



KRYSTAL DESIGN AWARD GRADUATION COMPETITION

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PRIZES & OPPORTUNITIES:

\$10,000



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ABOUT KDA

Krystal Design Awards (KDA) is more than a competition.
It is a global stage for the brightest emerging minds in
Architecture
Interior Design
Urban Design



We believe that graduation is not an end, it is a beginning. It is the exact moment when years of study, and countless sketches transform into a single, powerful statement: a graduate's final project. Yet too often, these extraordinary works are seen by a handful of professors, then archived & forgotten.

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KDA EXISTS TO CHANGE THAT

WE FIND THE WORLD'S MOST OUTSTANDING GRADUATION PROJECTS AND SHOWCASING THEM TO AN INTERNATIONAL JURY OF LEADING ACADEMICS AND TOP-TIER ARCHITECTS. WE CROWN CREATIVITY. WE LAUNCH CAREERS. WE REMIND THE WORLD THAT THE FUTURE OF DESIGN IS ALREADY HERE, IT IS WAITING TO BE RECOGNIZED GLOBALLY.



DISCOVER

Emerging Top Global Talent

EMPOWER

Students with leading architects,
mentorship and opportunities.

ELEVATE

Graduation projects
to global portfolios

OUR MISSION

We aren't just recognizing talent,
we are creating a bridge that enhance it.

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Evokes clarity, brilliance, and precision, the hallmarks of exceptional design. It represents the rare moment when a student's vision becomes perfectly clear, refined, and ready for the world.

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Is our pledge. Not to simply judge, but to celebrate. Not to rank, but to elevate. We place a crown on the most creative work of a new generation, and in doing so, we inspire every participant to reach higher.

"KDA is for the **bold**, the **curious**, the **relentless**.
If you have something to say through your design,
We want to make it shine."

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GRADUATION COMPETITION

Time, Place & Belonging.



THIS COMPETITION IS BUILT ON TIME, PLACE & **BELONGING**, IT CALLS FOR DESIGN BORN FROM DIALOGUE BETWEEN A PLACE AND ITS PEOPLE, ACROSS PAST, PRESENT, AND FUTURE. IT VALUES **DEEP-ROOTED THINKING**, PROJECTS INSEPARABLE FROM THEIR CLIMATE, MATERIALS, AND SOCIAL FABRIC. ARCHITECTURE IS A **CARRIER OF CULTURE & SIGNIFICANCE**, EMBRACING THE SOCIAL PROJECT FOR PEOPLE, EQUITY, AND COMMON GOOD.

IT SHAPES MEMORY AND CREATES EXPERIENCE, SPACES THAT LEAVE LASTING IMPRESSIONS. AUTHENTIC EXPRESSION IS KEY: A BUILDING THAT BREATHES ITS **COUNTRY'S LANGUAGE**, GROUNDED IN REAL SOCIAL CONTEXTS, THROUGH STORYLINE AND **IDENTITY INTERPRETATION**.





"CREATING A **TIME-LESS** DESIGN, YET A
TIME-FULL EXPERIENCE"

- KRYSTAL VALUE



TIME-LESS DESIGN

Means the design will still look great and function efficiently 100+ years from now. It is not a fashion, it is a legacy.

TIME-FULL EXPERIENCE

Means the design engages deeply with the past, present, and future of its location.



PAST

It understands the history, culture, and memory of the place. Not to copy, but to inform.

PRESENT

It responds to current life situations, problems, needs, and social contexts.

FUTURE

It gives greater meaning to the place, shaping memory and creating lasting experience for generations to come.

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WE ASK PARTICIPANTS TO
DESIGN ARCHITECTURE,
URBAN SPACES, OR
INTERIORS THAT ARE:

Timeless in their beauty,
function, and significance



Full of experience a design
that breathes its country's
language and identity

Deep-rooted in their site,
culture, and community

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WORLD CLASS JURY

ACADEMICS
PRACTICE

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GRADUATION COMPETITION

THE KRYSTAL JURY



WE BELIEVE THAT THE MOST MEANINGFUL COMPETITIONS ARE JUDGED BY THOSE WHO SHAPE THE FIELD. THAT IS WHY WE HAVE STRUCTURED OUR JURY AS A BALANCED PANEL OF **UNIVERSITY PROFESSORS** AND **TOP ARCHITECTS** FROM WORLD-RENOWNED OFFICES WORLD-WIDE, ENSURING THAT EVERY SUBMISSION IS EVALUATED WITH BOTH ACADEMIC RIGOR AND PROFESSIONAL INSIGHT.

OUR JURY MEMBERS COME FROM;

 **NAGA**  **BIG**  **ZHA**  **Gensler**

 **UNS** United Network Studio



 **SOM** RIBA CITYUHK



Architectural Association School of Architecture

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Enrico Mendini
Architetto
 con gli
 Alessandri
 Lorenzini

Da sinistra:
 il design
 italiano
 degli anni
 '50
 l'aspirante
 geniale, lo
 scetticismo
 moderno

Ma la critica
 radicale
 è venuta
 anche da noi

With more than 20 years of experience, he is a senior architect and urban designer dedicated to creating innovative, timeless designs that redefine urban environments. He holds a PhD from University of Pennsylvania and 3 masters degrees and leads a multidisciplinary practice spanning architectural, interior design, landscape and urban planning.

He is also the founder of **TECH Holding**, a real estate company focused on high-quality industrial developments in South America and the U.S.



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projects. Beyond publication possibilities, Robert Lorenz is Deputy Professor at the *Wissenschaftszentrum für Soziologie (WZL)*, contributing to the organization of "Jahresgespräche" through lectures, workshops, and international exchange visits. His office is at *Stadler-Universität Wetzlar* and *Oxford Brookes University*.

Mr. Gilling has 25 years of international experience with leading studios including BSA, Deutscher Pfundtner Architects, MKO, Dodge Studio, MVRDV & Jansen Architecture.

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FOR THE FUTURE



Harrison Fung is a Partner and Senior Architect at UMS and Managing Director of UMS Shanghai and Hong Kong. With over 30 years of experience, he specializes in an integrated approach to design and construction, delivering distinctive projects through material innovation, complex geometries and advanced building processes. He leads multidisciplinary teams across Asia, balancing design excellence with strategic business objectives.

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Associate of 2HA - Zohar Models Architects
PhD, MSc, MArch, Interior Design, AIA, AIAA, AA



holding qualifications in architecture, civil engineering, construction law or nature-imposed design, the prize is a multidisciplinary approach to complex architectural challenges. For award-winning research explores how architecture can operate as a regenerative system, actively contributing to the restoration of natural environments.

Professor | Senior Curriculum
Member Plant Land of Garden



Differenza fra **Solo**, **PAC** in Architecture
and Urban Design from **Milwaukee**
Politecnico della Morte e il **member's**
in architecture from **Penn State University** e la
Galleria **Magnum** di architettura dal
Univerville degli Stati Uniti di **Alessandro**
Cristi Pizzaro

With thirty three decades of experience, Sir John is a professional architect and a successful business leader in Hong Kong and since 2012 in the world where he has been a member of the board of directors of the Hong Kong Exchanges and Clearing Co. Ltd. Sir John is also a member of the Council of Directors of Shanghai Group and Vice of Chinese / Urban Design of Dalian Shuang. He is currently serving as a member of the Hong Kong International Design Commission and awards in numerous and various work including the 2010 Republic of China Architectural Award.

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Director of Strategic Development APAC, SOAS | Phila.
Professor, CityUHK | International Road Show 2015-16

A black and white portrait of a man with dark hair, wearing a dark suit jacket over a dark shirt. He is smiling slightly and looking towards the camera. The background is a textured, light-colored wall.

Dr. Arup Dennis He is Director of Strategic Development, APAC at Hillier, Owling & Merrill (HOM), and a Chartered Fellow at RIBA. Dennis brings extensive global experience as a UK chartered architect, urban designer and city planner. He leads multidisciplinary developments focused on regenerative and sustainable placemaking, strengthening civil society and improving quality of life. His background spans architecture, planning, engineering, and sustainability. Previously he held senior roles at Richard Rogers Partnership, Arup, and Haseell.

Active in both professional and academic circles, Dennis is an Adjunct Professor at City University of Hong Kong, an Honorary Chair of the RIBA Hong Kong Chapter, and a trustee of Design Climate Place. His award-winning project "Garden Over Station" was exhibited in the Venice Architecture Biennale 2021. He serves as a jury for major international awards and speaks frequently at global symposiums and conferences.

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THE KRYSTAL JURY




KDA JUROR
Founder of Mind Design
Co-founder of DOM World

MIROSLAV NASKOV

Mirosław is an architectural designer and visionary. Founder of **Mind Design** and Co-founder of **DOM World**, the journal of the **AA Design Research Lab (AADRL)** and formerly with **Zaha Hadid Architects (ZHA)** and **Populous**. He works tirelessly. Crafted intelligence, the convergence of craft, play, and AI.

His projects span a 5-star heritage hotel interior, bespoke residences, and visionary research such as the 2022 Olympic Village (winning the full site work that been selected to provide, bathroom, and an 11th floors). He has been awarded an AA Award for his work on the Zaha Hadid Gallery (as part of AADRL), a public building centre, and a new home.

MIROSLAV NASKOV, AIA, PhD
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KDA JUROR
Dean of Woxsen School of
Architecture and Planning

KOMAGAL ANUPAMA

Dr. Anupama is an Indian architect, designer, professional architect, and educator. She is currently working as the Dean of the **Woxsen School of Architecture & Planning, India**.

She has over 10 years of experience working in the field of architecture, design, and education. She has been a part of several international projects and has been involved in the design and construction of several buildings. She has also been a part of several research projects and has published several papers in the field of architecture and design.

She is also a member of the **Indian Institute of Architects (IIA)** and the **Indian Institute of Architects (IIA)**. She has been a part of several international projects and has been involved in the design and construction of several buildings. She has also been a part of several research projects and has published several papers in the field of architecture and design.

KOMAGAL ANUPAMA, AIA, PhD
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AMERICAN UNIVERSITY OF SHARJAH

KDA JUROR
Professor, IBSA
AUS (AA) (2021)

GEORGE KATODRYTIS

George Katodrytis is an architect, designer, professional architect, and educator. He is currently working as the Dean of the **American University of Sharjah (AUS)** since 2003 and Head of the Department of Architecture between 2012-2021. He studied and taught at the **Architectural Association School of Architecture (AA)**. He also taught at the **Bartlett School of Architecture, University College in London (UCL)**.

He has been a part of several international projects and has been involved in the design and construction of several buildings. He has also been a part of several research projects and has published several papers in the field of architecture and design.

GEORGE KATODRYTIS, AIA, PhD
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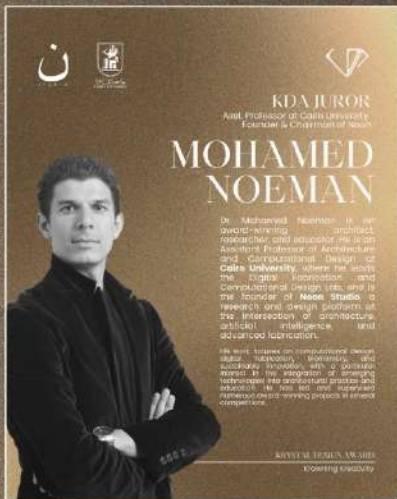
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ASSESSMENT CRITERIA



The jury will evaluate submissions based on the following criteria:

CRITERIA	WEIGHT	DESCRIPTION
Concept & Design Response	25%	Clarity of idea, originality, Story-telling "TIMELESS DESIGN, YET A TIME-FULL EXPERIENCE"
Contextual Understanding	20%	Sensitivity to site, climate, and culture "TIME, PLACE, AND BELONGING"
Innovation & Creativity	20%	Fresh thinking, risk-taking, and design exploration
Technical Resolution	15%	Materiality, structure, construction logic, feasibility
Presentation Quality	20%	Clarity of drawings , visualizations, and overall communication
Total	100%	Grade



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WHO CAN PARTICIPATE:

TIMELESS IDEAS
PASSIONATE PEOPLE
ENDLESS POSSIBILITIES



01

Fresh Graduates

(2024, 2025 & 2026)
Participate with their
Graduation Project

04

Bachelors & Masters

Bachelor Graduation Project
or Master Design Thesis
Project

02

Disciplines

Architecture,
Urban Design,
& Interior Design

03

Individual or teams

Collaborate , innovate
and bring ideas to life.

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THE KRYSTAL AWARDS



POOL PRIZE

10,000 USD

GUARANTEED FROM OUR NAGA ARCHITECTS



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THE KRYSTAL WINNERS 10,000 USD

EXCLUSIVE FROM OUR KRYSTAL SPONSOR:



1ST
PRIZE
3,000 USD

2ND
PRIZE
1,500 USD

3RD
PRIZE
1,000 USD

TOP
URBAN &
LANDSCAPE
500 USD

TOP
INTERIOR
DESIGN
500 USD

TOP
RESIDENTIAL
& HOUSING
500 USD

TOP
COMMERCIAL
& HOSPITALITY
500 USD

TOP
PUBLIC &
INSTITUTIONAL
500 USD

TOP
BIM &
TECHNICAL
500 USD

10 HONORABLE MENTIONS 150 USD EACH

TOP 50 - SHORTLIST CERTIFICATES

TOP 100 - LONGLIST CERTIFICATES

SCHOOL OF THE YEAR AWARD

SUPERVISOR OF THE YEAR AWARD

MONEY PRIZE WILL BE PAID BY OUR KRYSTAL SPONSOR NAGA ARCHITECTS
NAGA ARCHITECTS HAS FIRST RIGHT OF REFUSAL ON INTERNSHIP HIRING



COMPETITION TIMELINE



COMPETITION LAUNCH	SUBMISSION DEADLINE	WINNERS ANNOUNCEMENT
July 2026	15 Nov 2026	Jan 2027

REGISTRATION FEES

Early Registration: **25 USD** – 15 July till 31 August
Regular Registration: **35 USD** – 1 September till 31 October
Late Registration: **45 USD** – 1 November till Submission Deadline

INSTITUTIONAL SPONSORSHIP

Silver Sponsorship: **400 USD** – 10–20 Graduates
Gold Sponsorship: **800 USD** – 21–50 Graduates
Platinum Sponsorship: **1000 USD** – 51+ Graduates

Who can apply for the Institutional Sponsorship:

- The University itself with 1 person in charge
 - Graduates from the same batch & university with 1 person in charge
- Institutional Sponsors will be featured on our socials and media**

Refund Policy:

All registration fees are non-refundable. Once payment is completed, no refunds will be issued under any circumstances. Check all refund policy details on website

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REGISTRATION PROCESS

Register through our website: **KrystalDesignAward.com** in the Competitions tab



FOR INDIVIDUALS

1 PROJECT ENTRY FOR AN INDIVIDUAL

KDA GRADUATION COMPETITION

REGISTRATION DETAILS

\$30 - one registration code sent to your email

INDIVIDUAL GROUP

YOUR DETAILS

FULL NAME *	EMAIL *
Your full name	your@email.com
COUNTRY *	UNIVERSITY *
e.g. Egypt	University name
FACULTY *	GRADUATION YEAR *
e.g. Faculty of Architecture	Select year
TUTOR NAME *	PROJECT NAME *
Your tutor's name	Your project title

FOR 1 GROUP PROJECT

1 PROJECT ENTRY FOR A GROUP

KDA INNOVATION COMPETITION

REGISTRATION DETAILS

\$20 - one registration code sent to your email

Individual GROUP

YOUR DETAILS

FULL NAME *	EMAIL *
Your full name	your@email.com
COUNTRY *	UNIVERSITY *
e.g. Egypt	University name
FACULTY *	GRADUATION YEAR *
e.g. Faculty of Architecture	Select year
TUTOR NAME *	PROJECT NAME *
Your tutor's name	Your project title

GROUP MEMBERS

add the full names of each team member

FOR INSTITUTIONAL SPONSORSHIP

MULTIPLE ENTRIES, FOR A BATCH OF STUDENTS OF ONE UNIVERSITY OR 10+ STUDENTS OF THE SAME UNIVERSITY

KDA INSTITUTIONAL SPONSORSHIP

REGISTRATION DETAILS

\$300 flat - codes sent to each student individually

PERSON IN CHARGE

FULL NAME *	EMAIL *
Contact person's name	contact@university.edu

UNIVERSITY DETAILS

UNIVERSITY FULL NAME *	COUNTRY *
Full university name	e.g. Egypt
FACULTY *	GRADUATION BATCH YEAR *
e.g. Faculty of Architecture	Select year

STUDENTS

Each student will receive their own registration code by email after payment

Student full name	Student email
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PAYMENT PROCESS



PAYMENT

FILL PAYMENT DETAILS, AND PROCEED TO PAY

**Krystal Design Award**

Total Amount
USD 35.00

Billing Address:
ex. John Samuel Spain

Checkout

Payment method


Card

Card information

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MM/YY CVV

Cardholder Name
ex. John Samuel

Pay USD 35.00

CONFIRMATION - PROJECT CODE

AFTER PAYING, THE PROJECT CODE WILL BE SENT TO THE EMAIL(S)

Your payment has been confirmed. Your registration code is:

CONFIRMED REGISTRATION CODE
KDA26-0003

HOW TO SUBMIT YOUR PROJECT

Send your project file to:
info@krystaldesignaward.com

Use **KDA26-0003** as the subject line of your email.

Name your file **KDA26-0003** (e.g. *KDA26-0003.pdf*).

Maximum file size: **10 MB**

SUBMISSION LAYOUT



1 PDF (Size Limit 10MB) named by your project code, eg: KDA26-1234

That contains: **6 posters** (1080 X 1350 pixels, 150dpi) aspect ratio 4:5

Poster 1: Main Render

Poster 2: Shot, Texts, Diagrams & Render

Poster 3: Diagram/Render, Project Quote & Form Development

Poster 4: Architecture Drawings (Plans, Site, Elevations, Sections)

Poster 5: Texts, Diagrams, Sketches & Renders

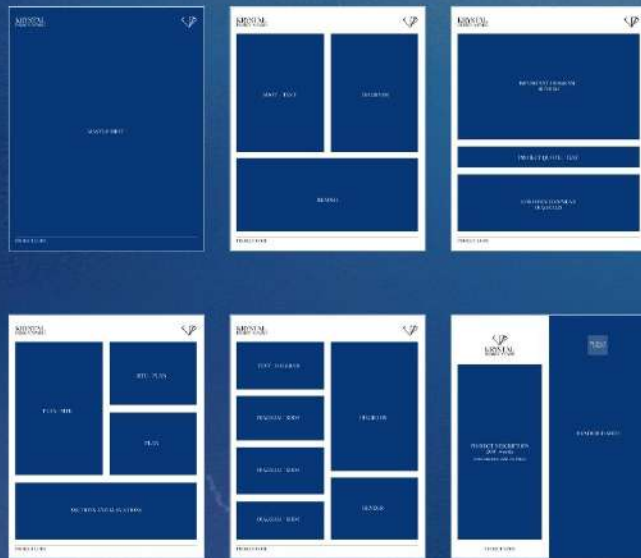
Poster 6: Project Description (200+ words), Project Logo, Render

Download the submission **Posters Layout**
from our website in the competitions tab:

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Submission: Send an email to **info@krystaldesignaward.com**

Subject: your Project Code, **Attach** the file named by your Project Code



RULES & REGULATIONS



#	Rules	Description
1	Anonymity	• Submissions must be anonymous. Use only your Project Code for identification. • No names, university logos, or identifying marks shall appear on posters or the design statement.
2	Language	• All submissions must be in English.
3	Originality & Plagiarism	• Submissions must be original student work. • Plagiarism is strictly prohibited. All submissions will be checked for originality. • Submissions found to contain plagiarised material will be disqualified without notification.
4	AI Policy	• AI tools may be used in a supportive capacity, such as for visualisation and presentation (rendering enhancement). • AI may not replace a participant's own design thinking, spatial reasoning, nor may it be used to generate floor plans, sections, concepts, etc. • Before announcing the winners they will be asked to provide Which AI tools, The specific purpose & extent of use, and Confirmation from their professor(s)
5	Confidentiality	• Participants shall keep their entries confidential until winners are announced. • Submissions must not be shared publicly before the official announcement.
6	Contact with	• Contact with jury members regarding your submission is strictly prohibited.
7	Changes to Schedule	• KDA reserves the right to modify competition schedules as needed. Participants will be notified of any changes.
8	Disqualification	• Submissions not adhering to competition rules or requirements will be disqualified. • Posters & presentation boards that do not comply with the submission requirements will be disqualified, regardless of the quality of the work.
9	Intellectual Property	• By participating, participants grant KDA a non-exclusive, royalty-free license to publish, exhibit, and promote winning and selected entries for competition-related purposes.



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OUR VISION OF CELEBRATING EXCELLENCE IN
DESIGN AND ARCHITECTURE.

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Start the relationship early, and earn trust that lasts a lifetime.

INVEST IN LEGACY

Support the future, build a legacy that outlasts any single project.

CAREER FOUNDATIONS

Be part of the first step that shapes a designer's entire professional journey.

**EMBED YOURSELF GLOBALLY IN THE DNA OF THE FUTURE TOP TALENTS,
BUILDING LOYALTY THAT LASTS A LIFETIME.**

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THE DESTINATION TO HIRE
GLOBAL TOP DESIGNERS

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ABOUT NAGA ARCHITECTS



NAGA ARCHITECTS HAS BUILT A PRESTIGIOUS AND RESPECTED NAME IN THE MIDDLE EAST'S ARCHITECTURE SCENE, STRIVING TO BECOME THE FIRST CHOICE OF PROPERTY DEVELOPERS ACROSS THE REGION AND, EVENTUALLY, THE WORLD. THE FIRM DELIVERS ATTRACTIVE DESIGNS THAT SUPPORT A QUALITY OF HOME AND COMMUNITY LIFE UNSURPASSED IN THE REGION. RATHER THAN PLACING MONEY BEFORE PEOPLE, NAGA DOES NOT COMPROMISE ON SERVICING THE NEEDS, EXPECTATIONS, AND DREAMS OF ITS CLIENTS, TAKING LEADERSHIP TO NEW LEVELS BY PROMOTING PROFESSIONALISM, BALANCED DESIGN, TECHNICAL COMPETENCY, APPLIED TECHNOLOGY, AND QUALITY IN SERVICE.



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DR. SHAMS ELDIEN NAGA



"WITH NAGA, ARCHITECTURE IS INTENTIONAL. DESIGN IS GUIDED BY A DISCIPLINED SYSTEM WHERE CREATIVITY, TECHNOLOGY, AND SUSTAINABILITY WORK AS ONE "

- DR. SHAMS ELDIEN NAGA

FOUNDER OF NAGA ARCHITECTS & DIB HOLDING
PROFESSOR | AIA FRIBA | NCARB | OAA

WE BELIEVE THAT A DIVERSE WORLD IS A MORE INTERESTING WORLD.

450+

DIVERSE PROJECTS

20+

DIFFERENT CITIES

500+

DIVERSE STAFF

27+

YEARS OF PRACTICE

15+

COUNTRIES WITH PROJECTS

HISTORY

NAGA ARCHITECTS WAS FOUNDED BY DR. SHAMS ELDIEN NAGA IN 2000 AND HAS EXPERIENCED STEADY GROWTH SINCE THEN. THE FIRM CURRENTLY EMPLOYS OVER A HUNDRED PROFESSIONALS OF DIVERSE CULTURAL, ETHNIC, AND RELIGIOUS BACKGROUNDS, DRAWN FROM THE MIDDLE EAST, ASIA, EUROPE, AND NORTH, CENTRAL, AND SOUTH AMERICA. WITH AN EQUALLY DIVERSE CLIENTELE, THE FIRM HAS COMPLETED PROJECTS THROUGHOUT THE MIDDLE EAST, EUROPE, AND THE US. DURING DUBAI'S CONSTRUCTION BOOM, IT DESIGNED A VARIETY OF LARGE COMMERCIAL AND MULTI-FAMILY DEVELOPMENTS.

NAGA ARCHITECTS IS AN AWARD-WINNING INDEPENDENT PRACTICE, MAINTAINING OVER EIGHT OFFICES ACROSS THE MIDDLE EAST & NORTH AMERICA, SERVICING CLIENTS THROUGHOUT THE ARCHITECTURAL, PLANNING, & CONSTRUCTION INDUSTRIES. ITS GLOBAL TEAM OF EXPERTS BRINGS PASSION AND INNOVATION TO THE BENEFIT OF ITS PROJECTS, WITH THE FIRM DEDICATED TO SUPPORTING ITS CLIENTS AND ENHANCING THEIR INVESTMENTS IN EVERY WAY POSSIBLE.

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PUBLISHING THE COMPETITIONS ON THEIR WEBSITE & SOCIALS

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TEAM

With representatives across Europe, Asia, Australia
Africa, & the USA, & a jury spanning multiple countries
KDA IS BUILT ON A TRULY GLOBAL FOUNDATION.



WE REACH THOUSANDS OF STUDENTS, GRADUATES, ACADEMICS,
AND PROFESSIONALS ACROSS 30+ COUNTRIES, FROM ASIA TO
AMERICA, FROM EUROPE TO AFRICA. **THAT'S THE SCALE OF KDA**

GLOBAL
 IMPACT

KDA UNIVERSAL TEAM COME FROM



Architectural Association
School of Architecture



THE UNIVERSITY OF
MELBOURNE



POLITECNICO
MILANO 1863



MOHOLY-NAGY
művészeti egyetem
university of art and
design budapest



USC University of
Southern California



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LECTURES & TV

- **Archit Seminar - Alexandria University** 2022
Talk about my experience in ZHA and "Sustainable Stations" the project we worked on in Venice.
- **TV - Egypt's National Channel** 2024
Talk show about Architecture and winning in TSDP Competitions.
- **TV - Talk show with Dr Ghada El Khayat** 2024
Talk show about my Thesis project for winning 1st prize for WAD & Engineers Syndicate Competition.
- **Code to Concrete - German International University (GIU)** 2025
Presented a Lecture and Workshop about Skyscrapers, showcasing UNS Towers with UNS-BK & SHA Director Garet Ewing and my personal Tower projects.
- **Create to Compete - Cairo University** 2025
Lecture about competitions and my previous competition Entries, Tamayouz & We are Design.
- **The Design Race - Pharos University** 2025
Talk about my previous work and architectural competition Entries in Pharos Award, Scientific Day.
- **Designing Impact - Helwan University** 2026
Talk about my design and previous work with renowned offices and Architecture Competitions.
- **Shaping The Skyline - German International University (GIU)** 2026
Talk about my skyscrapers design and previous work with renowned offices and competition Entries.
- **Tamayouz Seminar - Round of lectures in Multiple Egyptian Universities** 2026
Talk about the importance of competitions and previous competition entries with Tamayouz.

COMPETITIONS

- **Residential Project in China (with UNS)** 1st Prize 2024
Residential Entry that inspired by the story around the site.
- **Musculin (with UNS)** Pending 2025
Tech company Headquarters.
- **Metamorphosis (with UNS)** Top 3: Pending 2025
Multigenerational Theater, Hotel & Business District.
- **Hong Kong Retail Project (with UNS)** 2nd Prize 2025
Retail Project, Theater, Jewelry, Furniture & Fashion Design.
- **Tamayouz - Design Award (with UNS)** Shortlisted: Top 20 2024 & 2024
The New Urban Waterfront - Pavilion of Beni.
- **Engineers Syndicate Egypt** 1st Prize 2025
Architectural Thesis Project.
- **We Are Design - Graduation Projects Talent Fair** 1st Prize 2022
Simulation, Process, Competition.
- **Design - Architect's Home Extension** 4th Prize 2023
Metamorphic Design.
- **IBU - Digital Sustainable Future** 5th Prize 2023
Entrepreneurship in Architecture.
- **Tamayouz - Graduation Projects Award** Shortlisted 2023
Graduation Projects.
- **Charlotte - Starchitect's Choice** Shortlisted 2022
Chair Design Competition.
- **Keller Lusser Competition** 2022
Charlotte's Home in Africa.
- **Lourenço - Odebi Design Award** Honorable Mention 2021
Residential Design Competition.
- **VBE - Nordic Competition** Shortlisted 2020
Youth Hub in Residential neighborhood in Cairo.

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Top of Class 5 years Bachelor degree from the Faculty of Fine Arts, Alexandria University where this final 2 years equivalent to a Master of Architecture. I am currently a licensed architect. My academic work was published in prestigious venues like Khaled University, Helwan Grand Karam UN, Graduate awards for my Thesis Project.

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