

**Carol R. Tobin**  
**Founding Principal**

Carol R. Tobin, ASID, is a founding principal of Tobin+Parnes Design Enterprises. Carol's talent and vision have guided the firm's dedication to excellence in design. She has an intuitive gift, enabling her to perceive clients' inner thoughts and translate them into polished pragmatic design solutions. Carol brings her experience and creativity to these solutions, but insists that TPDE address the client's aspirations and visions. She also believes strongly that new environments can be a strategic element for culture and growth.

Carol's strong business acumen and her years of experience with a diversity of projects have given her the ability to understand the nuances of individual projects, their budgets and schedules. She creates a partnership with TPDE's clients, understanding their personalities and priorities. She believes in the value of collaborative teamwork as the basis of imaginative solutions.

Carol Tobin has a Bachelor of Arts degree from California State/Los Angeles and a Bachelor of Fine Arts/Interior Design with High Distinction from the New York School of Interior Design where she received numerous scholarships. Carol taught at Parsons School of Design for 10 years and is an allied member of the American Society of Interior Designers. Carol has received Lifetime Member status in Manchester's *Who's Who Among Executive and Professional Women Interior Designers*, 2005/2006.

## **Robert Mark Parnes, RA, AIA**

Robert Mark Parnes founded Tobin + Parnes Design Enterprises in 1983 with partner, Carol Tobin. Robert's love of architecture combined with his energy and passion have been a key component in creating a firm dedicated to providing outstanding design solutions for a broad range of clients (including restaurants, hotels, healthcare facilities, landmarks and retail destinations) on an a highly individualized basis. His mastery includes developing close relationships with clients, correctly interpreting their needs and working to ensure the application of the finest architectural and design solutions for all projects. His enthusiasm and creativity set the tone for conceptual designs and his imagination and problem-solving ability fosters optimum architectural solutions. Robert is experienced, accomplished and knows how to get things done. Clients value his contributions and are reassured by his presence.

Robert has a Bachelor of Architecture Degree from Pratt Institute. He is a registered architect with National Council of Registration Boards Certification (NCARB), as well as architectural licenses in New York State, New Jersey, Ohio, Texas, Illinois, Connecticut, Massachusetts, Tennessee, North Carolina and Maryland. He is a member of the American Institute of Architects, the New York Society of Architects, the Architectural League of New York and the Professional Circle of the New York Landmarks Conservancy. In 2007, Robert was appointed a Commissioner of the Paterson Historic Preservation Commission.

## **Josh Sherman**

Josh Sherman is a senior associate at Tobin + Parnes Design Enterprises. Josh's responsibilities include all aspects of architecture and interior design projects; from concept development and programming to construction documents and construction administration. Josh's exceptional communication skills allow for efficient coordination between the projects design team, consultants, vendors and the client on a daily basis insuring the successful completion of all design projects.

Josh has an intensely organized style of working and an acute sense for detail; as such he often works on projects that demand a high level of attention. He has extensive experience in retail, corporate and high-end residential design. His work has been featured in *Architecture Magazine*, *GA Houses*, *Interior Design*, *Art + Décor Magazine*, *Trends*, *Sunset*, *The Los Angeles Times* and *The New York Times*. Josh Sherman has received numerous awards including the *American Planning Association - Prototype for Affordable Home Ownership* and the *Bank of America Affordable Housing Competition*.

Josh Sherman received a Master of Architecture degree from UCLA, graduating *magna cum laude* and a BPS in Architecture from The University at Buffalo, graduating *summa cum laude*. Josh is an associate member of The American Institute of Architects.

### **Gerard Orozco**

Gerard Orozco is a Senior Associate with Tobin+Parnes Design Enterprises. Gerard's responsibilities include project conceptual development, contract and lease review, site analysis, development and coordination of construction documents, complete contract administration and project management. Gerard is a knowledgeable architect who has a strong pragmatic approach to creative problem solving. He has a thorough understanding of what client goals are and has extensive experience in all facets of project development. Gerard is a strong natural teacher: a quality that generates client confidence and underlines his importance to the TPDE team.

Gerard Orozco received a BA of Architecture with a Minor in Psychology with Highest Honors from Pratt Institute in Brooklyn, New York. He has received numerous awards and honors. They are: The Arthur Edwards Award for Outstanding Scholarship in Building Technology, Pratt Circle Award, Presidential Scholar Award and Brian Goldberger Scholarship Award. Gerard is bilingual English/Spanish.

### **Dorothy Dejkanovic**

Dorothy Dejkanovic is a senior associate with Tobin+Parnes Design Enterprises. Her talent lies in her ability to understand clients' needs and transform them into functional, creative interiors that produce real value in every project. Her firm belief that design can empower people and transform organizations is at the core of every project.

Her responsibilities include development of project design concepts, direction and implementation. This includes furniture selection/installation, material/finish specification, purchasing, client/vendor/contractor interaction and interiors budgeting. Dorothy has a keen sense of design and her artistic renderings help clients visualize the project in its entirety.

Dorothy earned a Bachelor of Fine Arts degree from Fashion Institute of Technology majoring in Interior Design. She is currently working towards her ASID certification.

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