

BIG TENT DESIGN STUDIO

ABOUT BIG TENT DESIGN STUDIO

BIG TENT DESIGN provides comprehensive architectural services, emphasizing innovative solutions. Committed to understanding client cultures and needs, we develop designs that prioritize immediate project requirements while also ensuring long-term value and adaptability.

COMPANY IDENTIFIERS

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DUNS: 119183902
CAGE: 9SRG9

CERTIFICATIONS

DC CBE: LSDZRE75264042027
WMATA MBE: MBE0002372
WMATA DBE: DBE0004341
MDOT DBE: 24-499
MWAA SBLE: SL21608079

CODES & CLASSIFICATIONS

NAICS CODES:
541310, 541430, 541410, 541340

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9060000, 9070000, 9180000,
9181910, 9060705, 9063800,
9060700, 9096200, 9183100

STAFF

John Oduro, AIA
Licensed Architect (DC, MD, VA)
Principal & Founder

MEMBERSHIPS

American Institute of Architects (AIA)
Society of Registered Architects (SARA)

MD/DC APPA
(Association of Physical Plant Administrators)

CORE CAPABILITIES

BIG TENT DESIGN serves a diverse clientele, both public and private. Our competencies span a broad spectrum of architectural services.

- Architectural design with expertise in childcare, education, and Housing
- Master Planning
- Interior Design and Space Planning
- Construction Documentation and Contract Administration
- Surveying, Documentation and Building Information Modeling (BIM)
- 3D Computer Modeling and Visualization
- Environmental Graphics, Signage, and Way finding Solutions

PAST CLIENTS

Government / Institutional

- NASA / Goddard Space Flight Center - Office and Lab Re-configurations

Childcare and Educational

- Growing Minds Together Childcare Center, Washington DC
- Aidan Montessori School, Washington DC

Commercial / Retail

- Made With Love Maker Space - Washington, DC
- The McCuiston Group Lactation & Pediatrics, Washington DC

Housing - Commercial Group Home Renovation

- Helena's House Inc - Residential Group Home Care - Washington, DC
- New Washington Land Company Property Management - Washington, DC

DIFFERENTIATORS

Client-Centric Collaboration:

We prioritize the importance of clear and consistent communication to ensure that our clients are engaged and informed at every step of the design process. We endeavor to thoroughly understand the unique needs and culture of our clients and work to foster a collaborative relationship based on this understanding.

Balanced Design Philosophy:

Our goal is to consistently develop budget-conscious solutions that are aligned with client's expectations while pushing the boundaries of innovation.

Cutting-Edge Technology Integration:

Leveraging technology is integral to our process. We employ 3D visualization and Building Information Modeling (BIM) to ensure the accuracy and coordination of our design work. We liberally employ Artificial Intelligence (AI) design tools enhance our ability to efficiently generate and explore design options.

PRINCIPAL BIO

John Oduro began his career at Carnegie Mellon's School of Architecture and was furthered as a Fulbright Scholar in the department of Geography at University College, London.

His time in England provided a strong foundation for a diverse architectural career in the Washington, D.C., region where he contributed to a variety of projects ranging from K-12 schools to residential housing. Most notably, he led the \$38 million development of a suburban Virginia elementary school, and the \$10 million transformation of an abandoned church into a public charter school in Washington, D.C.

In 2022, drawing on nearly two decades of experience, John founded Big Tent Design Studio to create spaces that blend, functionality, sustainability, efficiency and cultural significance.