

# Zahra Karimi

## **Experience:**

**Designer/Partner: K2 Design Inc. - 2004 - Present**

**Best Western Deer Valley:** Best Western Plus/Executive Residency, Phoenix, AZ. New Construction, interior design for the entire project

**Arabella Hotel:** Independent/Boutique Hotel in Sedona, AZ. Renovation, FF&E selection for 147 guestrooms and balconies

**Four Points by Sheraton:** Branded Hotel in Lafayette, IN. Renovation, FF&E selection for Lobby and Reception Area

**Holiday Inn City Center:** Branded hotel in Lafayette, IN. Renovation, FF&E selection for guestrooms, guest corridors, lobby, meeting rooms and restaurant

**RL Hotel:** Branded Hotel in St. Louis, MI. Renovation, FF&E selection for the entire hotel including restaurant

**Comfort Inn & Suites:** Branded hotel in Burlington, IA. Renovation, FF&E selection for lobby & breakfast area

**Fairfield Inn & Suites:** Branded hotel in Burlington, IA. Renovation, FF&E selection for reception, lobby & breakfast area

**Holiday Inn:** Branded hotel in Burlington, IA. Renovation, FF&E selection for lobby, reception & breakfast area

**Radisson Hotel:** Branded hotel located in Aurora, CO. Renovation, FF&E selection for conference rooms, restaurant, suites (& bathrooms), & guestroom corridors

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**Aurora Park Hotel:** Boutique hotel located in Aurora, CO. Renovation, FF&E selection for lobby, public corridors, reception desk, guest corridors, elevator landing, guestrooms, suites & bathrooms

**Red Lion Inn & Suites:** Branded Hotel in Tempe, AZ. Renovation, FF&E selection for lobby, reception desk, breakfast area, public corridors, & public restrooms

**Chestnut Hill Hotel:** Historic Boutique hotel located in Chestnut Hill, suburb of Philadelphia, PA. Renovation, FF&E selection for guestrooms, guest corridors, public corridors, fitness room, lobby & front desk, public restrooms, & function room

**Best Western Plus Inn & Conference Center, Du Bois, PA:** Renovation, FF&E selection for guestrooms, lobby, reception area, exercise room, breakfast area, public corridors, pre-function area, conference room, & public restrooms

**Best Western Lock Haven, Lock Haven, PA:** Renovation, FF&E selection for guestrooms, public corridors, lobby, front desk, breakfast area, and meeting room

### **Luxury Residential Projects:**

- Luxury Condo, Optima Camelback, Scottsdale, AZ
- Luxury private residence, Grayhawk
- Interior & exterior renovation of a 5000+ SF private luxury residence in Paradise Valley, AZ
- Several luxury residences in Scottsdale, Fountain Hills and Tempe, AZ
- Luxury Condos at Optima Scottsdale, AZ
- Luxury Penthouse & other luxury condos in Kierland Towers, Scottsdale, AZ
- Private Residence, Phoenix, AZ: Originally designed by Architect Al Beadle
- Space planning and furniture design for 2 lofts in Kierland Commons, Phase I & II, Scottsdale, AZ

**Commercial Lobbies for Westcor, Scottsdale, AZ:** Space plan, finishes & furnishing selection for multiple lobbies

### **Plaza Lofts at Kierland Commons, Scottsdale, AZ:**

- Phase II: Coordinated with developer and architect to create design concept, colorized 50 custom lofts, selected all interior finishes, performed site inspections, furnished model unit, selected furniture for all public spaces (residents' lounge, lobby area, and outdoor spaces)
- Phase I: Colorized 30 lofts, design, FF&E selection for lobby, community area, and pool area, performed site inspections

**Dental Office, Scottsdale, AZ:** Renovation, FF&E selection for reception desk, waiting area, Doctor's private office, operatories, lab, staff lounge, & public restroom

### **Project Manager: Best Western International Inc. - 1998-2004**

Numerous Best Western Hotels including but not limited to, BW Montebello Hotel: Montebello, CA; Downtown Inn & Suites, Oxford, MS; The Inn at Longwood Medical, Boston, MA; BW Atlantic City Extended Stay & Suites, Pleasantville, NJ; BW Capitola-By-the-Sea Inn & Suites, Capitola, CA

### ***Published Work***

Arabella Hotel Featured in Boutique Design Magazine, October 2018

Chestnut Hill Hotel Featured in Bucks County Magazine, Fall 2014

Chestnut Hill Hotel Featured in Design Bureau Magazine, August 2013

### ***Education***

Bachelor of Science in Design: College of Architecture & Environmental Design, Arizona State University, Magna Cum Laude

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