

Amanda Ugorji

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EDUCATION:

- '20- Massachusetts Institute of Technology, M. Arch Candidate 2024
Cambridge, MA
- '14 - '18 Brown University, B.A. Architecture
Providence, Rhode Island
Courses include: Modern Architecture, Designing the 21st Century City in West Africa
- '16 - '18 Rhode Island School of Design, Advanced Standing Degree
Providence, Rhode Island
Courses include: Architectural Design, Unwall the Border, Women in Architecture

DESIGN:

- '21-22 **Soft Cities, Textile Artist**
Researched and mapped black Boston neighborhoods
Crafted large scale textile maps
- '21 SP '22 **Urban Risk Lab, Research Assistant**
Prepared FEMA toolkit for community workshops
Developed emergency shelter plans for Chelsea, MA
Researched and designed public health Bosai+ products
- '20 S '21 SP '22 **Hester St, Project Associate**
Prepared and facilitated for community workshops
Developed innovative community engagement tools
Researched, gathered, analyzed, and visualized data
- '19 W-S '20 S '21 SP '22 **RAICES, Graphic Design Intern**
Designed and produced internal and external media
Researched and filed open and closed cases respectively
Gained insight into the immigration legal process
- '19 S '20 **Clifford Paramount Picture, Art Department PA/Researcher**
Researched and archived design concepts
Constructed research presentations
Scouted and documented local design precedents
- '18 F '18 **The Food That Built America, Art Department PA/Set Dresser**
Assisted in set fabrication and construction
Dressed set locations
- '18 S '18 **Michael Kim Associates, Internship**
Researched and produced development feasibility studies
Surveyed site topography
Drew building elevations and site plans
- '17 W '15, '17 **Epstein Joslin Architects, Internship**
Rendered digital models for client presentations
Managed model shipment and safety
Contacted and liaised with clients and suppliers

LEADERSHIP & COMMUNICATION:

- '21 SP '18 SP '21 **Online Radio Host**
Hosted interview based talk show at WAWD? Radio
- '21 SP '18 SP '21 **Downcity Design, Volunteer Teaching Assistant**
Guided students in design process

MOVEMENT:

- '18 SP '18 **Brown TAPS Department, Teaching Assistant**
Led classes and taught various Mande dance styles
Co-coordinated and fundraised for Rhythm of Change
Dance Festival
- '18 F '18 **Brown TAPS Department, Dancer**
Performed and danced in New Works / World Tradition
Dance Company

SKILLS:

TECHNICAL:

- Adobe Suite**
Highly Proficient
- Rhino**
Highly Proficient
- Sketch-up**
Highly Proficient
- Climate Analysis**
Highly Proficient
- GIS**
Highly Proficient
- CAD**
Proficient
- West African Dance**
Novice

LANGUAGES:

- English**
Native Language
- Spanish**
Limited Working
Proficiency
- Mandarin**
(Simplified)
Limited Working
Proficiency
- Korean**
Elementary
Proficiency

ACCOMPLISHMENTS:

- '21 **CAMIT Grant Recipient, Artist**
- '21 **Graduate Student Experience Grant Recipient, Organizer**
- '21 **Just Practice, Co Founder**
- '20- **Still Fighting Institutional Oppression, Activist**
Advocated for reform in her role as an March admissions student-reviewer, mentor to minority applicants, Architecture Student Government representative, National Organization for Minority Architects Student Member
- '18 **[Women in Architecture Website and Database, Team Member](#)**
Researched and managed database aimed at rewriting women into architectural history
- '18 **Fighting Institutional Oppression, Activist**
Advocated for a reform of the Architecture Department at Brown University to eliminate structural barriers that prevent students of BIPOC from pursuing the discipline