

# Clara Aramburu Mendiguren

*Architect, NYS RA, COAM, PMI*

**Career Summary** Highly accomplished Senior Architect with 15 years of experience in design and leadership roles in the United States and Spain. Proven track record in leading cross-functional teams and mentoring architects in collaborative environments across civic, cultural, residential, and urban portfolios. Skilled designer specialized in regenerative processes, inclusive design, construction details, materiality, and emerging technologies.

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**Education** Universidad Politécnica de Madrid. Madrid  
Postgraduate Specialization in Cities & Environment, 2009  
Master of Architecture (M.Arch.), 2008  
Bachelor of Architectural Science (B.Arch.), 2005  
Illinois Institute of Technology. Chicago  
Study abroad academic year grant, 2004 -2005

**Certifications & Associations** State of New York (US), Registered Architect  
Comunidad de Madrid (Spain), Registered Architect  
COAM - Colegio Arquitectos de Madrid, Member  
PMI - Project Management Institute, Member  
Building Diversity, Member

**Projects & Advocacy** Colegio Arquitectos de Madrid Official Correspondant in USA, 2024  
Daily Bicycle Co. Business Owner and Manager. Madrid, 2012–2015  
Universidad Politecnica de Madrid. Researcher and Designer. Madrid, 2009–2012  
Solar Decathlon. Undergraduate Studio Adjunt. Madrid, 2010

**Skills** Design & Construction  
Architecture Design | Innovation & Research | Technical Drawings & Documentation  
Creativity | Presentations & Workshops | Building & Construction Knowledge  
Documentation & Permitting | Bidding & Procurement | Construction Administration  
Project Management  
Team Leadership | Coordination | Schedule & Budget Management | Vendor Interaction  
Stakeholder Management & Communication | Portfolio Management | Business  
Development | Risk Assessment & Mitigation | Contract Negotiation  
Software proficiency  
Autocad | Revit | Rhinoceros | Illustrator | Photoshop | Indesign  
Bluebeam REVU | BIM360 | Procore | Sharepoint | Ajera | Word | Excel | Notion  
Languages  
English, fluent | Spanish, fluent | German, intermediate | Italian, basic | Danish, learning

**Nationality** Spain | USA

**Experience** WXY Architecture + urban design. New York, 2022–2023  
Senior Associate

- Ensured design quality and financial viability of New York State capital projects portfolio with total construction budget of \$80M within the NYS 2030 Climate Act framework
- Provided thought leadership, supervising, and design direction for teams of multidiscipline contractors and employees
- Reviewed contracts, managed hiring and staffing, and reported directly to the Principals
- Managed communication with stakeholders and assessed project risk management
- Led business development proposals, reviewed RFP/Qs, and networked for project leads
- Steered consolidation from multiple office platforms to Deltek Ajera to streamline project management and business development processes

Office of Things. New York, 2021–2022  
Project Director

- Directed design and development of \$2M residential project in Upper East Side, NYC
- Managed stakeholder communication and negotiated with building board and Landmarks Preservation Commission

Adjaye Associates. New York, 2015–2021  
Project Director

- Guided design quality and financial viability for firm's US portfolio of cultural, educational, and residential projects, with a total construction budget of \$250M
- Advanced and directed design, leading a team of 6 architects through all design and construction phases
- Managed clients and stakeholders and collaborated with vendors and partners, securing successful integration of their products and services
- Directed design research on materiality, constructibility, and lifecycle analysis through external collaborations, mock-ups, and case studies
- Developed technical specifications and drawings to resolve design intent and meet clients' goals
- Coordinated code and regulation compliance with contractors and stakeholders to deliver on schedule and within budget

Árgola Arquitectos. Madrid, 2009–2015  
Project Architect, Partner

- Developed design and urban code for Land and City Planning projects, Urban Development, and Master Plans
- Produced technical specifications and drawings for civic and large-scale healthcare projects
- Managed international business development for the firm through the state-run ICEX program for Internationalization of Spanish companies

García Germán Arquitectos. Madrid, 2009  
Project Architect

- Led project design and research of nonintrusive construction system for residence in protected natural area

Andrés Perea Ortega. Madrid, 2008–2009  
Architect

- Developed construction drawings and presentations for cultural and residential projects
- Coordinated competitions proposals and led research and bid packages