

SHARENA STEEPLE

ARCHITECTURAL DESIGNER | MULTIDISCIPLINARY DESIGNER



EDUCATION

California Baptist University

B.Arch & M.Arch Candidate

Class of 2028

- President's List Honors

PREVIOUS STUDIES

Academy of Art / Portland State / UNC Greensboro/ Georgia State : Focused on Interior Architecture, Materiality, and Design Thinking.

CLUBS & ORGANIZATIONS

NOMAS CBU Chapter

(National Organization of Minority Architect Students)

President | 2026 - Present

Junior Vice President | 2024 - 2025

- Architects of Tomorrow (AOT) - Mentor at architecture workshops for grades 5-12

NSBE CBU Chapter

(National Society of Black Engineers)

- inVision - Engineering project cohort won 1st place at the Annual Bob Goodrich Business Plan Competition
- Outreach & Distribution
- Mentor at STEAM Workshops

LANGUAGES

English: **Native**

Spanish: **Intermediate B1**

SKILLS

Cross-disciplinary Collaboration

Research

User-Centered Design

Narrative Development

Spatial Branding & Environmental Graphics

Marketing Design (Print & Digital)

Web & UI/UX Design

TOOLS & SOFTWARE

AutoCAD, Revit, SketchUp, Rhino

Lumion, D5, Twinmotion

Figma, HTML/CSS

Canva, Adobe Creative Suite:

(Illustrator, Photoshop, InDesign,

Lightroom, XD, AfterEffects)

PROFESSIONAL PROFILE

Architectural researcher, student and designer with over 13 years of experience in visual systems and spatial storytelling. Currently pursuing a Master of Architecture at California Baptist University, focusing on the merging of ancient wisdom, bio-geometry, and modern health. Specialist in designing and researching architecture that integrates environmental graphics, ethnographic research, and biophilic systems to enhance the human condition.

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ARCHITECTURAL & RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

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Sep 2024 - Present

- Conducting advanced research on sustainable design practices and innovative material solutions.
- Developing structural plans and conceptual drawings emphasizing compliance with safety regulations and human welfare.

Field Researcher | Puerto Rico

July 2022, 2023, 2024

- Spent three consecutive summers documenting the healing effects of the El Yunque rainforest, the beach and riverside of Luquillo, and the physiological benefits of off-grid, bio-harmonic living in Las Marias.

OCCUPATIONAL EXPERIENCE

Founder & Principal Designer ShaRena Steeple Studio

Dec 2012 - Present

- Lead strategic messaging and narrative development for over 100 clients, aligning physical and digital environments.
- Collaborate with organizations to create participatory design frameworks and branded environments that prioritize occupant engagement.
- Integrate spatial logic into branding to support the development of physical hubs.

Staff Designer Lancer Media Group

Riverside, CA Oct 2024 - Present

- Design marketing assets, editorial layouts, and branded content for campus-wide magazine publication.
- Collaborate with writers, photographers, and editors to produce visually compelling stories that reflect student life and institutional identity.

Design Manager | FLOOR & DÉCOR

Atlanta, GA Jun 2013 - Oct 2016

- Informed customers of the best tile/wood/stone for their residential/commercial design projects
- Consulted on material selection, suitability, maintenance, and installation
- Resolved computation of measurements and material quantity in scale projects
- Spearheaded design process to align with client specifications and budget.

CORE RESEARCH & COMPETENCIES

Bio-Geometric Design: Investigating the relationship between architectural forms and the human energetic field.

Regenerative Systems: Documented off-grid living, spring-water integration, and bio-gas systems in high-humidity tropical climates (Las Marias, PR).

Ethnographic Spatial Research: Utilizing user-centered design to ensure cultural authenticity and emotional health in residential housing.