

# Christine Ley

Interior Design  
Interior Architecture



## ABOUT

Christine Ley is a San Diego-based interior designer with over 20 years of experience in interior design and interior architecture, specializing in luxury residential and hospitality projects. She holds a Bachelor's degree in Interior Design with a concentration in Hospitality and Tourism Management, as well as a Master's in Architecture with a minor in Art. Before launching her consulting practice, she spent over a decade working for some of the most esteemed interior design and architecture firms in the country – experience that shaped both her technical depth and her creative instincts.

Over the past 10–15 years, Christine has served as lead designer and project manager, guiding projects from early concept through construction administration and final installation. Her work spans the full range of ID/IA deliverables, including concept development, finish and fixture specifications, furniture sourcing, design presentations, 2D & 3D modeling and renderings, and extensive construction documents and detailing. Alongside her professional work, Christine has also continued to expand her creative toolkit across graphic design, photography, advanced rendering workflows, and AI-assisted design, staying on the forefront of where creativity meets technology. Equally comfortable setting the big-picture design vision and producing the technical documentation that carries a project through to completion, she is adept at stepping into work at any phase and collaborating with teams to produce cohesive, elevated results.



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## EDUCATION

### **M.Arch. 2007**

Master of Architecture + Minor in Art  
NewSchool of Architecture & Design  
San Diego, California  
(M.Arch., Accredited Terminal Degree)

### **BS. Interior Design, 2003**

Bachelors of Science in Interior Design + Concentration  
in Hotel & Tourism Mgmt.  
Virginia Tech, Blacksburg, Virginia  
(Top 10 Interior Design Programs Nationally)

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## EXPERIENCE

### **Cley Atelier: 10/17 - Current**

**Owner | Principal**

**Senior Freelance Design Consultant**

#### **Hospitality:**

- Sunnyvale Hotel & Spa
  - Consulting for Nicole Hollis
  - IA PM on the Spa & Accessible Guestrooms
- Avov Napa Restaurant & Bar
  - Consulting for Brayton Hughes Design Studio
  - IA Construction Drawings & Detailing
- Fairmont Chateau Whistler
  - Consulting for HBA San Francisco
  - Gold Renovation Model Room CD's

#### **Residential:**

- Hollywood Hills Residence, Los Angeles CA
  - Consulting for KRSD
  - Interior Design & Construction Documents + Specifications & Renderings
- Warehouse Loft Residence, San Francisco
  - Consulting for Scheiber Design Group
  - 3D Modeling & Renderings + Construction Drawings & Detailing + InDesign Presentations
- Carolina Drive Residence, Merced CA
  - Consulting for Studio Hatch
  - IA Lead, Construction Drawings & Detailing, Custom Millwork Design + Plan Renderings
- Allied Gardens Residence, San Diego CA
  - Cley Atelier
  - ID & IA Lead & PM - 3 Bedroom Full Home Renovation. FF&E & IA CD's + Client Presentations, GC & Consultant CDN & CA
- Irvine Co. Apt Development, Newport Beach, CA
  - Consulting for Drake Design Collaborative
  - Construction Drawings & Detailing + IA Specifications & Team Coordination
- Point Loma Residence, San Diego CA
  - Consulting for Scheiber Design Group
  - 3D Modeling & Renderings + Plan Renderings
- Rancho Santa Fe Estate, CA
  - Consulting for Scheiber Design Group
  - 9,000SF New-build Estate addition. Construction Drawings & Detailing + IA Lead.

### **Brayton Hughes Design Studio: 4/16 - 10/17**

**Senior Designer | Project Manager**

#### **Hospitality:**

- Canopy by Hilton, Baltimore MD
  - IA PM & Lead for this new-build Hotel. Restaurant + Bar + Reception & Lobby + Meeting Rooms, Gym & 156 Guestrooms
  - Full IA/ID Construction Drawings & Detailing production & management + Consultant Coordination
- Yellowstone Club Bighorn Bar & Lounge, Big Sky, Montana
  - ID & IA Lead & PM
  - FF&E Design & Specifications + IA Specifications + Consultant Coordination + Construction Drawings & Detailing + Client Presentations + CA & Install Supervision

#### **Commercial:**

- Irvine Co. 600 Blocks Office Lobbies Newport Beach, CA
  - IA Lead & PM (Working with a Principal)
  - Permit Set IA Design + Construction Drawings & Detailing + IA Specifications

### **HBA San Francisco: 8/14 - 4/16**

**Senior Designer | Project Manager**

#### **Hospitality:**

- Fairmont Chateau Lake Louise, Lake Louise, Canada
  - ID & IA Design Lead & PM for this Gold Lounge & Guestrooms renovation and expansion. (full-gut renovation)
  - Custom FF&E & IA Design & Specifications + InDesign Presentation + Client Presentations + Project management + Remote CA
- Fairmont Banff Springs, Alberta Canada
  - ID & IA Design Lead & PM for this Gold Lounge renovation and expansion.
  - Custom FF&E & IA Design & Specifications + InDesign Presentation + Client Presentations + Project management



## EXPERIENCE CONTINUED

### **HBA San Francisco: 8/14 - 4/16** **Senior Designer | Project Manager**

#### **Hospitality:**

- Edgewood Resort, Lake Tahoe, Nevada
  - ID & IA Design + Construction Documents for the Spa & Salon.

#### **Residential:**

- Pacific Gate Luxury Condos, San Diego, CA
  - ID & IA Design Lead & PM for the residences and common spaces
  - PM, Design Lead + FF&E Full Design & Specifications + CD's & CA + Install for the Model Unit & Showroom + Sales Gallery

### **BAR Architects, San Francisco: 2/13 - 8/14** **Interior Designer**

#### **Residential:**

- Pacific Heights Residence, San Francisco, CA
  - High-End Single Family Residence
  - Interior Design, FF&E Selections & Specifications, Custom Millwork Design & Detailing + Fireplace Design

#### **Commercial:**

- PHI | UCLA Film Archive & Preservation Center, Santa Clarita, CA
  - ID Space Planning & FF&E Specifications

### **McCall Design Group, SF CA : 5/12 - 2/13** **Freelance Designer**

#### **Commercial | Retail:**

- Sephora, Multi Locations, Space-planning store layouts & CDs
- Victoria's Secret, Multi Locations, Space-planning store layouts & CDs

### **Forrest Perkins, San Francisco: 4/11 - 4/12** **Interior Architectural Designer**

#### **Hospitality:**

- Hilton San Francisco Union Square, SF CA
  - IA CD's + On Site CA & Project Coordination with AOR, GC & Consultants
- Ritz-Carlton Marina Del Rey, CA
  - Lobby Interior Renovation, IA Design & CD's

### **Klang & Associates, SD CA : 4/09 - 4/11** **Designer**

#### **Residential / Hospitality:**

- Dragon Springs, Beijing China
  - IA & ID, Design Lead & CD manager for 5 Model Estates + Clubhouse, Wine Bar, Ballroom, Offices and Lobby Lounge & Bar

### **Architectural Concepts, SD CA: 12/06 - 9/08** **Designer**

#### **Hospitality:**

- Club Regina, Cancun & Los Cabos, Mexico
  - ARDY Gold Award (2008) for Refurbishment
  - Existing fractional resorts, ID Renovation. Interior Design, Site Verifications & Presentation Boards + Custom Furnishing FF&E
- Island Empress, Pensacola, FL
  - Luxury Fractional High Rise New Build
  - Design Lead IA & ID + FF&E for the Wine Grotto, Lobby, Spa, Roof Terrace & Model Unit
- Golden Door Spa, Escondido, CA
  - ID & IA, Space Planning & FF&E Specifications for guestrooms & public areas

#### **Commercial:**

- It's all About the Girl, San Diego CA
  - Retail TI, ID & IA Lead for this unique and colorful retail and spa space for kids. CD's, FF&E Specifications & CA + Installation
- Sharp Electronics Office & Showroom, Santee CA
  - Full-gut TI, Interior Renovation, IA CD's and finish & fixture specifications.

### **Thoryk Architecture, San Diego CA: 6/06 - 12/06** **Designer**

#### **Residential:**

- Mulholland Drive Residence, Los Angeles, CA
  - New Build Luxury Single Family Residence AR & IA
  - Foam-Core Model Building, Topography Studies, Space Planning
- Escala Condominiums, Seattle WA
  - Luxury Multi Family Condo Residences
  - Residence IA Schematic Design Development

### **American Institute of Architects: 4/05 - 4/06** ◦ **Work Study | Intern** - San Diego CA

### **Ethan Allen: 8/03 - 10/04**

- **Interior Designer | Sales** - San Diego CA

### **Design Interiors: 5/02 - 8/02**

- **Summer Internship** - Blacksburg, VA



# SKILLS

