



UMPHAKATHI
DESIGN STUDIO

"Designing Dreams, Building Legacies"

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ABOUT US

UmPhakathi Design Studio is a black-owned architectural design firm that has been practicing since 2017. During this time, the company has been consistently successful in achieving the goals it has set for itself. The company started off in Pretoria North with the bulk of its projects being in the Hartbeespoort area. Our company is well known for its professionalism, commitment and holistic approach in enhancing client's property investment and value.

Our dynamic company offers a professional, focused and hands-on architectural design service unlike any other. We specialize in up-market waterfront houses and estates, working closely with clients to accommodate their specific needs and requirements. We ensure that the design, spatial planning and interior design of the relevant building is fully integrated into the architectural style.

OUR VISION: To bridge the apparent gap between the Architectural profession and the 3D visualization industry that exists in South Africa, delivering world-class design solutions that exceed client expectations.

OUR MISSION: To provide professional architectural services in all phases of the design process, constantly striving to stay at the forefront of residential design and 3D modelling by keeping with global design trends and constantly evolving design software.

OUR REACH: The company now has its Head Office in Braamfontein and has the ability and resources to operate throughout the Gauteng Province, Free State and the North West Province.

9+

YEARS OF EXCELLENCE

3

PROVINCES SERVED

100%

CLIENT SATISFACTION

OUR TEAM

CREDENTIALS & EXPERTISE

SIYANDA N. NKOSI

HEAD ARCHITECT

PrArch34953420

Siyanda has attained extensive experience of architectural projects in practice and in teaching. He has worked on industrial, community, residential and health care sectors. With 6 years of tertiary education teaching experience in the architectural and interior design fields at both public and private institutions (TUT, Inscape & AIE), Siyanda brings a unique blend of academic knowledge and practical expertise to every project.

EDUCATION

- M. Tech Architecture - Tshwane University of Technology (2017-2018)
- B. Tech Architecture - Tshwane University of Technology (2009-2014)
- Matric - Harrismith High School (2004)

EXPERIENCE

- **Unisa:** University Estates - Projects Architect (2023)
- BC Architectural Studio - Architect (2022)
- 472Studio - Senior Architectural Technologist (2015)

SIBUSISO F. PHAKATHI

APPRENTICE - ARCHITECTURAL TECHNOLOGIST

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Sibusiso F. Phakathi is the Founder and Head of Operations for UmPhakathi Design Studio. He studied a B. Tech in Architectural Technology at Tshwane University of Technology and an Advanced Diploma in Architecture at the University of Johannesburg and has built a reputation for excellence in residential and waterfront architecture. Since founding the studio in 2017, he has successfully delivered numerous high-end residential projects.

EDUCATION

- Adv. Dipl. Architecture - University of Johannesburg (2022)
- B. Tech Architecture - Tshwane University of Technology (2009-2013)
- Matric (2005)

EXPERIENCE

- Bi Architects - Architectural Technologist (2022)
- Louis Liebenberg Architects - Architectural Technologist (2016)
- SL Architects - Student Architectural Technologist (2014)



OUR SERVICES

COMPREHENSIVE ARCHITECTURAL SOLUTIONS

We offer professional services in all phases of the design process, including concept design, 3D modelling, development of technical documentation, and even local council submissions. We constantly strive to stay at the forefront of 3D architectural design by keeping with global trends and futuristic sustainable design innovations that efficiently optimise scarce resources.

01

PROJECT INCEPTION & CLOSE UP

We manage your project from start to finish, assessing your brief, rights, and budget. Our team provides a report on the project program and necessary consultants. As we complete the project, we prepare documentation for a handover, issue contract certificates, and deliver as-built drawings with relevant details from contractors. Your vision is our priority.

02

CONCEPT & VIABILITY CONCEPT

Our team prepares an initial design and offers advice on space provisions and planning relationships for functionality. We suggest suitable materials and building services, assess design's technical aspects, and ensure conformity with land use rights. Additionally, we review anticipated costs and project timelines to support informed decision-making.

03

DESIGN DEVELOPMENT

Our team diligently brings your architectural vision to life. We confirm the scope and complexity while ensuring compliance with regulations. Using 3D modelling, we develop designs and materials, coordinating with consultants throughout the process. We deliver stunning renders and presentations to effectively market your project.

04

LOCAL COUNCIL SUBMISSION

Our team professionally streamlines project approvals. We prepare tailored documentation, coordinating technical details with consultants. Our team creates specifications, reviews costs, and secures your authorization before submission. Trust us to handle the local council while you focus on your vision.

05

CONTRACT DOCUMENTATION

Our team streamlines the transition from design to construction. We handle construction documentation, secure client approval for tender, and evaluate submissions to recommend contract awards. Additionally, we prepare and facilitate the signing of the building contract for an efficient project kick-off.

06

CONSTRUCTION SITE SUPERVISION

Our team expertly manages your building project. We oversee the contract, hand over the site to the contractor, and issue essential documentation. Our team ensures compliance with the JBCC building contract and issues the practical completion certificate while assisting clients with occupation certificates.

COMMERCIAL PROJECTS

HEADED BY SIYANDA N. NKOSI - HEAD ARCHITECT



BOARAMELO COMBINED SCHOOL

Jagersfontein, Free State

Value: **R26 000 000** | Status: **Completed 2023**

As the Project Architect, Siyanda Nkosi led the design and documentation phases for this significant educational infrastructure project. The completed facility serves the Jagersfontein community, delivering functional learning environments within a strict budget and timeline. The school features modern classrooms, administrative facilities, and sports amenities designed to enhance the educational experience for students.

Project Lead: Siyanda Nkosi (PrArch34953420)



THE FLORIDA GAS PROJECT

Florida, Gauteng

Value: **R130 000 000** | Status: **Completion 2025**

Acting as Client Architect on this major infrastructure investment, Siyanda Nkosi oversaw quality assurance, contract administration, and ensured the built environment aligned with the client's strategic operational requirements. This industrial facility represents a significant contribution to South Africa's energy infrastructure, featuring modern processing plants, storage facilities, and administrative buildings designed to the highest safety and efficiency standards.

Project Lead: Siyanda Nkosi (PrArch34953420)



UNISA CENTRE OF EXCELLENCE IN DISABILITY

University of South Africa

Value: **R36 000 000** | Status: **Completion 2025**

Serving as the Client Architect for Unisa, Siyanda Nkosi represented the university's interests in the delivery of this specialized centre. The facility meets high standards of accessibility and operational excellence for students with disabilities. The centre features universal design principles and state-of-the-art facilities.

Project Lead: Siyanda Nkosi (PrArch34953420)

RESIDENTIAL PROJECTS

HEADED BY SIBUSISO F. PHAKATHI - HEAD OF OPERATIONS



HOUSE FINGER

Jim Fouche Park, Welkom

Size: **900m²** | 2 033m² stand | **2021**

Value: **R14 850 000**



HOUSE ADAM

Birdwood Estate, Hartbeespoort

Size: **259m²** | 806m² stand | **2018**

Value: **R4 273 500**



HOUSE MOBAI

Beau Rivage, Estate d'Afrique, Hartbeespoort

Size: **465m²** | 1 738m² stand | **2024**

Value: **R7 675 500**



HOUSE MHEMHE

Birdwood Estate, Hartbeespoort

Size: **359m²** | 1 101m² stand | **2018**

Value: **R5 923 500**



HOUSE WATKINS

Beau Rivage, Estate d'Afrique, Hartbeespoort

Size: **280m²** | 3 794m² stand | **2019**

Value: **R4 620 000**



HOUSE MAKHURA

Birdwood Estate, Hartbeespoort

Size: **656m²** | 1 592m² | **2017**

Value: **R4 273 500**

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