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SOM

Design

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A Multidisciplinary Practice



Timeless design for over 75 years

SOM was founded in 1936 following Skidmore and Owing's successful collaboration on the 1933 Exposition 'A Century of Progress' in Chicago.



Louis Skidmore

Nathaniel A. Owings



John O. Merrill

A Second Generation

Pushing SOM to Achieve Design Excellence



Gordon Bunshaft Pritzker Prize 1988

Bruce Graham



Fazlur R. Kahn

Our Staff are Specialists

SOM invites designers from Architecture School and allows them to Specialise



Derek Moore New York

> Expert in Transport Planning



Lonny Israel San Francisco

Expert in Graphic Design



Jaime Valez New York

> Expert in Workplace Design



Dmitri Jajich London

Expert in Structural Engineering



Takang Hsu London

Expert in 3D Parametric Design

An Integrated International Practice

SOM currently employs 1130 people across 12 offices



Multidisciplinary Practice

Firm wide Distribution of Staff Across Disciplines



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London Office Distribution of Staff Across Disciplines



Our staff are diverse

London Office: 29 Languages, 26 Nationalities



A Significant Body of Work

SOM has built more than 10,000 projects



Modern Architects

Innovating and Adapting

"From the modern office building to the rural corporate campus and the great developer skyscraper, the contemporary airport and rail station, to say nothing of the populization of modern architecture in general. SOM was there."

Nicholas Adams, Skidmore Owings & Merrill, the Experiment since 1936.



King Abdul Aziz International Airport – Hajj Terminal Jeddah, Saudi Arabia Ruck-A-Chucky Bridge Auburn, CA USA Changi International Airport - Terminal 3 Changi, Singapore



Design Excellence

A Single Goal, a Diverse Approach

SOM's multiple offices

"Despite a public face that sometimes appears monolithic, SOM functions more like a federated group of city states or affiliated research teams, each ruled in its own way with its own sense of history and purpose. The goals may be identical but each of the partners gives them slightly different weight."

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Consistent Design Excellence

Timeless award-winning design



Lever House New York, New York 1980 AIA



John Hancock Tower Chicago, Illinois 1993 AIA



US Air Force Chapel Colorado Springs, Colorado 1997 AIA



Weyerhaeuser HQ Tacoma, Washington 2001 AIA



National Commercial Bank Jeddah, Saudi Arabia 2008 AIA



King Abdul Aziz Airport Jeddah, Saudi Arabia 2010 AIA

SOM Today

The continued pursuit of timelessness



Burj Khalifa Dubai, UAE

One World Trade Centre

New York

Trump Tower Chicago, Illinois

JTI Headquarters Geneva, Switzerland

Broadgate Tower London, UK

Multi disciplinary = Collaborative

Internal Design Review

Leading the Industry

Design Excellence





Most Innovative Architecture Firm Fast Company



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Number 1 Architecture Firm Architect Magazine



...and then to our Peers

The SOM Journals





Strength in Specialism

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Drawing on the expertise of a diverse and multi-disciplinary firm



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Sustainable Design

Energy + Net Zero Building

Interior Design

JTI Mount Street

Structural Engineering

Timber Tower Research Project





Structural Engineering

The Guggenheim, Bilbao, Spain (Architecture by Frank Gehry)



Architects & Engineers

Huge Icons to Small Gems

Design Excellence



Burj Khalifa Dubai, UAE

Cathedral of Christ the Light Oakland, CA, USA

SOM Engineering

A Rich Legacy

SOM Partner Fazlur Kahn, creator of the 'bundled tube' spearheaded the firm's legacy of complex engineering projects.



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John Hancock Center Chicago. USA

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Willis Tower (formerly Sears Tower) Chicago, USA

Pushing the Boundaries

SOM Tall Buildings

6 of the world's **15** tallest buildings were designed and engineered by SOM.



Non SOM

From left to right Burj Khalifa, Makkah Royal Clock Tower Hotel, Taipei 101, Shanghai World Financial Centre, International Commerce Center, Petronas Tower 1 & 2, Zifeng Tower, Willis Tower (formerly Sears Tower), KK 100, Guangzhou International Finance Center, Trump International Hotel & Tower, Jin Mao Building, Princess Tower, Al Hamra Firdous

The Tallest Building in the World

The Burj Khalifa, Dubai

Achieving and delivering the tallest building in the world would not have been possible without collaboration between our architects and our engineers from the outset of design

Designing Deliverable Buildings

The Real Value of Collaboration

Without early input from engineers, the essence of a building's design concept may be lost through the value engineering necessary to actually deliver it, if it can be delivered at all.



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If, however, engineers are involved from the outset, the engineering will be integral to the design concept:

•The implication of design decisions on **cost can be understood** from the outset

 Identified early on in the design process, constraints can be translated into opportunities for great design ideas



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SOM Case Study 1: Iris Tower Competition, Paris

Paris





Limited building footprint



The Green Carpet



Freeing up the Ground Floor









Axial Force







SOM Case Study 2: The JTI Building, Geneva



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Geneva, Switzerland

















Sustainability Concept



High Performance Glass



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High Performance Glass

From Urban Design to Interior Design



















SOM Case Study 3: Broadgate, London

The Broadgate Estate





Exchange House

10.00

Liverpool Street Station



Exchange House

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A Bridge Building

LINE

201 Bishopsgate & The Broadgate Tower

Air Rights Buildings



201 Bishopsgate & _____ The Broadgate Tower

ights Buildings

201 Bishopsgate & The Broadgate Tower

10.57

Exchange House

Liverpool Street Station

201 Bishopsgate & The Broadgate Tower

The Raft

201 Bishopsgate & The Broadgate Tower The Raft

201 Bishopsgate & The Broadgate Tower

Emerging Massing





201 Bishopsgate & The Broadgate Tower



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The Broadgate Tower

Lift Strategy





The Broadgate Tower



The Broadgate Tower




SOM Case Study 4: Manhattan Loft Gardens, London

Design Concept



Maximum Zoning Envelope





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Sculpting an Entrance







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Sculpting an Entrance



Creating a community







Maximum Zoning Envelope



Sculpting an Entrance



Creating a community



Creating a sky garden





Maximum Zoning Envelope



Sculpting an Entrance



Creating a community



Creating a sky garden



Revealing a roof terrace





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Resultant massing







Interlocking Apartments



Structural Concept



Construction Sequence: Piled Foundations & Basement





Construction Sequence: Core & Buttress Walls





Construction Sequence:

Steel Trusses









Construction Sequence: PS Truss-supported slabs













Construction Sequence: Connecting the Columns












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