

RBA 20 YEARS

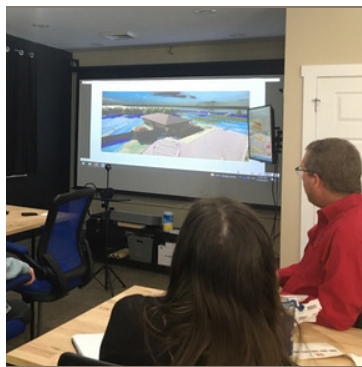
SPRING 2023 UPDATES

CORE VALUES



As we grow, we want our team, clients, consultants and community partners to understand and share the values that have guided us since inception.

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT



RBA is an award winning, experienced architectural design firm with a multi-discipline focus and expertise.

FOUNDING HISTORY



Our commitment to our community is unwavering. Our newest collaboration unites VA Beach Public Schools and Back Bay National Wildlife Refuge.

FEATURED HIGHLIGHTS

CORE VALUES



INNOVATION

We are focused on innovation and excellence. We continually strive to be better by optimizing our individual and collective effort.



CONSISTENCY & QUALITY

We are determined to deliver consistency in the service we provide that yields the highest quality service.



COLLABORATION

Collaboration is a core component of our success. We encourage an environment that recognizes and capitalizes on individual talents as we work collectively toward our shared goals of innovation and excellence.



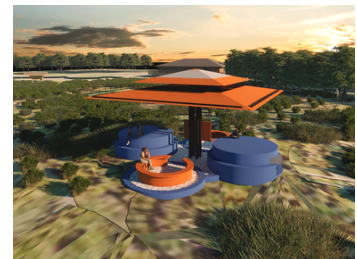
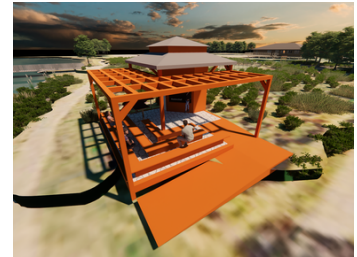
INTEGRITY & ACCOUNTABILITY

We hold ourselves accountable to engaging ethically and with integrity. We commit to operate in this manner internally, with clients and in our community. Our integrity cultivates a trusting and collaborative culture that strives to exceed expectations.

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT



The Outdoor Classroom at Back Bay National Wildlife Refuge



The Back Bay National Wildlife Refuge's Outdoor Classroom is a collaborative initiative aimed at enriching the educational experience of all visitors, regardless of their age. The classroom will host various events, sponsored by the Refuge and the Society, with the aim of promoting environmental education and benefiting the community at large. Through this project, the Refuge seeks to establish meaningful partnerships within the community. RBA Architects, the primary partner, have made generous contributions in terms of time, expertise, and instruction. Additionally, they have pledged to provide partial financial support for the classroom's construction. The Environmental Studies Program at Virginia Beach City Public Schools is another vital partner. As part of the program, student interns spend two days each week in the field and classroom, working alongside RBA Architects staff and participating in the planning, design, and construction of the classroom. The Refuge staff provides design review and program direction for the classroom. Funding for the project will come from donations, sponsorships, grants, and fundraising. To learn more about ways to become a partner, donate resources, or to make a tax-deductible donation to this project, please visit:

www.bbnwrs.org/contact/

OTHER NEWS & EVENTS

- RBA joined the Chesapeake Alliance in the autumn of 2022, as their mission of improving the quality of life and work in the City of Chesapeake is aligned with ours.
- Our 2022 Virtual Holiday Food Drive generated 227 pounds of food for the Virginia Peninsula Foodbank community.
- On February 28, 2023 we cohosted a fundraiser at Wasserhund Brewing in Virginia Beach for the construction of the Outdoor Classroom at Back Bay National Wildlife Refuge. The event raised more than \$650 for the project.

FOUNDING HISTORY

RBA Architects is the result of one individual's vision to be the top Residential Architectural Firm in Hampton Roads. Our founder, Tom, had a dream to establish his own design firm that specialized in serving the residential sector. He started with a select group of clients and offered consistent high-quality design services that remain to this day. During that period, architects mostly did not cater to the residential sector, and people either purchased designs online or generated them through draftspersons. We realized that we could create incredible designs that would revolutionize the way people lived and still be cost-effective. Our plan was to serve the Hampton Roads community and establish relationships with select builders to demonstrate how good design can change lifestyles. We gained our clients one by one and prioritized honesty and transparency in our dealings with them. We delivered what we promised, and if any issues arose, we resolved them promptly.

Our philosophy was to design high-quality projects, irrespective of their complexity or cost. Tom recognized early on that innovation and technology would be critical to our success. We adopted cutting-edge technologies long before our peers to serve our clients better. Even today, we believe in working smart, not hard, and convey the same to our clients and partners. As RBA grew, so did our capabilities. We built a team on the foundation of collaboration, understanding that it was vital to our success. We foster teamwork among our in-house team, consultants, builders, and clients to execute successful projects.

Currently, RBA Architects is the foremost Residential Architectural firm in Hampton Roads, but our aspirations are higher. We strive for greatness and aim to become one of the top Architects in the Mid-Atlantic Region. We seek out clients and partners who share our core values and apply them consistently.



Tom Retnauer,
RBA President & Chief Visionary

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