

## Avaneesh Nataraja

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*International architecture professional with experience across workplaces, resorts, and hospitality design, from concept development to construction documentation and site coordination. Drawn to detail-oriented design and conceptually layered architecture that creates memorable experiences without compromising efficiency, constructability, or performance.*

## Education

**Carnegie Mellon University**, Pittsburgh, USA

May 2027

Master of Architecture, 4.1 /4.3 CGPA

**Centre for Environmental Planning and Technology**, Ahmedabad, India

May 2024

Bachelor of Architecture, 4.0 /5.0 CGPA

**École nationale supérieure d'architecture de Paris-La Villette**, France

January, 2023 - July, 2023

Semester Abroad, Master of Architecture, 4.4/5.0 CGPA

## Work Experience

**Architecture Intern**, OZ Architecture, Denver, CO, USA

June 2026 - August 2026

- 10-week summer internship at the resort and hospitality studio of the largest architecture firm in the state of Colorado.
- Produced design development and construction documents in Revit: Interiors, Junction Details, and Specification Tables.
- Spearheaded branding/graphics for client-facing conceptual design package and produced iterative diagrams/photorealistic renders using advanced Krea AI workflows for a mixed-use hospitality project in Montana.
- Contributed daylight hours and mapping analyses for a research project that rethinks urban density in Denver Downtown.

**Teaching Fellow/Assistant**, Carnegie Mellon Architecture, Pittsburgh, PA, USA

September 2025 - Present

- Fellowship with Prof. Tommy Yang and Prof. Jared Abraham to teach Undergraduate Core Design Studio(Fall 2026)
- Supported Prof. Douglas Cooper in teaching a freehand drawing course, focused on perspective techniques and contour drawing for first-year School of Architecture students(Fall 2025).
- Supported Prof. Kai Gutschow in teaching an architectural history course, focused on the history of modern architecture and alternative modernities for second-year School of Architecture students (Spring 2026).

**Architect**, Case Design, Mumbai, India, and Zanzibar, Tanzania

June 2024 - June 2025

- Managed site coordination of a 40,000 SF hospitality project located in Zanzibar, comprising four separate multi-storeyed guest houses, a swimming pool, and a poolside wooden pavilion. The project focused on environmental sustainability by using local biogenic construction materials, passive energy systems, and passive waste management techniques.
- Co-ordinated on-site construction drawings using hand sketches, scaled physical/digital 3D models in Rhino, and working prototypes of junction details, and prepared physical material finish samples to discuss and co-ordinate design decisions.
- Spearheaded the preparation and coordination of a complete construction drawing document set using AutoCAD and Revit. The set included - lineout drawings, floor plans, sections, elevations, MEP drawings, finishing specifications, furniture drawings, typical door and window drawings with schedules, and typical junction details.

**Architectural Intern**, Madras Office for Architects and Designers, Chennai, India

June 2022 - November 2022

- Prepared a graphic presentation using Adobe Suite for the proposal of a 3000SF multi-storeyed residential project located in Chennai. Presentations included 3D visualizations and diagrams, supported with physical models of various scales.
- Prepared structural drawings using AutoCAD and digital 3d models using Rhino for coordination with engineers.

## Awards and Achievements

**Research Awards:** Luther S. Lashmitt Travelling Scholarship, Carnegie Mellon Architecture

November 2025

Visible Publics in São Paulo: Social Ambition in the Architecture of Lina Bo Bardi and Paulo Mendes Da Rocha.

**Design Project Feature:** India Art, Architecture and Design Biennale, New Delhi, India

December 2023

Individual project titled - *A Place for Prayer* featured at the inaugural IAAD Biennale at Red Fort, New Delhi.

## Skills

**Technical:** Rhino, AutoCAD, Revit, SketchUp, Adobe Creative Suite (Photoshop, Illustrator, InDesign, Premiere Pro), QGIS, Microsoft Suite, Miro, Figma, Grasshopper, Twinmotion, Lumion, V-Ray, KeyShot, and Enscape. **Analytic:** Climate Consultant, Climate Studio, Cove Tool, Autodesk Forma, and Open LCA.