

# DESIGN-BUILD TEAM // BIOS

## **DWL ARCHITECTS + PLANNERS, INC. // Prime Architect, Design Team Lead and Terminal Planning**

[DWL Architects + Planners](#), Arizona's premier aviation architect, has worked at Phoenix Sky Harbor International Airport (PHX) for more than 50 years as a committed partner and trusted advisor, completing more than 200 projects to date. Playing a leading role in the development of the airport, DWL has provided architectural services that have grown the facility from one terminal to three. The core team has worked at the airport on terminal expansions, renovations, new concourses, concessions, checkpoints and more. Because of this expertise and unparalleled understanding of PHX culture, DWL Architects + Planners orchestrated the assembly of the project team for the Terminal 3 Modernization. DWL's role as the prime architect includes local and jurisdictional expertise, aviation and operational knowledge, as well as effective guidance navigating client relationships. In addition to being the design team lead, DWL's specific architectural role includes the core building design focusing on the overall terminal planning.

## **SMITHGROUPJJR // Design Lead | Exterior, Lighting, Landscape, Sustainability**

[SmithGroupJJR](#) is recognized as one of the nation's top architecture and engineering firms and the recipient of more than 400 design awards just in the past five years. Among the firm's most recognized airport designs is Detroit Metropolitan Airport's two million-square-foot, \$1.2 billion McNamara Terminal, which propelled the airport to be ranked by J.D. Power as one of the best airports in the world. After its completion of the McNamara Terminal and subsequent additions, SmithGroupJJR has worked with other major U.S. airports including Phoenix Sky Harbor International Airport and Los Angeles World Airports (LAX) on projects. With a long-time presence in Arizona that dates back to 1978 upon the opening of its Phoenix office, SmithGroupJJR has become well known for its design excellence in the community; among its most lauded designs are Chandler City Hall, GateWay Community College's new Integrated Education Building, and the first net-zero energy project in Arizona: the DPR Construction regional headquarters building.

## **CORGAN // Programming and Interiors Design Lead**

[Corgan](#) is a 78-year-old architectural firm with nearly 200 professionals dedicated exclusively to the planning and design of aviation facilities. The firm has worked with airport and airline clients for over 65 years and believes collaboration with clients is the single most important part of the design process, which has been key to the firm's success in earning more than 90% return in client business. Corgan has built lasting relationships with aviation clients at more than 150 airports across the globe through a process grounded in the ability to listen, establish true partnerships and build consensus. These partnerships, in conjunction with the ability to deliver complex terminal programs, are a direct contribution to the firm's recognition as Building Design + Construction Magazine's 2016 #1 Airport Terminal Architecture Firm. Leveraging its extensive research in wayfinding and international aviation design expertise, Corgan's role in the PHX Terminal 3 Modernization project focused on programming and leading the interior design effort to elevate the passenger experience and enhance interior circulation.

## **HUNTAUSTIN, A JOINT VENTURE // Design-Builder**

[HuntAustin](#), a Joint Venture, is a 50-50 legal entity and partnership between managing partner, Hunt Construction Group, and Austin Commercial, LP. HuntAustin is comprised of seasoned design and construction professionals whose talents span a full breadth of expertise. The HuntAustin team includes individuals with capability, knowledge, and passion that is unsurpassed in the industry, including in-depth national aviation experience, an innovative technical staff, prior experience working with the City of Phoenix Aviation Department, and a personal commitment to Phoenix Sky Harbor International Airport. HuntAustin's national aviation experience also includes the delivery of more than 36 million square feet at 21 of the nation's busiest airports, including: Atlanta, Dallas/Fort Worth, Denver, Detroit, Indianapolis, Los Angeles, Miami, Nashville, Sacramento, and San Francisco.

# KEY PERSONNEL // BIOS

## **STEVE RAO, AIA | Design Team Director, DWL Architects + Planners, Inc.**

With more than 25 years of experience delivering critical projects at PHX, [Steve Rao](#)'s pride in the history and evolution of Sky Harbor airport makes this project very personal. He has been an integral member in developing the HuntAustin Joint Venture and cultivated the team of experts that make up the design partnership on the Terminal 3 Modernization Program. Rao has provided leadership of the entire design effort from the start of design through construction. As the director of design, Rao understands the airport's interdepartmental communication and embraces his role as a facilitator to balance staff concerns and needs within a set of complex design requirements. He provides a depth of aviation knowledge and impartial guidance through the design process, keeping the City of Phoenix and Sky Harbor's best interest in mind at all times.

As the president of DWL, and for the past 20 years, Rao has led the firm's transportation division, the region's most experienced local aviation and transportation team, specifically in the aviation industry. Rao received a Bachelor of Arts in Architecture from Columbia University and a Master of Architecture from Arizona State University. He enjoys the challenge of a complex facility and has managed more than \$1 billion worth of aviation work at airports throughout the Southwest. His aviation-related experience ranges from terminal planning and design, to security-related upgrades, to a wide variety of tenant improvements. With over 35 years of experience, Rao is equipped with the ability to manage multi-headed clients, tight schedules, difficult operational hurdles and complex-phasing issues.

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## **MARK RODDY, FAIA, LEED AP BD+C | Design Director, SmithGroupJJR**

[Mark Roddy](#) serves as design director for SmithGroupJJR, one of the largest architecture and engineering firms in the U.S. Recognized as a prolific designer throughout his career, his projects have won more than 60 design awards. Among the most notable is Chandler City Hall, Chandler, Ariz., named "2012 Project of the Year" by ENR Southwest and selected by the American Institute of Architect's (AIA) Committee on the Environment as a national Top Ten green project. He also designed the net-zero energy, LEED Platinum Phoenix Regional Office for DPR Construction, a project nationally recognized for its highest level of sustainable design. Currently, Roddy is serving as SmithGroupJJR's design principal for the \$590 million Phoenix Sky Harbor International Airport Terminal 3 modernization project..

Roddy was inducted into the American Institute of Architects' prestigious College of Fellows in 2014. He also is a recipient of AIA Arizona's highest honor, The Arizona Architects Medal, given to members who have advanced the profession of architecture in recognition of their outstanding professional achievements and leadership in the design community. He is a past president of the AIA Phoenix chapter.

Roddy lends his creative talents to design spaces that respond to the surrounding community and its culture. He believes architecture should be expressive and environmentally responsible, achieving a balance between beauty and function.

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