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Helen Brasinika

Founder & Design Director

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Helen Brasinika is the founder and design director of BllendDesignOffice, a research-driven studio exploring the connection between architecture, sustainability and human wellbeing. Through her philosophy of "Architecture of Well-Being", Helen creates resilient, emotionally intelligent spaces that combine innovation, craftsmanship and material exploration. Her work challenges conventional ideas of luxury design, focusing on adaptive environments that nurture both people and the planet.

Which project or moment has been the most defining in your career so far?

A truly defining milestone in our trajectory is the design of the IASO Hospital Actinology & Radiotherapy Sector. Healthcare architecture is notoriously rigid, dominated by heavy clinical equipment, strict radiation shielding protocols, and sterile environments. For BllendDesignOffice, this project became the ultimate testing ground for our core philosophy: the "Architecture of Well-Being", using evidence based design methodology. Our challenge was to deconstruct the traditionally intimidating, cold atmosphere of an oncology and actinology department and reconstruct it as a soothing, human-centric sanctuary. This project proved that even in the most technologically constrained environments, design has the therapeutic power to alleviate stress and elevate the human experience.

Who or what has had the greatest influence on your design philosophy?

Without a doubt, the greatest and most defining impact on my design philosophy stems from my mentorship under Leatrice (Lee) Eiseman, the legendary Executive Director of the Pantone Colour Institute. Studying directly under her completely revolutionised my perception of space. It allowed me to look beyond colour as a mere decorative asset and instead master it as a profound, multifaceted force that alters human psychology, neurobiology, and emotional well-being. Every palette we curate is deliberately engineered to trigger specific emotional resonances and optimise spatial wellness.

What does luxury mean in 2026?

In 2026, luxury is no longer defined by superficial opulence or ostentatious display; true luxury lies in the privilege of spatial wellness, authenticity, and environmental resilience.

Ultimately, luxury today means creating "natural habitats" – immersive architectural ecosystems where natural resources are respected through global rainwater management, lighting aligns with circadian rhythms, and materials evoke emotional comfort. A luxurious space is a resilient sanctuary that protects, nurtures, and gracefully elevates the daily human experience.

What keeps you passionate about design?

What keeps me deeply passionate about design every single day is the opportunity to create these spaces with a distinct, unrepeatable identity for a very specific, visionary clientele. These are individuals and brands who actively look for something deeper – they seek environments tailored entirely to their psychology. I would say ultimately my passion is crafting these "natural habitats".

Twenty years from now, what do you hope people will say about your work and the legacy you have created?

Twenty years from now, I hope our legacy isn't measured merely by the structures we built, but by a fundamental shift in how people perceive, feel, and inhabit spatial environments.

Ultimately, I want our legacy to be a living chain of emotional sanctuaries – proving that truly great architecture doesn't just withstand time but gracefully elevates the human spirit across generations.

Complete this sentence: "Great design is..."

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