Playa Vista's WE3 Offices" <i>Urbanize Los Angeles</i> , 15 December 2020, https://urbanize.city/la/post/rendering-vs-reality-playa-vistas-we3-offices
2018	Vincent, Roger. "San Francisco investor is building \$80-million creative offices in desirable Playa Vista" Los Angeles Times, 19 May 2018, https://www.latimes.com/business/la-fi-waters-edge-20180518-story.html
	With Morphosis Architects, Los Angeles CA
2021	Stephens, Suzanne. "Hanking Center by Morphosis Architects." <i>Architectural Record</i> , 1 May 2021. https://www.architecturalrecord.com/articles/15096-hanking- center-by-morphosis-architects
2020	Su, Stan. "Interwoven: The Kolon One & Only Tower." <i>Technology   Architecture + Design</i> , 4:2, 26 October 2020. https://doi.org/10.1080/24751448.2020.1804761 (research and design contribution not credited).
2020	Truong, Quong. "Composite Architecture: Building and Design with Carbon Fiber and FRPs." Birkhäuser, 2020.
2018	Editors. "Kolon One & Only Tower" GA Document, No. 149, ADA Edita Tokyo, 2018, Japan.
2018	Castro, Fernanda. "Kolon One & Only Tower / Morphosis Architects." <i>ArchDaily, 26 August 2018</i> . https://www.archdaily.com/900774/kolon-one-and-only-tower- morphosis-architects.
2018	Risen, Clay. "Kolon One & Only Tower / Morphosis Architects." <i>Architect Magazine</i> , 26 October 2018. https://www.architectmagazine.com/project-gallery/kolon-one-only-tower_o
2018	Marani, Matthew. "Morphosis Architects created a cloud-like facade using reinforced fiber modules." Architect's Newspaper, 6 September 2018. https://www.archpaper.com/2018/09/morphosis-architects-kolon-one-and-only/
2018	Marani, Matthew. "Morphosis Architects' Kolon One & Only propels a knotted cloud-like facade." Facades Plus, 5 September 2018. https://www.archpaper.com/2018/09/morphosis-architects-kolon-one-and-only/
2016	Berg, Nate. "Hanking Center Tower / Morphosis Architects." <i>Architect Magazine</i> , 26 February 2016. https://www.architectmagazine.com/project-gallery/hanking-center-tower_o
2016	Castro, Fernanda. "Hanking Center Tower in China to Become Tallest Detached Core Building Worldwide." ArchDaily, 31 December 2016. https://www.archdaily.com/802447/hanking-center-tower-in-china-to-become-tallest-detached-core-building-worldwide
2015	Editors. "Kolon Future Research Park." GA Document, International 2015, No. 132, ADA Edita Tokyo, 2015, Japan.
2015	Mayne, Thom. "M: Morphosis." Equal Books, 2015, (pp. 258 - 283; 306 - 345; 346 - 373; 392 - 407)
	With Axi:Ome, St. Louis MO
2016	Woofter, Heather and Kim, Sung Ho. "3 Stages of Architectural Education." Ed. Luis Carranza, Damdi Architectural Press, Seoul, S. Korea, 2016.