## PJA Architects joins Stantec's Buildings practice

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Stantec, a global leader in sustainable design and engineering, is expanding its expertise in animal habitat design with the addition of team members from PJA Architects + Landscape Architects (PJA). For nearly three decades, PJA has provided architecture, landscape architecture, zoological and botanical design, entertainment planning, and master planning for global clients across six continents.

Patrick Janikowski, who founded PJA in 1997, and his team have designed zoos, safari parks, and exhibits across the US and in Australia, Chile, China, Qatar, Singapore, Türkiye, and United Arab Emirates. PJA's work strives to create impactful and educational interactive experiences that connect humans with animals and the natural world, while upholding the highest standards of international practice.

"Our team has a reputation for designing spaces that provide a safe and nurturing environment for the inhabitants while engaging visitors with learning and entertainment," said Janikowski. "We have developed a deep appreciation for the natural world and find that reflected in Stantec's commitment to sustainability, community, and ethics. By joining Stantec, we can share our knowledge with a broader market and continue to foster positive change within the industry."

Some of PJA's signature projects include the new Doha Zoo in Doha, Qatar; Asia Trail II in Washington, DC; Disney's Animal Kingdom in Orlando, Florida; Longsha Zoo & Botanical Center in Qiqihar, China; Australia Zoo Hotel in Beerwah, Australia; Polar Adventure in Hong Kong; and River Safari in Singapore.

"Stewardship of the natural world is a key part of our commitment to sustainability and the PJA team has demonstrated extensive expertise in this space," said Josh Gould, senior vice president of growth for Stantec Buildings. "Now as a part of Stantec, the PJA team has more opportunity to create habitats in which animals can thrive and provide learning opportunities for the stewards of today and tomorrow."

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