HI, I'M DANIEL ASSEFA GEBRE

Niagara Falls, ON L2H 3J9

437-833-2850

com 🔻

danassgebbal12@gmail.com

https://danielgebre.net



Architect and urban planner

SUMMARY

Experienced Architect and property administrator with history of driving impactful design initiatives and leading high-profile projects to completion. Proficient in architectural design and track record of effective project management and building strong client relationships. Over 10 years of increasing responsibility in residential and commercial property management. Expertise in tenant relations, budgeting and property maintenance and last but not least proud Father of three.

SKILLS

- Architectural design & project management
- AutoCAD & Microsoft Office Suite (Word, Excel, PowerPoint)
- Team leadership & staff mentoring
- Construction supervision & contract administration
- Cost estimation & inspection
- Sustainable and functional design solutions
- Client communication & stakeholder engagement
- Proposal preparation & documentation
- Church and heritage building renovation
- Multidisciplinary team coordination
- Request for Proposals (RFP) handling

EDUCATION

Addis Ababa University,

Addis Ababa Ethiopia
Master's degree in Environmental
Planning and Landscape Design
Aug 2015

Addis Ababa University,

Addis Ababa Ethiopia
Bachelor's Degree in Architecture and
Urban Planning
Aug 1988

WORK EXPERIENCE

Senior Architect, Urban Planner & Manager

Daniel Assefa Building Consultant PLC, Addis Ababa, Ethiopia Nov 1998 - Aug 2024

- Led multidisciplinary design and construction teams to perform design, construction supervision, and contract administration works of buildings, roads, and water works.
- Mentored a team of 8 junior architects, improving project delivery times by 35% and boosting overall team competency.
- Implemented sustainable design practices and integrated AutoCAD into workflows, producing detailed design plans. Designed 67 blueprints for commercial, residential, administrative, hotel, cultural, and religious buildings.
- Conducted design reviews, monitored and appraised contractor performance, and recommended corrective actions where deficiencies were detected.
- Evaluated and approved work schedules, material delivery, resource programs, and contractor organization charts for efficient execution.
- Supervised and coordinated renovation of 4 church buildings.
- Orchestrated over 50 client meetings, raising satisfaction scores by 20% through tailored solutions and proactive communication.
- Served as project manager and senior architect designer for large-scale buildings including hotels, hospitals, libraries, apartments, and churches.
- Oversaw safety compliance, achieving zero safety incidents over three years.
- Led the development of architectural frameworks that increased project efficiency by 15%.

LANGUAGES

English – Fluent / Proficient Amharic – Native

NOTABEL PROJECTS

Bole Medhanialem Church

Addis Ababa Ethiopia Designer - 2005

Designed one of Addis Ababa's most iconic churches, harmonizing traditional Ethiopian ecclesiastical architecture with contemporary spatial aesthetics.

Reference: <u>Bole Medhaniallem Portfolio</u> Info

Fuel Service Station

Addis Ababa Ethiopia Lead Designer - 2009

Spearheaded the design and managing complex utility coordination for fuel systems, electrical, and communications.

Reference: <u>Total Energies Ethiopia</u> <u>Portfolio Info</u>

EXPERIENCE CONTINUED

Architect And Property Administrator

Ayat Real Estate, Addis Ababa, Ethiopia Nov 1993 - Jul 1997

- Led tenant relations and communications for a portfolio of over 100 residential units, ensuring prompt resolution of inquiries and issues.
- Directed lease administration, streamlining onboarding and documentation processes for new tenants.
 Oversaw property maintenance operations, coordinating with contractors to deliver timely repairs and enhance tenant satisfaction.
- Negotiated and renewed supplier and service contracts, optimizing costs and service quality.
- Designed and implemented modifications to residential building plans, improving tenant retention and property value.
- Administered monthly billing, rent rolls, and property databases with 100% accuracy, supporting financial transparency.
- Facilitated staff meetings and prepared actionable meeting minutes to drive team alignment and operational efficiency.

Project Architect

Ministry of Planning and Development (MoPD), Addis Ababa, Ethiopia Oct 1988 - Aug 1993

- Prepared 41 blueprints for corporate clients and 23 for individual clients, increasing firm efficiency by 34%.
 Researched state and federal construction regulations to comply with 100% of expert control requirements.
 Contributed to eco-friendly building design concepts for different administrative, commercial, religious, and cultural buildings performed at different locations in Ethiopia.
- Collaborated with senior urban designers, town planners, and multidisciplinary teams to develop comprehensive master plans, resulting in optimized site layouts and increased project efficiency by 30%.