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2019 ALSC Architects Brochure

# **ALSC** ARCHITECTS

ALSC Architects is a leader in planning and designing school facilities of lasting quality . . . schools with personalities reflective of their communities.

We believe each school should have a character unique to its neighborhood, community and mission. The approach we offer is highly interactive and encourages the involvement of your staff, students and the community.

Our experience in educational facility planning and design includes current projects for school districts including Kennewick, Central Valley, Mead, Cheney and Spokane Public Schools.

ALSC was founded in 1948. We are a firm with a long history and a bright future. We offer a combination of strong professional experience and a commitment to fresh, creative approaches for project planning and design.

From our staff of 45 architects, interior designers, cost estimators, construction administration specialists, administrative and technical personnel we have experienced personnel available for immediate assignment to new projects.



# DESIGN PHILOSOPHY

**KidsQuist** 

ALSC's design philosophy is a reflection of our core values as a professional design firm:

**SUCCESS IS MEASURED ON YOUR TERMS:** At ALSC, we create architecture that is an authentic expression of each school district, their staff, students and community.

**COLLABORATION:** We believe that the best solutions are generated from a collaborative process that engages and benefits from the collective talents and expertise of the entire team, including District representatives and community stakeholders.

**CLEAR, OPEN COMMUNICATION:** Our approach focuses on removing communication barriers and listening, watching and gathering information. Careful processing of that information leads to an understanding of the true essence of the project and the identification of Guiding Principles (goals, needs, priorities and vision). We will clearly document needs, goals and decisions so there is clarity among all team members regarding expectations.



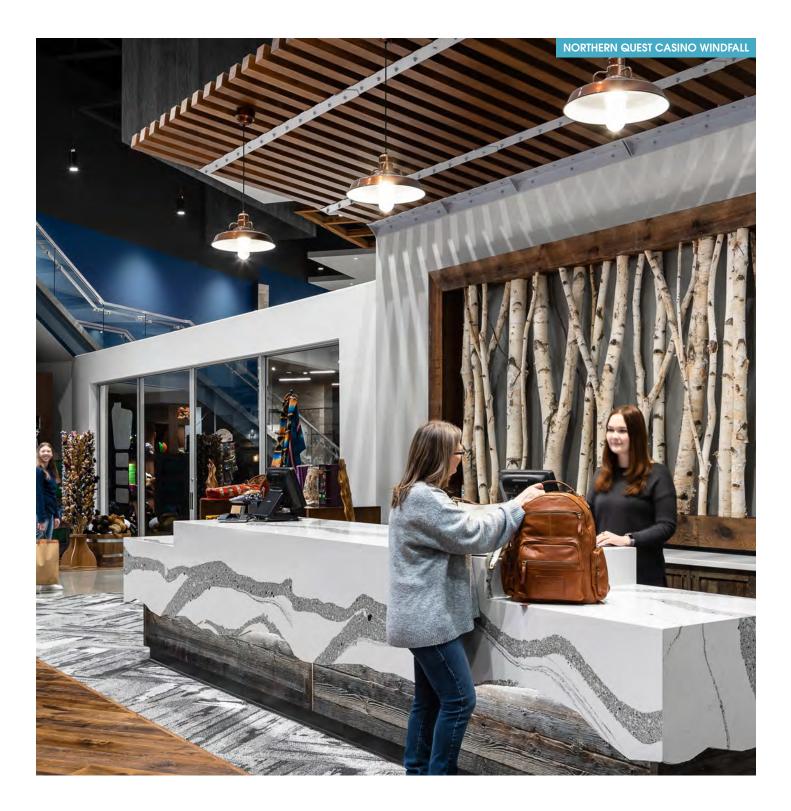
**BUILDING CONSENSUS:** Our process will build consensus among stakeholders as Guiding Principles are established for your project. The Guiding Principles will be the foundation of the design of your school. They will be used to evaluate all design options and decisions and will be the measuring stick for the final result.

**LEADERSHIP:** We will provide leadership and expertise to ensure that the design and construction of your projects exceed expectations and fulfill on commitments made to your staff, students and community.

Our approach has produced unique and imaginative architecture that is highly functional, cost effective and maintainable.



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## **RETAIL** PROJECTS

There is something special about a "brick and mortar" store that a customer can never receive online. A true retail experience comes not only from the item purchased, but from the experience delivered by the design, lighting, materials and layout of the retail space. ALSC enhances a customer's buying experience by applying our clear understanding of consumer habits to the design of retail establishments that reflect a company's brand.





#### Northern Quest Resort & Casino KALISPEL TRIBE AIRWAY HEIGHTS, WA

ALSC provided architectural and interior design services for this \$20 million expansion of Northern Quest Resort & Casino. The expansion includes Kids Quest and Cyber Quest, a day care/entertainment center and family friendly arcade, additions to the food court and Windfall, a new retail store featuring a variety of outdoor recreational items, home and sporting goods and more.

The 40,000 square feet addition is connected to the south side of the casino. The grand façade, located on the corner of Hayford Road and Northern Quest Boulevard, features beautiful floor-to-ceiling windows with a two-story circular beacon rising through the roof.



Urban Outfitters SPOKANE, WA

The new Urban Outfitters is located within Downtown Spokane's retail core at the corner of Main and Wall. The two story, 10,000 square foot building features a contemporary glass design and is connected at the second level to nearby River Park Square.





#### Boone Avenue Parking & Retail GONZAGA UNIVERSITY SPOKANE, WA

This new \$14 million, four-level building provides 650 parking spaces and ground-level dining and retail space for Gonzaga University students as well as area residents.

The new building is located on Hamilton Street on the eastern edge of the Gonzaga campus. The 250,000-square-foot facility is the new home for Gonzaga University's campus bookstore and several retail businesses. It is also being used as an interim dining hall for students while the Gonzaga University Center is under construction.



#### The Laning at Twigs RIVER PARK SQUARE SPOKANE, WA

Another new dining experience is now available in downtown Spokane's River Park Square. Designed by ALSC, "The Landing" at Twigs Bistro & Martini Bar runs the entire length of the glass atrium facing Main Street and appears to float along the glass. It seats up to 60 people, with dramatic views of downtown Spokane.



Additional Project?



### STCU Bonner Branch SPOKANE TEACHERS CREDIT UNION BONNER, ID

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#### STCU Kennewick Branch SPOKANE TEACHERS CREDIT UNION KENNEWICK, WA

Set in the arid context of southern Kennewick, this new Spokane Teachers Credit Union (STCU) branch is a billboard of the culture of STCU. Finding the appropriate first impression to the thriving area region, STCU defined five main principles for this project: Warmth, Efficient, Rooted, Set Apart From Competition, Drive-In Members

The importance of new membership has driven an architectural response of being noticed along the heavily traveled Highway 395, yet reducing the scale once a member travels through the front door. Once inside, the interior design communicates to the member to stay and interact with `their' credit union.



### **STCU & Rocket Bakery** SPOKANE TEACHERS CREDIT UNION SPOKANE, WA

Spokane Teachers Credit Union (STCU) and Rocket Bakery share this two-story, 3,300 square foot space adjacent to Urban Outfitters in downtown Spokane. The design reflects a unique partnership and required thoughtful planning since STCU and Rocket Bakery operate on different schedules.

The street level primarily houses Rocket Bakery, with a small STCU station located near the entry. A large painted mural fills an interior wall and continues up the stairs to the skywalk level. Created by Spokane's Cain and Todd Benson the face-filled mural depicts familiar downtown landmarks

STCU occupies the majority of space on the skywalk level, along with a smaller counter for Rocket Bakery. An orange security mesh, reflecting the space's industrial décor, is used to section off STCU when it is closed.

The main level features exposed metal and Edison light bulbs, while the upstairs features dimmer lighting and a serpentine couch for customers to lounge on.





#### INB Airway Heights Branch INLAND NORTHWEST BANK AIRWAY HEIGHTS, WA

This new branch bank for Inland Northwest Bank is located in Airway Heights at the intersection of Garfield Road and US Highway 2, at the eastern edge of the City. The 5,500 square foot facility was designed to create a beautiful and timeless building that expresses INB's dedication to customer service and to the community of Airway Heights. This significant goal was met through a rigorous process of listening to the owner and analyzing the available programmatic and contextual information. By thoughtful selection of materials such as exposed wood and stone, a warm and inviting environment was created to welcome customers.

The functional spaces of entry, lobby, private offices and teller lines are organized around a central spine that brings order to the various functions. Slightly angling the building on the site creates clear and convenient vehicular circulation and increases the building's presence and visibility from Highway 2.



#### INB Spokane Valley Branch INLAND NORTHWEST BANK SPOKANE VALLEY, WA

The Inland Northwest Bank Spokane Valley Branch project involved the design of a 5,728 square foot bank branch with drive-through service on a very small site. A proverbial "diamond in the rough", this new jewel was placed on the corner of Progress Road and Sprague Avenue; a prominent corner on a five-mile stretch of context devoid of architectural interest or relevance.

The client's mission statement provided our design team with the foundation blocks needed to begin the design process: "Inland Northwest Bank's mission is to be a great community bank, a preferred place to work and a caring corporate citizen providing outstanding customer service and an excellent return to its shareholders."





#### INB Ruby Street Branch INLAND NORTHWEST BANK SPOKANE, WA

Located on North Ruby Street, a major Spokane arterial, this new 4,000 square foot branch bank includes a twostory lobby with four teller stations, offices, conference room, safety deposit vault and employee break room. The basement provides space for storage and mechanical equipment.

The building is oriented diagonally on its site to take advantage of views from one-way traffic along Ruby Street and to set up a uniquely convenient drivethrough flow. Three drive-through teller lanes and one ATM lane are provided.

The building palette features dark slate tile, wheat colored brick, and cream colored exterior finish materials with precast concrete and metal accents. Light colors with dark accents in combination with the double height lobby create an eye-catching massing that sets off the bank from the adjacent commercial architecture. Updated Craftsman details appear throughout the facility to add richness and context.



### Coumbia Bank Building Renovation

This 110,000 square foot office structure is located on the site of the buildings that once housed J.J. Newberry Co. and Lamonts Apparel department stores in downtown Spokane on Riverside Avenue.

The existing buildings were stripped to the structural core and completely renovated, featuring a brick-and-glass design. Included is a two-story lobby, pedestrian-friendly canopies at the street level and all-new facilities, from the elevators to the high-tech wiring.

The entire first floor was designed for the former Bank of Whitman as a full service branch bank and administrative offices. The remaining floors were designed for occupancy by individual tenants.

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