DESIGN YOUR WORLD

Founded in 1991, Poon Design Inc., a LEED-accredited, multi-disciplinary practice, offers services in architecture and interiors, planning and programming, furniture design, music, and many other creative endeavors. Our award-winning design skills serve national and international clients, having completed and built over 300 projects: residential, commercial, religious, educational, and cultural. The work of Poon Design has received over 50 national honors, and been chronicled in hundreds of articles, such as The Wall Street Journal, The Los Angeles Times, Dwell, Los Angeles Magazine, Architectural Record, Architecture, and Interior Design.

At the core of our services, Poon Design Inc. promotes modernity and contemporary design, while acknowledging the legacy of historical traditions.
“School District 129 is fortunate to have Anthony Poon learn about us and capture our spirit and beliefs about education in the buildings we will build for our children.

“I believe that Anthony’s thinking and his work is extraordinary and will find its way to many honors. He will create the future dreams of this nation.”

SHERRY EAGLE, PHD  
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR  
INSTITUTE FOR COLLABORATION  
AURORA UNIVERSITY  
ILLINOIS

“Anthony: I’ve enjoyed working with you. You did a very nice job. The project looks amazing and is doing very well. Look forward to working with you on our next deal.”

RICK CARUSO  
PRESIDENT AND CEO  
CARUSO AFFILIATED

“I am pleased to say that the building has been a tremendous success and pleased to have Anthony as a catalyst in that effort. He was a very effective communicator and a very good listener, working with a diverse building committee, consisting of students and administrators. I think Anthony is an owner’s project architect, a quality in my opinion that is of utmost importance. He is an effective manager in all aspects of the project: program, budget, schedule, and project delivery methods.”

MR. DAN JOHNSON  
ASSOCIATE VICE CHANCELLOR  
UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA, RIVERSIDE
Led by Principal Anthony Poon, our designs communicate more than aesthetics. Our designs communicate ideas. Our designs express everything from our culture and the community we live in to the specific needs and solutions for each client. We call this content.

Design can be story telling. Whether the design of a residence, restaurant, shopping mall, or school; each and every client has ambitions for their existence and the condition of their institution. Clients possess memories of past successes and lessons learned. These ideas and stories are the basis for our design process.
Vision, creativity, imagination, artistry, and inspiration—these forces drive the design process at Poon Design. And this design process is a journey with the client, where the journey itself is as enjoyable as the discovery at the end.

Design at Poon Design is also the balance of imagination and reality. We integrate creativity with the pragmatics of a project: permits, approvals, function, budget, schedule, maintenance, and constructability.
We hired Poon Design Inc. to do the next few restaurants, and they have done a great job—very creative, yet detail oriented, and budget sensitive with big branding ideas. They come from big architecture firms, but have a studio vibe. I highly recommend these guys. Poon Design has been a godsend... outstanding, creative and pragmatic. Poon Design should be hired without question—worth every penny. They have actually made building restaurants fun again.

MARIO DEL PERO
PRESIDENT AND CEO
MENDOCINO FARMS

Congratulations to you on all the Chaya awards, honors and publications. It’s a team award, and I think our collective team worked well together for this beautiful project. It’s been a pleasure to work with you!

ARAM ARAKELIAN
PRESIDENT
ENVIRONMENTAL CONTRACTING CORPORATION
We at Poon Design believe great design is the architecture of place making and the creation of place--when a visitor arrives at your project, the ambitions of the project are understood. The key word is essence. What is the essence of your project? With Poon Design, expressing this in physical form comprises a successful design.
"When the Cintas Center is finally finished, we will continue to look back on Anthony Poon’s work with the highest regard. It was a pleasure for us to work with Anthony."

JAMES E. HOFF, S.J.
PRESIDENT
XAVIER UNIVERSITY
CINCINNATI, OHIO

"Poon Design of Beverly Hills has their own style: a little bit country, a little bit rock n’ roll."

DANIELA GALARZA
WRITER
EATER LA

"I just wanted to write to you and thank you so incredibly much. . . You are a truly class act! You guys truly have done such an amazing job and I really love working with all of you! Thank you both so much!!! It is gorgeous!

"You are all a blast!!! Thank you ALL for everything you have done for us!! It is very exciting to keep building our relationships both professionally and personally. You are all extremely talented people, who also just happen to be so much fun to hang out with!"

LAWRENCE L. MOORE
DIRECTOR OF PROMOTION & MARKETING
CHAYA RESTAURANTS & CMC ASSOCIATES, INC.
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RIVERSIDE

ELEVATE THE HUMAN SPIRIT
Anthony Poon

Educated as a multi-disciplinary designer, Anthony Poon is an award-winning architect, designer and musician. Spanning three decades of architectural experience, he is a LEED-accredited, California state licensed architect, interior designer, graphic artist, concert pianist, composer, photographer and mixed-media artist. Mr. Poon received his Master of Architecture from Harvard University and his Bachelor of Arts from University of California, Berkeley, Magna Cum Laude.

In addition to having taught at the University of Southern California, he has made presentations at national and regional conferences for the American College and University Institute and the Society for College and University Planning. Mr. Poon was awarded, in an unprecedented two years in a row, the 2005 and 2006 National Grand Prize from Learning by Design, the highest honor given to an educational project in the country. In 2008, he was a finalist for Los Angeles Magazine’s “World Class Tastemakers,” and a member of the USA Today’s Pop Culture Panel. Mr. Poon was also a performing artist for the 2012 Architects in Concert, “Unfrozen Music,” and a selected mixed-media artist for the 2013 Beverly Hills Art Show. Mr. Poon’s book, *Sticks and Stones: Steel and Glass* is available at Amazon.
WONDER AND DELIGHT

"Poon Design has delivered beautiful and exceptional design to the retreat property. The architects have blended modern, traditional and spiritual elements in an exceptional natural setting, meeting the evolving needs of our multifaceted, meditation, educational and outreach program."

BODHI PATH
BUDDHIST CENTERS

"Greenman Elementary School is fantastic. It is beyond anything I imagined. I enjoy walking through the building every day remembering all the conversations about your designs. I think about you often and realize how lucky I was to be able to learn from you the concepts of design and education, and how important the two are linked."

ERIN SLATER
PRINCIPAL
GREENMAN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
AURORA, ILLINOIS
We have worked on over 50 educational projects ranging from Pre K-12 to community colleges and universities. Highlights include projects for Bel Air Presbyterian Church, University of California, Cal State, and Los Angeles Unified School District. Poon Design’s commercial projects have been for some of country’s most prominent developers: Maguire, Thomas, Caruso, and Irvine Company. Alongside our non-profit clients and half a dozen projects for an international Buddhist foundation, we have completed the finest residential estates around the world, from Monte Carlo to Austria, from New York to Pennsylvania.

From The American Institute of Architects, Poon Design has been awarded the 2009 and 2011 International Design Award for Best Restaurant Design, as well as the 2018 National Design Award for Best in Housing. Poon Design is also recognized for the revolutionary re-envisioning of America’s tract housing industry, honored by two dozen national design awards from NAHB and BIA.
Anthony has the ability to create designs that respond to function, budget, and the spirit of my entrepreneurial endeavors. It is truly amazing that Anthony’s designs can reflect so well the personality of my projects.

MARC JUNKUNC, PHD
ASSISTANT PROFESSOR
SCHOOL OF BUSINESS
UNIVERSITY OF MIAMI,
FLORIDA

“They are beautiful plans, kudos on that.”

MICHAEL MCKAY
DIRECTOR
USER EXPERIENCE DESIGN
PAYPAL / EBAY

GREET NATURE
“Much like in music, in architecture designers study the properties of rhythm, pattern, and harmony. Those properties, and the diverse artistic disciplines that work with them, help to create designs that enable a vibrant life. That’s the approach of California-based Poon Design Inc.”

LAURA WILLIAMS TRACY
AMERICAN BUILDERS QUARTERLY
“Your firm led by consistent dedication and direction was certainly the major factor in seeing Din Tai Fung through. We couldn’t have done it without his knowledge and coolness-under-pressure demeanor and professional leadership.”

THOMAS J. PENNA
PRESIDENT
ITX CONSTRUCTION, INC.

“Anthony’s positive attitude was important as well as his very cooperative and design leadership, which was exhibited from day one.”

WILLIAM LOVE, FAIA
COMMITTEE CHAIRPERSON
BEL AIR PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
As advocates for a sustainable environment and society, we instill green design into every project, making sustainability the overall framework, not just a superficial additive. Many of our projects have set new standards: the W-V Mixed-Use Project was the first completed living roof in the South Bay of California.

In addition, Poon Design Inc. offers a diversity of design opportunities from flair to restraint, from detail to broad strokes, from drama to subtlety.

Don’t do what you have always done. Do something that is unique, something that is landmark, something that is potent, something that will excite your life. Thoughtful and inventive architecture can enhance your world. Break new ground.

Please visit www.poondesign.com and give us a call.
LASTLY, HAVE COURAGE AND HUMOR

“Poon embodies the same variegated approach fed into his work, with a background not only in architecture and design, but also in music, photography and graphic art, among other things. Poon embraces the concept of synthesis, ultimately translating it into a bold final product. What Poon’s team introduces is a confident sense of play; the audacity to take what might otherwise seem like disparate elements and skillfully integrate them.”

HEIDI ATWAL, THE DESIGN ISSUE, SOMA MAGAZINE