

Mimi Jong, who reflects many cultures, studied architecture and urban planning at Stuttgart University, Germany and traveled extensively, absorbing new cultural experiences. She explores diverse cultural expression through architecture, music, painting, poetry, calligraphy, feng shui, and most importantly, through people and friendship.

As an architect, her first assignment in Pittsburgh while employed by Astorino was the placement design of the Mayor Richard Caliguiri statue at the City-County Building. She was also responsible for the design of Pittsburgh Municipal Court and Pittsburgh Masonic Temple. In 1997, Mimi founded MLJ Architects, specializing in small projects, such as WAX Jewelry Design Studio in Shadyside, University of Pittsburgh Hillman Library Latin American Reading Room, and numerous residential design and additions.

Her involvement in music connects her with artists of a wide variety of genres, including jazz, folk, classical and global. Her primary passion is weaving cross cultural experience to nurture understanding between people. In addition to her own national and international performances, Mimi also produces concerts, inviting international musicians to meet, to share and to collaborate, as well as to facilitate educational programs through master classes and workshops.

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