

**Giovanna Galfione** practiced in Florence for 15 years, before moving to the USA in 1994. Her work focused on institutional, mixed-use, and social housing projects, primarily in the Florentine urban context and for both public and private clients. During her time in Italy she also started a collaboration with Rossiprodi Associates and continued from abroad for various projects and competitions. In 1996 she was a founding partner of RBGC - Architecture, Research, Urbanism - in Charlottesville, VA. She was lead designer for renovations, additions and new mixed-use infill buildings in Charlottesville's Historic Districts, as well as for residential Planned Unit Developments and community design projects with local developers and non-profit groups. In 2010 she designed the first certified Passive House in Virginia.

From 2013 to 2015 she has been on the faculty of the Tulane School of Architecture as Director of their Rome Program.

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