

ARCHITECTURAL BEAUTY:

HOW SHEET METAL DESIGNS ARE MADE INTO REALITY

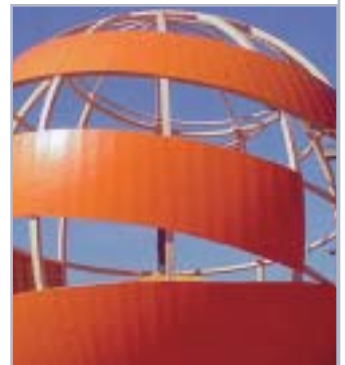
Every architectural project is different. Many use sheet metal. And every architectural sheet metal project is . . . different! How do these creative designs go from the architect's brain and his/her creations on paper into living, breath-taking, three-dimensional reality?

When designers, owners, and their construction agents need the best answer to that question, they call on contractors who work with the SMWIA-SMACNA team. SMWIA—the Sheet Metal Works International Association; SMACNA—the Sheet Metal and Air Conditioning Contractors National Association.

On these four pages, you'll find designs brought to life by highly trained artisans working for contractors who sometimes must be almost as creative as the designers. These workers and managers use their brains and experience to bend, wrestle, and “manhandle” reality into something that will be admired for decades.

Ultimately, by applying this knowledge and ability, they overcome the many hurdles they encounter in taking a brilliant concept from paper and making it real.

Such talent, ability, and experience can be found only at http://www.smacna.org/directory/memberbylocation/directory_location.cfm. There, after selecting a state, you can choose to search only for architectural contractors. If desired, you can also obtain a list of local SMWIA unions at www.smwia.org. ▶





“We shape our
buildings:
thereafter they
shape us”

—Sir Winston Churchill







“THE PHYSICIAN CAN
BURY HIS MISTAKES,
BUT THE ARCHITECT
CAN ONLY ADVISE
HIS CLIENTS TO
PLANT VINES.”

—Frank Lloyd Wright

