



# what's new at new city design group

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Happy Spring Everyone! As we look forward to all things fresh and new with the arrival of spring, we've also taken a look back as **New City** celebrates its **23rd birthday!** We invite you to take a walk down Memory Lane with us...

## Pulse Health Club



**Circa 1997** – Working with **John Kane** and his team, we designed three **Pulse Health Clubs**, including this 27,000 square foot club on **Kildaire Farm Road** in **Cary**. This was a big project for our young firm! We are eternally appreciative of the confidence **Kane** put in us to get the job done.

The space is still a health club 22 years later, now joined by **Trader Joes** and other high end tenants at the center.



## Duck and Dumpling



**Circa 1999** – One of the first “upscale restaurants” in **Downtown Raleigh**, before that was a thing! Fronting **Moore Square**, the former hardware store had been empty for a number of years before **Greg Hatem** and **David Mao** partnered with **New City** to create this signature Asian bistro. David has since moved to **Hillsborough Street**, but the spirit of the **Duck** lives on with **Bida Manda** now occupying the space.



## NOFO at the Pig



**Circa 1997** – Working with longtime entrepreneur and foodie **Jean Martin**, **New City** cooked up this **Five Points** location for the popular **NOFO** restaurant and gift shop, patterned on Jean’s successful **Wilmington Store**. The building is the former home of a **Piggly Wiggly Grocery**, and many of the original elements of the store, including signage and other relics, are still on display. **NOFO** remains popular, especially for Sunday brunch and their signature shrimp and grits. Check out the building’s pig shaped bike racks!

## Gypsy Divers



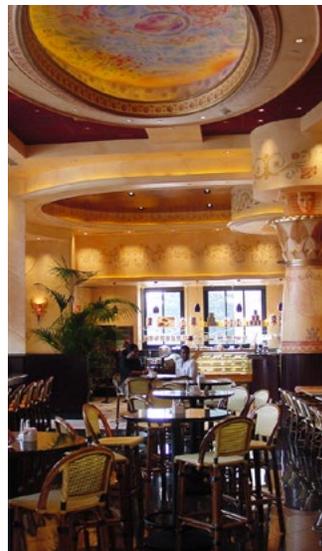
**Circa 2001** – Way ahead of its time, **Gypsy Divers**, a venerable dive shop, jumped out with a fully indoor dive facility, including an indoor pool. Generations have since learned to dive and snorkel at the popular venue!

## Cheesecake Factory at Crabtree



**Circa 2003** – We were young and crazy when we raised 10,000 square feet of the existing mall roof and built a **Cheesecake Factory** right on the front of **Crabtree Valley Mall**! We went on to design **Cheesecake Factories** in **Durham** at **The Streets at Southpoint**, in **Virginia Beach**, and at **A Grand Lux Café** in **Seaside, Florida**.

We continue to partner with **Cheesecake Factory Bakery**, having designed their 1,000,000 square foot plant in **Rocky Mount** in 2006, and we’ve assisted in additions and renovations since then, including an **Employee Training Center** that was completed last year. We’re definitely **Cheesecake** fans!



## Salon Blu North Hills

**Circa 2010** – Working with energetic entrepreneurs **Todd and Jennifer Fincher, New City** created two **Salon Blu** locations. The edgy Modern design still holds up well, as **Salon Blu** continues to serve posh clientele at **North Hills, Falls Village, and Brier Creek**.

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**Thanks to all of our partners** – Engineers, brokers, contractors, and of course, our valued clients, for 23 great years! We are more enthusiastic, experienced, and energized than ever here at **New City**... And we look forward to many more successful partnerships in the years to come!



## And now, for a bit of current news:

### We Made the TBJ List!



We're delighted to announce that **New City** has once again made the list of **Top Architectural Firms** in **Raleigh-Durham-Chapel Hill** compiled by **Triangle Business Journal**. This annual list is ranked by the number of registered architects in the **Triangle**. **New City** made the **Top 25**, ranking **20th**!

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### Pop Up Gallery Show



Raleigh-based photographer **Simon Griffiths** and **New City's Ted Van Dyk** were pleased to recently present a one-night-only dual exhibition at **Aloft Hotel's WXYZ Lounge** on **Hillsborough Street** in Raleigh. An extensive portfolio of photography and original art was featured, along with refreshments and lively conversation. Contact **Ted** to learn more about his artwork, available for sale!

## Charlotte Beer Garden is Going Vertical!



We're pleased to announce that after a few months of delay (as a result of the wettest year on record!), the **Charlotte Beer Garden** is finally coming out of the ground. The 17,000 square foot, three-story beer palace should be complete in the fall of this year. A terrific team is in place, with **Niall Hanley** of **Hibernian Hospitality** as the proprietor and **Liles Construction of Charlotte** as the General Contractor. Stay tuned for updates!

## Staff Updates



**Peter Wentz, AIA**

Congrats to **New City Project Designer Peter Wentz** on passing his architectural registration exams to become a member of the elite

consort of Registered Architects in North Carolina! Peter graduated from **NC State** in 2011 with a **Master of Architecture degree**, and worked at several local firms prior to joining New City in 2016. He has served as project designer on numerous **Duke University** projects over the past couple of years; the success of several new dining venues, including **Sazón**, **Red Mango**, and **Beyù Blue**, have been due largely to his methodical, careful work. Peter

has also served as project designer on the new **Student Center** building currently under development at **Duke's Marine Sciences Lab**. Outside of the office, Peter is an avid fan of ultimate Frisbee, crossword puzzles and podcasts.



**Ashley Eubanks**

We also welcome **Project Designer Ashley Eubanks** to the **New City** team! Ashley recently graduated from the **University of North Carolina at Greensboro** with an Interior Architecture degree. **Interior Design** is not just a career for her, it's a passion. Ashley works on a variety of projects and is inspired by her travels and the idea of making people happier and healthier through design. She loves meeting interesting and eclectic people, and enjoys the variety of experiences a design career provides. In her free time, you can find her woodworking, going to shows with friends and family, and enjoying the outdoors.

Stop by our office and say hello to these team members!

**new city design group** has been creating great places throughout the Triangle and beyond since 1996. Our 12-person staff is experienced, talented, and ready to serve. Give us a call or shoot us a note. We welcome the opportunity to chat with you!

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