

**Women in Architecture Committee meeting forum, May 19, 2021  
Allies with the Asian Design Community Speaker Profiles**

**PANELISTS**



**Bianca Weeko Martin**

Master of Architecture Candidate | University of Waterloo  
Publications Manager, RAP/LASG

Bianca Weeko Martin is a Master of Architecture candidate at the University of Waterloo in Canada. She has work experience at architectural and development firms in Mexico, Australia, Canada and the US, including an internship position at NYC-based Robert A.M. Stern Architects where she contributed to the design of public and large scale residential buildings. Currently Bianca has a publishing, web and sculptural design role at the Living Architecture Systems Group in Toronto. Her SSHRC-funded thesis research seeks alternative narratives of architectural history and representation, using as a case study an ancestral house in the Philippines.



**Amanda L. Miller, AIA NOMA | she, her, hers**  
Project Architect, Hoffmann Architects  
Co-Chair | AIANY Diversity + Inclusion Committee

Amanda L. Miller, AIA, NOMA is a practicing architect and collaborative leader who promotes and creates opportunities for design equity and advocacy. She currently co-chairs the Diversity and Inclusion Committee at AIA New York, and in 2018 she was selected as a member of the chapter's Civic Leadership Program. Focusing on diversity in design, she has organized a variety of events, including the multi-day Black in Design Conference at Harvard University, and the ongoing 'unconference' Spaces and Places convening in parallel to the National Planning Conference. She brings her wide-ranging background in corporate, educational, and multi-family residential projects to her current work as a building enclosure consultant at Hoffmann Architects.



**Sara Ngan, AIA, LEED AP**  
Senior Associate | FXCollaborative

Sara Ngan is a Senior Associate at FXCollaborative and co-chair of FXWomen, the firm's women's group, serves on the Advisory Board of AIANY's Women in Architecture Committee, and participates in multiple industry groups.

She is also a project architect with experience on a wide range of projects with a focus on New York City. She starts each opportunity by considering the totality of people's experience—from the street, entering a building, and within each room. Adept at a full range of projects—from large multi-family residential buildings and landmark building conversions to interior office design—she uses knowledge gained from one project to enhance the development of another, enabling her to respond dynamically to each client's professional needs. With over 15 years of experience, Sara currently serves as Project Architect/Manager for Apex Place and as Project Architect for the fit-out of FXCollaborative's new offices at 1 Willoughby Square in Brooklyn. Her past projects include The Greenwich Lane and Webster Apartments. She holds a Bachelor of Architecture from Carnegie Mellon University and is a registered architect in New York



**Mindy No, AIA, LEED AP BD+C**  
Principal | Perkins Eastman

Mindy No, AIA, LEED AP BD+C, Principal at Perkins Eastman, has cultivated a portfolio of diverse, high-profile, and award-winning academic and civic projects, from performing arts centers and museums to academic buildings and libraries. With extensive experience directing projects of varying scales and typologies, Mindy employs a creative and resourceful approach to projects in the public and private sectors, while maintaining the design integrity throughout the lifespan of a project. In addition, Mindy firmly believes in supporting and encouraging emerging young talent; outside of work, she serves on the Board of Directors for The ACE Mentor Program GNY and Co-Chair of the NYC CTE Engineering & Architecture Commission.



**Ayumi Sugiyama, AIA, LEED AP BD+C**  
Director of Cultural Projects | SHoP Architects

Ayumi Sugiyama is Director of Cultural Projects at SHoP Architects with an expertise in the design and delivery of complex urban projects with significant public space programs and complicated stakeholder groups. Ayumi has acted as project director for several of the firm's most prominent and award-winning projects, including the Barclays Center arena in Brooklyn, the American Copper Buildings and the New Academic Building at FIT in New York, and the SITE Santa Fe contemporary art center in New Mexico, where she also spearheaded the conceptualization and design of workSHoP, an exhibition of SHoP's body of work. Her current projects include a mixed use towers in downtown Toronto and Harlem, and a residential tower in Rotterdam. Ayumi also organizes the Art Talk series at SHoP, engaging artists and organizations to exchange work and processes and building a foundation for better integrating art into architectural projects from their conception. She received a Master of Architecture from Yale University and a Bachelor of Arts in Architecture from the University of California, Berkeley.

## FACILITATOR



**Kerry Nolan, AIA**  
Senior Associate | Beyer Blinder Belle

Kerry Nolan is a Senior Associate at Beyer Blinder Belle Architects and Planners with more than 20 years of expertise leading project teams through the development of design and construction documents and coordinating the work of the consultant team. She's currently serving as the Executive Project Architect on the New York Public Library Midtown Campus Renovation project, including projects at the Stephen A. Schwarzman Building and the Mid-Manhattan Library. She received a Bachelor of Architecture from the Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University and a Master of Science in Advanced Architectural Design from Columbia University. Kerry is on the Advisory Board of the American Institute of Architects New York Women in Architecture Committee. She joined BBB in 2015.

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