



Zib Gotto Head of Interior Design BA (Hons)



Zib joined Saunders Boston in 2014. Over the past 20 years, Zib has worked in a wide range of sectors in Cambridge, London and Melbourne Australia. Her wide-ranging experience, technical expertise and creative vision combine to generate unique designs with optimum functionality.



Zib's ethos – building interiors need to exceed the aspirations of the users, be welcoming, futureproof and robust at the same time as being inexpensive to maintain. Zib believes that, through thorough understanding of the Client's requirements and a collaborative approach to innovation across the project team, interior environments can be tailored to optimise operational efficiencies, enhance the wellbeing of occupants, increase productivity and co-operation as well as boost creativity.

Relevant Experience:

Office of Post-doctoral Affairs – This £1.3M+ facility forms a focal point of the world-leading living & working facility on the University of Cambridge's new 'Eddington' development. It offers a flexible working environment alongside a versatile social, learning and conference facility including a 220 seat lecture theatre.

The Mill - £400k high quality, sustainable fit out of Brookgate's offices in the iconic Spiller's Mill building at the heart of CB1 combining an office and showroom. Works included the addition of a 55m² mezzanine with glazed frontage to retain the open feel, volume and character of the space whilst providing the acoustic separation necessary for confidential meetings.

ARU New Science Building - The new £25m 'Science Centre' brings together teaching spaces with staff and lecture facilities

including a 200 place 'Super-laboratory'. This new way of teaching allows multiple disciplines to be taught in conjunction with each other.

University of Cambridge Greenwich House – Relocation of 500 staff from 8 different departments involving of a full refurbishment, a new mezzanine floor, a new entrance lobby and link building. The works were successfully value engineered from £7m to £5m (FF&E value engineered from £700k to £365k) without compromising quality.

Sapphire Ice & Leisure Centre – £30m New build facility in Romford for London Borough of Havering. The scheme included a regional short course swimming pool, learner pool (with moving floor), fitness suite and national ice rink.

"A huge thank you, for the excellent design and management of these projects, there were lots of complex areas which were over two sites and we are receiving some truly wonderful feedback and I am so appreciative of your continuous desire to achieve the very best for us. The feedback from staff and students has been amazing, like none I have ever heard at the College and the colours are a real talking point and bring such vibrancy to the environment. Thank you so much."
Natalie Gilbert (Facilities Manager) Colchester Institute

