

*A Collection of Transformative  
Interior Design Solutions*

# MARAYE DESIGN STUDIO

CASE STUDY PORTFOLIO

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# Designing for Impact: Transforming Spaces, Enriching Lives



Lannetta V. Knotts, President of  
Maraye Design Studio

## We meet or exceed our client's expectations:

"We enjoyed working with Lannetta on our project and she brought creativity, original ideas and a wealth of experience to our team. Students continue to enjoy the enhancements many years later that she developed."

-Vice President of Kent State University



**93%**  
repeat clients



**75%**  
public sector projects



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## ABOUT MARAYE DESIGN STUDIO

At Maraye Design Studio, we believe that great design does more than just create beautiful spaces—it influences how people engage with the world around them. Founded by Lannetta Knotts, our award-winning, Black-owned firm is committed to crafting dynamic, functional environments that foster learning, inspire creativity, and promote meaningful connections.

We take pride in delivering:

- ✔ Innovative interiors that tell a story
- ✔ On-time, on-budget project execution
- ✔ Thoughtful designs that enhance functionality

## WHO WE SERVE



Architects



K-12 & Higher  
Education



Commercial &  
Residential

## BENEFITS

### Benefits One

1

**FF&E Specialists** - Experts in preparing comprehensive Furniture, Fixtures, and Equipment (FF&E) packages tailored to client needs.

### Benefits Two

2

**Minority-Owned & Certified** - A Minority-Owned, Disadvantaged, Locally Economically Disadvantaged, and EDGE-Certified Woman-Owned firm.

### Benefits Three

3

**Innovative Design Approach** - Pushing the boundaries of design to craft spaces that work smarter, feel better, and inspire more.

# HAGERTY HALL CLASSROOM RENOVATIONS

- 📍 Location: The Ohio State University, Columbus, OH
- 📋 Scope: Transforming outdated classrooms into modern, accessible learning hubs.



## OBJECTIVES

Maraye Design Studio teamed with SPGB Architects to renovate classrooms and a lecture hall. The project included creating additional spaces for handicap accessibility, and improvements in room finishes, lighting, furniture, and technology.

### KEY FEATURES

- Revamped lecture hall for better acoustics and visibility
- Upgraded lighting and finishes for a sleek, sophisticated feel
- Furniture designed for collaboration and comfort
- ADA-compliant accessibility improvements



**BEFORE**



*"Hagerty Hall holds a special place in my journey as a designer. The original design I worked on at The Ohio State University in the late '90s. Nearly 20 years later, being invited back to renovate classrooms within the building was both an honor and a full-circle moment in my career."*

**Lannetta V. Knotts, NCIDQ**  
Maraye Design Studio



# EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION CENTER

📍 Location: Columbus State Community College, Columbus, OH

📋 Scope: Designing a nurturing, stimulating learning space for young minds.

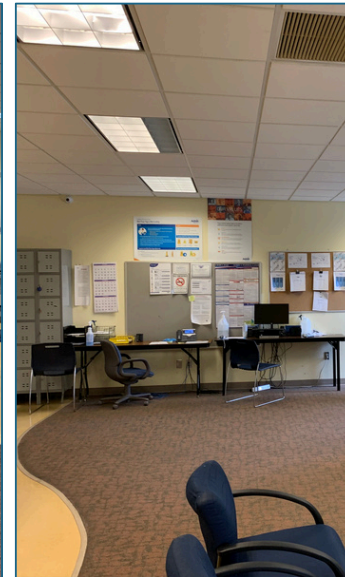


## OBJECTIVES

Maraye Design Studio collaborated with SHP Architects to provide interior design, space planning, and furniture selection and specification for the Early Childhood Education Center. Our focus was on creating a nurturing, engaging, and developmentally supportive environment that fosters learning and growth for young children.

## KEY FEATURES

- Bright, playful color schemes that energize and engage
- Kid-friendly, durable materials for safety and longevity
- Flexible classroom layouts to support active learning
- Modern, inviting common areas to foster connection and creativity



BEFORE



# NEW ACTIVITY CENTER

- 📍 Location: Mid-East Career & Technology Centers, Zanesville, OH
- 📋 Scope: Designing a cutting-edge activity center to support vocational training.



## OBJECTIVES

Maraye Design Studio partnered with V2 Architects to design and plan a new community activity center that supports vocational training programs and local athletics. The facility features a full basketball court, an indoor track, meeting rooms, and classroom spaces—creating a versatile environment for learning, recreation, and community engagement.

## KEY FEATURES

- Spacious, open-concept floor plan to accommodate dynamic learning
- Industry-grade infrastructure for technical training excellence
- Modern aesthetics & functional layouts for student engagement
- Versatile workspaces to inspire hands-on learning



# Real Results. Real Impact.

## Key metrics



**100%**

Minority Business Enterprise (MBE) and EDGE-certified, demonstrating commitment to diversity and inclusion.



**80%**

of projects are based in the Midwest, with 20% of services extended virtually nationwide.



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## MEASURABLE SUCCESS STORIES:

-  Increased **student engagement** in newly renovated classrooms
-  Boosted **collaboration & productivity** in redesigned learning spaces
-  Enhanced **community experience** in public and educational environments

## WHAT OUR CLIENTS SAY



*"Maraye Design Studio successfully navigated the bureaucracies of four units through effective communication with the administration and staff to find and manage the timeline of our relocation"*

*-Dean at Ohio University*



*"Maraye Design Studio didn't just design our space—they transformed it into an experience. They managed complex aspects of the project well."*

*-Director of Kent State University*



*"Lannetta is bright, articulate, and professional, and is always patient with clients and users. On the design side, I found her sensibilities to be on point and centered. She does not offer designs that are too trendy or lack responsiveness to the context."*

*-FAIA Principal of an architecture firm*

## RECOGNIZED DESIGN EXCELLENCE

- **Recognized for Innovation:** Projects have been featured in The Columbus Magazine, Architectural Record, Columbus CEO, and Interiors & Sources for groundbreaking educational interiors.
- **Media Spotlight:** Highlighted in The Columbus Dispatch for innovation in educational interior design.
- **Award-Winning Design:** Recipient of three AUID awards for excellence in interior design.
- **Sustainable Excellence:** Successfully designed four LEED-certified projects, demonstrating a commitment to sustainability and high-performance interiors.

# Why Work With Maraye Deign Studio?

✔ **A Fresh, Visionary Approach** - We create spaces that inspire and innovate. Combining a client-centered approach with a commitment to excellence, Maraye Design Studio delivers tailored solutions that meet the unique needs of each project.

✔ **Unmatched Attention to Detail** - No element is overlooked. Every finish, every fixture, every design choice is intentional. We are experienced across various sectors, including education, commercial, and residential projects.

✔ **Client-Centered Collaboration** - We listen. We strategize. We deliver. Emphasizing close collaboration with clients to ensure that design solutions align with their vision and goals.

This case study PDF isn't just about our past projects—it's an invitation to create something exceptional together. Whether you're designing a state-of-the-art classroom, an inspiring library, or a groundbreaking commercial space, Maraye Design Studio is your trusted partner in transforming environments that matter.

🚀 Let's build your vision today.

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