DESIGNER'S CORNER: BIANCA GONZALEZ INTERIOR DESIGNER, PFLUGER ARCHITECTS

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Bianca Gonzalez beams confidence in the perfect outfit and accessories. She clearly knows what is on trend and understands color and pattern. You would never guess that she is technically new to the design industry, lit with an internal drive to follow her dreams. Bianca is an interior designer at Pfluger Architects, designing new schools and renovating older education facilities.

A San Antonio native, initially Bianca joined the Army National Guard and worked for the State. After she had her third child she chose to stay at home because that was best for her family. She knew she loved interior design, but she put her dream on hold while she took care of others. As time passed, she still wanted to be an interior designer but was scared to go back to school. She worried, "What will I have in common with the younger students? How will I fit in?"





Bianca's 3D renderings for Comal Middle School #8

Going back to school was an overwhelming concept and a new career path but filled with opportunity. "I knew in my heart I wanted to be an interior designer and it would be worth it." says Bianca. Design studios were difficult, but Bianca loved the work and was able to prioritize her time and values. She had to find a new balance between attending class and caring for her family. When Covid forced everyone to attend school remotely, Bianca was ready to adjust again. Her family loved seeing her happy and creating her own version of "Minecraft" while working on school projects. Her family's support kept her motivated.

After graduating from the University of Texas San Antonio School of Architecture + Planning, Bianca started work at Pfluger. Bianca loves having educators as clients and giving back to her community by positively impacting change in the learning environment. As a Mom, she's constantly thinking about what she would want for her kids and their teachers. One of her first projects was a new building at her old high school campus. Bianca was pleasantly surprised by how many people she already knew who were affiliated with the project and felt it was a very rewarding, personal experience. It is a small world, and all signs point towards her being in the right place. When it comes to pursuing your dreams, Bianca's advice is true: "You're never too old! You can restart as many times as you want. You should love what you do."