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Mackenzie Launches New Laboratory Planning and Design Practice and Welcomes Industry Veteran Genie Filipowicz

PORTLAND, Ore. – Mackenzie is pleased to announce the launch of a new Laboratory Planning and Design practice led by new hire Genie Filipowicz as Senior Laboratory Planner. The practice expands the firm's ability to support clients with specialized lab programming, planning, and design services across a wide range of research, education, healthcare, public safety, and advanced technology environments.

With nearly four decades of experience in the lab planning field, Filipowicz has designed laboratories across industry and market types, including private, public, and federal clients. Working closely with scientists, architects, engineers, and faculty, she translates big-picture research goals into highly functional laboratory spaces that support scientific discovery, innovation, and operational excellence.

Filipowicz began her career under the mentorship of Earl Walls, a pioneer of the laboratory planning profession. Alongside Jonas Salk and architect Louis Kahn, Walls designed the laboratories at the Salk Institute for Biological Studies in La Jolla, San Diego. This legacy of passion and disciplined creativity has helped inspire Filipowicz's career.

Filipowicz's expertise spans the full project lifecycle, from visioning and programming through design and implementation. By connecting institutional vision to the detailed requirements of lab operations, she helps clients create facilities that are safe, efficient, adaptable, and positioned for long-term success. Her deep experience bolsters Mackenzie's capabilities in life sciences, physical sciences, healthcare, forensic disciplines, and advanced technology sectors. Projects range from renovations and facility modernization efforts to new research, teaching, and testing facilities.

The launch of the practice reflects growing needs for specialized planning expertise as organizations invest in research, technological advancement, and scientific discovery. The new service complements Mackenzie's unified design approach, providing clients with integrated support from project inception through occupancy. Whether partnering directly with owners or collaborating as a consultant for other design firms, Mackenzie's lab planning and design services offer specialized guidance on programming, space planning, user engagement, instrumentation integration, and operational workflows.

"I've always been inspired by the opportunity to help organizations pursue meaningful research and discovery," said **Genie Filipowicz, Mackenzie Senior Laboratory Planner**. "Scientists are incredibly passionate about their work, whether they're advancing cancer research, studying neurological diseases, or solving other complex matters that challenge humanity. When researchers walk into a laboratory you've designed and tell you it's exactly what they need, you know you've made an important contribution."

"Genie brings an exceptional combination of technical lab planning expertise and strategic thinking to Mackenzie," said **Principal Alison Hoagland**. "Her energy and passion are already catalyzing collaboration in our team and with our clients. We're excited to expand our services in laboratory planning and design, and we look forward to helping more organizations realize their vision for research, innovation, and discovery."

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