



SVA International: Celebrating 78 Years

SVA International was established in 1943 as Stauch and Partners by the well-known and influential Bauhaus trained architect, Hellmut Stauch.

Today, 78 years later, SVA International has steadily grown into a leading national practice with offices in Cape Town, Johannesburg, Durban and Port Elizabeth and contributing as a level 1 B-BBEE company. Our 75+ staff compliment is made up of professional architects, project managers and urban designers, supported by experienced administrative staff in each region.

In 2021, our current management team proudly steered the company toward obtaining its Level 1 B-BBEE Certification. Together with our Level 1 B-BBEE partners, GIBB Engineering, we are dedicated to transformation within the building industry in South Africa.

Our footprint across the African continent has rapidly expanded over the last 15 years, with strong client relationships and completed projects in numerous African cities. This is proof of our vision statement: "To be the preferred architectural practice in Africa, offering an inclusive design led service, while providing creative and viable solutions for our clients."

The practice offers a comprehensive range of services under urban design and architecture, including architectural project management, with recent award-winning projects illustrating SVAi's commitment to quality design and long-term beneficial relationships with each of our clients.

Most recently SAPOA awarded SVAi with the following recognition: SAPOA Award for Innovative Excellence in the Retail Development - Small Boutique Category, Constantia Emporium (2020), and SAPOA Transformation Award, CTICC2 (2019), and the SAPOA Office Refurbishments Award, 33 Baker Street (2019).

The ongoing COVID-19 pandemic has encouraged SVAi to develop hybrid work-from-home solutions for our management and staff, ensuring ongoing high-levels of project production and delivery. When safe and appropriate, face-to-face design workshops and client meetings still happen at our shared SVAi/GIBB regional offices.

On the road towards digital transformation, SVAi remains dedicated to our pursuit to be at the forefront of BIM technology, and the structuring of project teams and project delivery via REVIT and associated software. In-house training ensures that staff remain upskilled in the latest design and production platforms.

Our national leadership team remains focused on regional talent development within the company, with the ambition to facilitate professional careers, structuring skilled and stable production teams, and cultivate thought-leaders within our professional fields.

Our mission remains: LEAD | BUILD | DESIGN



CONSTANTIA EMPORIUM
2020 SAPOA Award for Innovative Excellence in
Retail Development, Small Boutique Category



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Constantia Emporium, Cape Town

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