Walter G. Schamu

Walter G. Schamu, FAIA is the president and founder of SM+P (Schamu Machowski and Patterson) Architects and is respected throughout the region for his expertise in historic preservation. The firm founded in 1982 works with residential, commercial, educational, religious, and hospitality clients. SM+P has a particular focus on historic preservation and adaptive-use projects. His dedication to the city of Baltimore led Walter to establish the Baltimore Architecture Foundation in 1987, which educates the public about the city's rich architectural heritage. Walter lectures extensively on historic architecture and creative adaptive use.

Walter helped initiate a statewide survey of significant architectural drawings and collections. He is a member of multiple civic boards and institutions. He is also the founder and past chairman of the Historic Architects Roundtable in Baltimore, a.k.a. "The Dead Architects' Society."

Walter is a Fellow of the American Institute of Architects, and former President of the Baltimore Chapter of the AIA. He holds a Master of Architecture Degree from the University of Pennsylvania, which he received prior to his service in The U.S. Navy (from 1968 to 1971) as an Engineering Officer on Navy destroyers. Walter and his wife Nancy live in Federal Hill in their "Double Wide" converted warehouse structure with rooftop greenhouse.

SM+P Architects, Projects of Note:

Restoration B&O Roundhouse
Restoration Bromo Seltzer Tower
Maryland State House, Annapolis, MD
Customs House, Chestertown, MD
Maryland Club Post Fire 1995
Maryland Club Restoration / Addition 2018
Peale Museum Restoration
The Garret Jacobs Mansion
Hilton Mansion, Catonsville, MD
Homewood Mansion, Baltimore, MD