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The Basilica Announces Selection of HGA to Lead Campus Master Planning Effort

MINNEAPOLIS, MN. – The Basilica of Saint Mary and The Basilica Landmark have announced that multidisciplinary design firm HGA has been selected through a competitive process to lead the Master Planning and Phase 1 design for its landmark Minneapolis campus.

The team for the project exemplifies a unique blend of expertise: HGA in architecture and engineering, as well as historic preservation in partnership with Beyer Blinder Belle; Duval Companies in urban strategy; and TEN x TEN in landscape architecture. This team will build upon the foundation created by a diverse group of parishioners who have worked to establish a strategic vision for The Basilica and its campus.

“The new Master Plan will prepare us for the next 100 years of service to The Basilica and to the city, as we strive to live out our vision to ‘seek the well-being of the city’ (Jeremiah 29:7),” said Fr. John Bauer, Pastor of The Basilica of Saint Mary. “We look forward to working with HGA and the whole project team to identify opportunities for our campus renewal in architecture, urban planning, and historic preservation.”

HGA brings an extensive degree of expertise including past projects at Lakewood Cemetery Garden Mausoleum, Temple Israel, and the Walker Art Center. “Along with this incredible team of partners, we are honored to be selected for The Basilica project and help build the future of this historic Minneapolis institution,” said Design Principal and Vice President Joan Soranno, FAIA.

The Basilica of Saint Mary is more than just a beautiful building; it is a gathering place for all those who pass through the doors. The Campus Master Plan is part of a long-term process that will help build a vibrant Basilica community and enable it to thrive into the future and meet the needs of the people it serves.

About Basilica of Saint Mary

The Basilica of Saint Mary, located in downtown Minneapolis, is a welcoming Catholic community committed to the well-being of the city. It is a center for the arts and a place of refuge for the poor. The Basilica provides quality liturgy, religious education, pastoral care, and hospitality to all. The parish is the spiritual home to over 6,500 families of all ages, races, ethnicities, and economic backgrounds.

www.mary.org

About The Basilica Landmark

The Basilica Landmark was organized in 1993 to preserve and restore The Basilica of Saint Mary and its campus for all generations. The Basilica Landmark is a 501(c)(3) charitable organization separate from The Basilica of Saint Mary.

www.thebasilicalandmark.org



About HGA

HGA is a national multi-disciplinary design firm rooted in architecture and engineering. Founded in 1953, we believe that enduring, impactful design results from deep insight into the people and passions that animate each unique environment. Our 11 offices from coast to coast craft specialized teams to serve clients in community, education, arts, healthcare, corporate, government, and energy industries.

www.hga.com

About Beyer Blinder Belle

Founded in 1968, Beyer Blinder Belle Architects & Planners is an award-winning architecture, planning, and interiors practice of 190 professionals in New York City, Washington, D.C., and Boston. The firm's multi-faceted portfolio encompasses preservation, urban design, and new construction projects that span a wide spectrum of building typologies and sectors, including cultural, civic, educational, residential, and commercial.

www.beyerblinderbelle.com

About Duval Companies

Duval Companies creates design, development and policy solutions for public, private and nonprofit ventures that enhance the built environment. We generate concepts that are financially sound and contribute to a more just, beautiful and sustainable world.

www.duvalcompanies.com

About TEN x TEN

TEN x TEN is a landscape architecture and urban design practice grounded by a curiosity and passion for experimentation and agency. The studio was founded in 2015 by Maura Rockcastle and Ross Altheimer following conversations about the future of landscape architecture, and a commitment to build a practice around work that is inspired, immersive and enduring. With over 25 years of collective experience, the studio focuses on cultural, campus and public realm projects.

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