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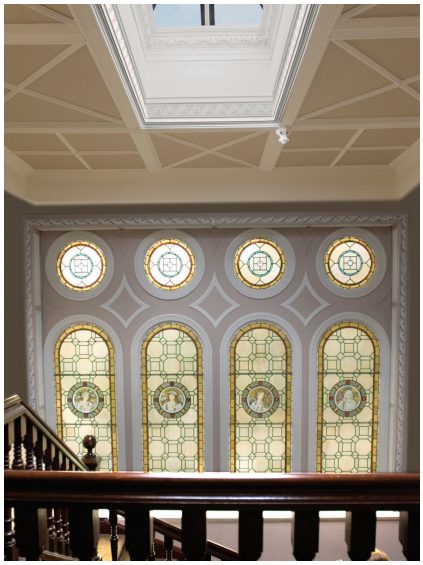
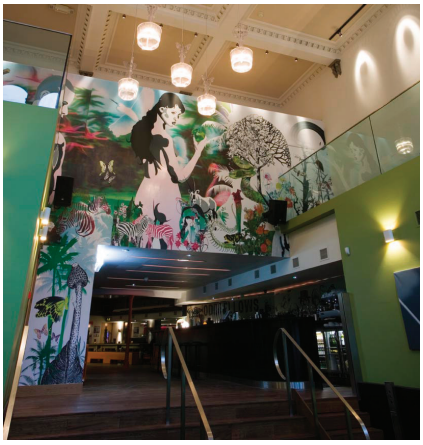
Kelly Minion: Architectural Assistant / Building Conservator

Year of Qualification: 2005

Date joined Practice: 2005

Qualifications: MSc in Architecture Conservation, BArch, AdvDip. Architectural Building & Planning.

Background and Experience:

Kelly's Masters in Architectural Conservation has led to her involvement in many of the refurbishment and conversion projects undertaken by the practice, including conducting historical analysis and material surveys used as supporting information to feasibility studies.

- Project Coordinator for the on-site phase of the conversion of the former St. George's West Edinburgh into a new church with flexible and multi-purpose facilities for Charlotte Baptist Chapel.
- Project Coordinator for a new build church in Monifieth. The project will create a purpose built facility for the congregations of three existing churches.
- Project Assistant for two projects for the University of Edinburgh, for the refurbishment of the Cafeteria at the ECA and the accessibility improvements to the Ashworth Laboratories. Kelly provided technical support to both projects, undertaking the Builing Warrant applications and liaising closely with the design team to ensure the design proposals were suitable co-ordinated.
- Project Coordinator for Humbie Hub, East Lothian. The project involved the complete restoration and reconfiguration of the original village shop and house, extending and refurbishing the accommodation to enlarge the shop and establish a community café/bistro, a unit for small businesses and other flexible community spaces. Additionally, the building's ecological impact was looked at by establishing onsite rain water attenuation, biomass district heating and Solar power generation.
- Working with specialist stone conservator Bob Heath and liaising with Historic Scotland conducted historical analysis and material survey of an 18th century property in Dunbar.
- Carried out detail surveys of existing construction for the University of Edinburgh to facilitate the 'like for like' replacement of historic building fabric following receipt of appropriate approvals.
- Designer and Project Coordinator for the alteration and extension to the Murrayfield Hotel, Edinburgh. The project involved the construction of a new link between to two existing Victorian properties, alterations to the existing dining room, formation of new bedrooms with modern facilities within the existing fabric and the construction of a new wing in the grounds.
- Project Designer for the conversion of the Grade B listed Oddfellow's Hall in Edinburgh into a public house, including the reconfiguration of the adjoining properties to improve access.
- Architectural Assistant as part of the team on new build housing for Housing Associations at Lasswade Road, West Granton Road and Boswall Parkway. These scheme comprises a mix of housing types, including flats, 2/3 bedroom houses and amenity accommodation.