

Irina Ilieva

Architect and Project Manager



PROFILE

With over 20 years of experience, I am a senior project manager specialized in architecture planning, art curation and event management. A creative problem solver who believes that small actions can have a big impact if they are prepared well. I have successfully implemented more than 160 architectural projects and art events in Berlin (DE), Prague (CZ) and Sofia (BG). In cooperation with authorities, public institutions, private individuals, and artists, we strive to inspire creativity, empathy, and self-reflection. At the same time, I gained experience in managing budgets, staying on schedule, and finishing on time. My proven ability to work under pressure and manage strict deadlines is based on organizational and leadership abilities with strong communication skills in multidisciplinary environments. I am highly motivated to find the next great and challenging project idea with social impact that is waiting to be realized.

WORK EXPERIENCE

- 2022 **Project Manager Media Scenography**
TAMSCHICK MEDIA+SPACE
- 2022 **Project Manager Architecture**
GRAFT Architects
- 2021-
2020 **Project Manager Architecture retail**
hartmannvonsiebenthal the brand experience
company
- Since
1999 **Project Manager Architecture and Art**
// **Architect, Project Manager and Construction Supervisor** • Designed, developed and implemented more than 60 large and small architectural projects for new buildings, renovations, modernizations, loft conversions, balcony extensions, according to all phases of German Fee Structure for Architects and Engineers (HOAI, LP 1-9) • Member of the Berlin Chamber of Architects
- // **Art-Projects Manager, Gallery Owner**
• Parallel to the architectural activity • Created, managed, and implemented more than 100 art projects and art events in cooperation with more than 300 artists, private and public authorities. Created spatial solutions and managed operations, installation, and exhibition for various project sizes
- 1999-
1991 **Freelancer** as an architect and draftswoman in
various architectural offices in Berlin

EDUCATION

- 1992- **Architecture Diploma / Master's Degree (MA)**
1986 University of Architecture, Civil Engineering and Geodesy (UACEG), Sofia, Bulgaria
- 1986- **Higher education entrance qualification**
1982 Vocational training as computer scientist, basic programming languages certificate. Mathematical High School Sofia, Bulgaria

SPECIAL SKILLS

- **CAD:** AutoCAD, ARCHICAD
- **Image:** Adobe Photoshop, GIMP, SketchUp
- **IT/Coding:** Html/Css Php, SEO, Joomla, WordPress, Social Media, Email marketing
- **Office:** MS Word/Excel, Open Office
- **Class B driving license**

LANGUAGES

- German (business fluent, German citizenship)
- English (business fluent)
- Bulgarian (native speaker) • Italian (conversational)
- Russian (conversational) • Czech (beginner)

PUBLICATIONS

- 2015 **CUBE Magazine** "[Splendour of colour in the hallway / Newly designed entrance areas exude an inviting atmosphere](#)"

INTERVIEWS

- 2016 **Creative City Berlin** "[The Future Can Come](#)"
2010 **archimag** "[11 Fragen an...](#)"

PROJECT SELECTION 2022-2011

Architect and Art Project Manager

Entire portfolio Architect: <http://arch.aquabit.com>

Entire portfolio Art Project Manager: <https://art.aquabit.com>



- 2022 **Project Manager Media Scenography + Architecture / LP 2**
● For TAMSCHICK MEDIA+SPACE ● Managed projects with construction volumes up to 7,350 sqm ● Construction costs up to €19 million ● Responsible for resource management and technical leadership of interdisciplinary and innovation-oriented project teams with up to 13 people ● Continuous budget control and process optimization.



- 2022 **Project Manager Architecture / LP 4-8**
● For GRAFT Architects ● **Redevelopment and extension Admiralspalast, Berlin.** Coordinated the approval process and restoration of the rooms protected as historical monuments from the beginning of the 20th century while the theater was in operation.
● **Berlin-Tegel Airport, Hall H.** Interim use of a former cargo building as an anchor point for research and culture. Coordinated approvals under monument protection law, bidding and contracting for 1970s building structure. Usable floor space approx. 10,000 sqm.



- 2021-2020 **Project Manager Architecture retail, Berlin, Düsseldorf / LP 4-8**
● For hartmannvonsiebethal the brand experience company ● 2 retail branches of the fashion brand MANGO ● approx. 4,000 qm usable floor space in total ● Coordinated the design and construction process within a team of architects, engineers and technical draftsmen ● Focus on approval planning, implementation planning, object supervision, customer support ● Implemented the German technical and construction regulations for construction projects of an international client.



- 2021 **Project Manager 4 thematic exhibitions, Berlin**
Participant in WOMEN IN ARCHITECTURE Festival Berlin (WIA Berlin).
● Initiated, curated, and realized ● Funded by STIFTUNG KUNSTFONDS/NEUSTART KULTUR ● Production costs 60,000 €



- 2020 **Project Manager Site-Specific Installation of kinetic objects, Berlin**
BREATHLESS in aquabitArt gallery. Artists **Numen/For Use**
● Initiated, curated and implemented a site-specific installation ● With the kind support of Ministry of Culture of the Republic of Croatia ● Managed budget and entire communication with Ministry of Culture of the Republic of Croatia, audience, artist, print and social media ● Coordinated a team of 5 artists and project assistants ● Supervised technical implementation ● Production costs € 10,000



- 2019 **Project Architect for detailed planning**
Modernisation of apartment building, Gervinusstraße 7/7A, 10629 Berlin / LP 5
● Developed and delivered the entire detailed planning for the loft conversion, the new construction of a side wing and balconies extension in a team of 3 architects
● In collaboration with KLOTZBACH Architekten + Ingenieure ● 660 qm of additional living space and 19 new balconies ● 2,332 qm floor space.



- 2019 **Public Speaker, Prague Quadrennial Festival and Conference**
Theme: Is Architecture and Art Compatible Today?
● Created the theme, concept and free speech presentation as a guest speaker in front of ca. 300 experts in Architecture and Scenography



2019 **Founder and Festival Manager, Berlin / ARCHITECTURE+ART WEEKEND**
+ **2018+2019**

2018 ● Initiated the festival, created the concept, selected the topic ● Developed the logo, website and social media ● Invited and coordinated locations, created the art tours ● Published press release, flyer, announcements ● Provided the festival center ● Applied for funding and achieved support by the Berlin Chamber of Architects and Festival "Make City" ● Coordinated a team of 21 participating locations ● <https://architecture-art-weekend.com>



2018- **Project Architect for design planning**
2017 **New single-family house, Berlin Frohnau / LP 1-5**

● Determined the customer requirements, developed a basic evaluation, completed the preliminary design, the design, and the approval planning in a team of 5 professionals
● In collaboration with KLOTZBACH Architekten + Ingenieure ● 525 qm floor space
● Construction costs 1 Mio €



2018- **Project Architect for design and detailed planning**
2014 **Modernisation of apartment building, Winsstraße 47, 10405 Berlin / LP 1-5, 8**

● Created, constructed, and delivered: inventory taking, area calculation, preliminary design, sketches, variants, approval planning ● Constructed and developed the detailed planning for individual apartments, bathrooms and kitchens, balcony extension, commercial use conversion. Created cost overviews. Supervised and coordinated the various construction partners on site ● In cooperation with KLOTZBACH Architekten + Ingenieure ● 2,361 qm floor space.



2017 **Project Manager Site-Specific Light Art Installation, Berlin**
AQUABIT in aquabitArt gallery. Artist Peter Vink (NL)

● Initiated and implemented a site-specific installation ● Managed the entire communication ● Achieved support by the Kingdom of the Netherlands and Stichting Stokroos
● Coordinated a team of 5 artists and project assistants ● Facilitated 4 special events
● Construction costs 10.000 €



2016 **Project Manager Site-Specific Installation, Berlin**

PLAZEBO in aquabitArt gallery. Artist Vanessa Enriquez (MX), Architect Jürgen MAYER.H (DE) ● Created the concept and invited the artists ● Coordinated a team of 5 artists and project assistants ● Publishes press release, flyers and announcements
● Moderated artist talk ● Production costs €10,000



2015- **Leading Architect for interior design and detailed planning**
2013 **Modernization and repair condominium, Belehradská, Prague / LP 1-9**

● Developed an inventory, area calculation, preliminary design, according to customer requirements ● 75 qm living space, construction costs 60.000 €.



2013- **Leading Architect for design, detailed planning, and supervision**
2012 **Entrance redesign apartment building, Pappelallee 76, 10437 Berlin / LP 1-9**

● Created and implemented the redesign of the entrance areas ● Coordinated a team of 6 contractors, property management and 20 owners ● Created the detailed planning and cost calculation ● Reduced operating costs by 30% through a new LED lighting concept ● Integrated artwork with dynamic convertibility ● Monitored and optimized processes, costs and deadlines, follow-up management ● Construction costs 45.000 €.



2012- **Project Architect for design and detailed planning**
2011 **Modernization of apartment building, Goltzstr. 32, 10781 Berlin-Schöneberg / LP 1-8**

● Delivered: inventory, area calculation, preliminary design, sketches, approval planning
● Developed the detailed planning for loft conversion, elevator installation, balcony annex, modernization individual apartments, interior for commercial use ● Supervised and coordinated various construction partners on site ● In cooperation with KLOTZBACH Architekten + Ingenieure ● Floor space before conversion 2.120 qm, after - 2.580 qm.