

## **Caron Architecture Announces Its Acquisition By AXIS/GFA Architecture + Design**

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Caron Architecture proudly announces today its acquisition by the noted West Coast architecture firm AXIS/GFA Architecture + Design. Effective January 1, 2023, the agreement will see Caron Architecture rebrand and become AXIS/GFA's new Seattle studio. The acquisition is the latest milestone in AXIS/GFA's ongoing growth and expansion along the West Coast, and further positions the firm as one of the most widely-practiced hotel and multi-family residential architectural design firms in the Western United States.

### **Acquisition creates a new Pacific Northwest studio for AXIS/GFA**

The integration of Caron into the AXIS/GFA brand extends AXIS/GFA's reach into the Pacific Northwest. With existing AXIS/GFA studios in San Francisco and Los Angeles, and with satellite offices in Las Vegas, Hawaii and Boston, the acquisition of Caron's Seattle studio effectively positions AXIS/GFA to now service clients across the entire Western United States and Hawaii.

### **AXIS/GFA to gain additional multi-family residential design expertise**

In addition to increasing the firm's geographic reach, the acquisition leverages Caron's noted multi-family residential design expertise, supplementing the capabilities of AXIS/GFA's well-established and award-winning hospitality and multi-family design practices.

"I'm very excited about this opportunity," states AXIS/GFA Founding Principal Architect and CEO Cory Creath. "Caron complements AXIS/GFA's strategic plans in a number of ways. Considering their core expertise, adding their studio to our firm increases the capabilities and competitiveness of our multi-family residential practice. Given their location, Caron immediately adds an established presence for AXIS/GFA in the Pacific Northwest," Creath continued.

### **A shared focus on client success through trusted relationships**

In addition to enjoying complementary strengths by way of their practice expertise, AXIS/GFA and Caron also enrich each other through their shared belief in client success through trusted relationships.

"I've always been proud of how Caron distinguished ourselves by striving to be our clients' greatest advocate," states Radim Blazej, Founding Principal Architect at Caron Architecture. "Seeing now how AXIS/GFA embraces a similar culture as ours, I'm confident this partnership is set for success."

Radim Blazej will continue to lead the team in Seattle as AXIS/GFA's new Principal and local Studio Director.

Caron's rebrand as an AXIS/GFA studio is anticipated to complete through early 2023; watch both firms' blogs and social channels for those upcoming announcements.

*Link to original press release:*

<https://www.caronarchitecture.com/blog/2023/1/9/caron-architecture-announces-its-acquisition-by-axisgfa>

