



**MICHAEL K CHEN ARCHITECTURE // MKCA**, established in 2011 in New York City, is an architecture practice dedicated to producing innovative and superbly crafted work for clients seeking thoughtful and considered design.

MKCA's approach is deeply informed by curiosity and a love of tinkering, of drawing, of collaboration, and of making. Their methods and capabilities are at the leading edge of design, analysis, manufacturing, and construction, but they strive to produce exceptional experiences, intricately choreographed spaces, and works that are unexpected, hyper-useful, intelligent, and full of delight.

They have experience designing and building at a diverse range of scales and bring an ultra-refined sensibility and attention to detail to projects ranging from individual micro apartments to entire buildings. They have developed a reputation for excelling at complex urban projects, and are adept at synthesizing multiple functions, systems, and constituencies into elegant and often beguilingly simple works. MKCA serves a diverse and international client base. They are based in New York City and work across the United States and worldwide.

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His work and research ranges from micro-apartment interiors to large-scale urban informatics and analysis. Michael and MKCA's growing body of work regularly appears in international exhibitions and media including the Venice Biennale, *The New York Times*, *Dwell*, *Metropolis*, *Architectural Digest*, *Interior Design*, and *The Daily Mail*.