

# Alex Miller-Cole

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## Summary of Professional Qualifications

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- Multi-lingual Interior Architect with formal training in Architecture and a rich background in historic residential restoration, renovation, additions and new construction projects.
- High profile, new construction projects and extensive renovations include several multimillion dollar estates in most sought-after San Francisco Bay Area and Peninsula neighborhoods as well as historic restorations in West Oakland.
- Fluent in English, Spanish and French; Comprehensive experience working as project manager interacting with subcontractors and professionals with diverse ethnic and educational backgrounds.
- Studied Architecture: University of Guadalajara, Mexico. Continuing education: UC Berkeley post-baccalaureate Interior Architecture and Interior Design Program.

## Notable Professional Accomplishments

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- Founded and managed Alex Cole Inc., the only high-end graphic design and marketing firm dedicated exclusively to promoting world-class real estate in the Greater San Francisco Bay Area.
- Founder and CEO of Cypress One Properties, an Oakland-based firm dedicated to acquiring, restoring and managing West Oakland historic properties to rent back to native West Oaklanders; providing the highest quality of housing to low and moderate income families, thereby slowing gentrification.
- 1996 - 2001: Worked with Ms. Malin Giddings, a member of the Swedish Royal Court and a San Francisco Real Estate Agent retaining the Top Sales Award for all of Coldwell Banker nation- and world-wide.
- 2001- 2005: Through Alex Cole, Inc., developed distinctive and successful marketing campaigns for companies such as Sotheby's International Realty, TRI Realtors, The Grubb Co. and Coldwell Banker.
- 2005 - 2006: Conducted and managed the restoration of 2820 Scott Street, San Francisco, from a residential hotel back to a single-family dwelling. The house was last remodeled to host Crown Princess Marie of Romania in 1914. The home transferred hands and was featured as the 2008 San Francisco Decorator Showcase selling for an all-time record of \$32,000,000.
- 2005: Was granted the honor of working with the Livermore Family, founding members of Pacific Gas and Electric Co., through an extensive renovation and period-appropriate refurbishing of 1023 Vallejo, the last Julia Morgan residence to transfer hands from the original family it was built for. In 2005, the house was sold to Mr. Hal Riney, legendary Bay Area Media Designer.
- 2004: Directed the restoration and the refurbishing of 1015 Vallejo, designed by acclaimed American Architect Willis Polk as his personal residence.
- 2003: Supervised pre-sale restorations and staging of No. 1 Sea Cliff, Sharon Stone's San Francisco home, originally built as Mr. & Mrs. Hearst's beach retreat. Home was featured in Architectural Digest Magazine.

## Volunteer Work and Community Service

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- 2011 to present: Founder of i-Work, Inc., a not-for-profit corporation dedicated to closing the gap between training, education and employment in West Oakland.
- 2011: Conducted a comprehensive survey of Blight and Assets in West Oakland. Data is being used by City officials and community organizations to improve the lives of our neighbors.
- 2009 to present: San Pablo Corridor Coalition (SPC2)  
Vice-Chair at large. Became Chair in 2010. Chair, Beautification and Sustainability Committee.
- 2011 to present: Co-Chair, Neighborhood Crime Prevention Council (NCPC), Beat 7x.
- 2006 to present: Member, West Oakland Neighbors.
- 2010 to present: Park Steward, St. Andrew's Plaza. Was awarded a \$75,000 grant to renovate the Plaza.
- 2010 to present: Member, Oakland Parks Coalition (OPC).
- West Oakland advocate and community organizer.

## Philanthropy and Community Investment

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- The Miller-Cole family gifts over \$10,000 dollars per year to fund beautification and community education in West Oakland.
- Between 2001 and 2011 The Miller-Cole Family has invested over \$2,000,000 in West Oakland.
- Alex continues to bring other investors to the area whose combined investment exceeds \$5,000,000.