

The Greene School Names Carlo Ratti as Design Consultant

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Renowned architect collaborates with Arquitectonica on brand-new West Palm Beach school

The Greene School, Palm Beach County's newest educational

option for high-performing students, announces the addition of prominent architect **Carlo Ratti** to collaborate with acclaimed Miami firm Arquitectonica on the design of the brand-new school. Construction of the state-of-the-art, 20,000-square-foot school is underway at 2001 South Dixie Highway in West Palm Beach.

An architect and engineer by training, Professor Ratti leads the Carlo Ratti Associati studio in Turin, Italy, and teaches at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT), where he directs the Senseable City Lab. His work has been exhibited in several venues worldwide, including the Venice Biennale, the MoMA in New York City, and the Science Museum in London. He has been

included in Wired Magazine's 'Smart List: 50 people who will change the world', and he is currently serving as Chair of the World Economic Forum Global Agenda Council on Future Cities.

"Carlo Ratti is one of the leading design minds in the world," said Jeff Greene, founder of The Greene School. "He has a keen understanding of how to create cutting-edge educational facilities. Carlo's involvement is another example of how we are scouring the globe to assemble the brightest minds for each component of The Greene School."

Plans for the school include the complete interior renovation of the former Mazda dealership located on the project site and the construction of a soccer field, tennis courts and organic garden behind the school building.

The school will be open for its inaugural academic year in September 2016 to Pre-K, kindergarten, first and second graders. Dr. Nan Wodarz has been hired as Founding Head of School after serving as Head of the Sage School for gifted students near Boston. Additional faculty and staff members will be announced in the coming weeks.

Interest from prospective students has been strong since The Greene School was publicly announced less than a month ago. The inaugural 2016-17 academic year has already reached double-digit enrollment.

About The Greene School: Conceived by Palm Beach residents and philanthropists Jeff and Mei Sze Greene, The Greene School operates with the mission to empower high-performing students from preschool through eighth grade to be

adaptive, confident and productive stewards of an evolving world. The school pairs innovative teaching methods with new digital communication tools to form a network of connective, creative learners. Located at 2001 South Dixie Highway in West Palm Beach, The Greene School is presently accepting applications for students in Pre-K, kindergarten, first and second grades for the upcoming academic year beginning in September 2016.

Jeff and Mei Sze Greene have dedicated substantial time and resources to philanthropic causes, including a commitment to The Giving Pledge, in which the world's wealthiest individuals and families dedicate the majority of their wealth to charity. Jeff Greene, who holds a Bachelor of Arts degree from Johns Hopkins University and Master of Business Administration from Harvard Business School, is the founder of The Greene Institute, a nonprofit dedicated to finding, developing and promoting strategies for increasing upward mobility in America. The Institute recently hosted a three-day conference titled "Closing the Gap: Solutions For An Inclusive Economy."

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